UEFA Champions League qualifiers move into the second qualifying phase from tonight and PSV Eindhoven are looking to emulate their path. Marc van Bommel’s team will be looking to emulate the path that compatriots Ajax Amsterdam took in last season’s Champions League. They also entered in the second qualifying round and went through three ties to reach the group stage. Then they went all the way to the semi-final with Juventus and Real Madrid among the teams they conquered in a surprise run.

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He made a winning start last weekend, easily winning the Super Cup clash against cup winners KV Mechelen with a handsome 3-0 victory in their own stadium. They will be home again this Friday for the first match of the season, which could be a comfortable outing against KV Kortrijk.

The big focus, however, will be on giants Anderlecht. They are now being captained and coached by Vincent Kompany, who will continue playing as well after bringing his time at Manchester City to a close. They finished a disappointing fifth last season, but are still the most successful side in Belgian soccer history. Their record of 34 titles is more than double that of Bruges’, and Standard Liege’s 10.

Anderlecht’s opening game this season is at home to Oostende on Sunday. Across the border in the Netherlands, the new league season kicks off with the Super Cup between league and cup winners as Ajax Amsterdam take on PSV Eindhoven on Saturday. The game is at Ajax’s home, the Johan Cruyff Stadium in Amsterdam.

Ajax did the double last season, coming from behind to usurp PSV in the league and then easily beating Willem II in the Dutch cup final in May. PSV were league runners-up and that is why they are in the Super Cup. To take a bet, go to www.bettingworld.co.za or www.tabonline.co.za or www.soccer6.co.za.
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**Real Madrid v Arsenal**

- **Last game:**
  - **Real Madrid:** 1-0; **Arsenal:** 2-0
  - **Real Madrid:** home; **Arsenal:** away

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**Boca Juniors v Athletico PR**

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**CA River Plate v Cruzeiro**

- **Last game:**
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**Intercontinental v Ceara**

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Leclerc looks a good value bet at Hockenheim

One look at the betting odds for this weekend’s German Grand Prix at Hockenheim gives a clear indication of what a one-sided affair the Formula 1 season has turned out to be.

With Lewis Hamilton having won 7 of the 10 Grands Prix this season for Mercedes, he is 6-10 to take the chequered flag on Sunday.

Valteri Bottas (25-10), Charles Leclerc (9-1), Max Verstappen (10-1) and Sebastian Vettel (10-1) are – according to bookmakers – the only drivers who pose any kind of threat.

Pierre Gasly follows at 15-1 while the rest of the drivers are quoted at 35-1 and up.

Of all the contenders, Leclerc looks the most likely to record a maiden F1 victory and prevent Hamilton from standing on the top of the podium for an eighth time this season.

And at 9-1, he could be the value bet of the weekend.

The Ferrari driver has been on the podium five times this season, including in the last four consecutive contests.

Ferrari are still waiting on their first race win as we approach the midway point of the campaign.

Their number 1 driver, Sebastian Vettel, is enduring a miserable time and it looks as if Leclerc is set to take over the number 1 jersey for Ferrari so to speak.

Rumours of Vettel’s imminent retirement is also rife.

There have been no shortage of commentators willing to chip in on the situation.

Vettel might be “frustrated and vulnerable” at Ferrari, suggested Daniel Ricciardo.

Balf Schumacher, working for Sky in Germany, said: “Sebastian has to be careful not to lose his number one status [at Ferrari]. He almost has and Charles [Leclerc] is not making it easy for him.”

Vettel’s greatest issue might perhaps be the improving fortunes of Leclerc.

Engine trouble limited the Scuderia new boy to third from pole in Bahrain, while he retired on a miserable weekend at his home race in Monaco.

But the 21-year-old’s response to that latter setback has been superb, finishing on the podium in the four subsequent events, even though his wait for a breakthrough victory goes on.

Vettel’s position might already have been weakened by his poor performances and signs of ill-discipline, but Leclerc’s emergence means Ferrari also have a viable alternative as their lead driver.

Just three points separate the pair in the standings and there is now a genuine tussle to see which of the two will end the season on top.

Leclerc may well be benefitting from the distraction of Vettel’s antics and the four-time champion only has himself to blame.

Should these two team-mates continue along their contrasting paths, Vettel’s time at the front of Ferrari - let alone the sport - might be all but over. – Omnisport

Charles Leclerc, Picture: Backpages

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**MATCH-BY-MATCH GUIDE Friday 26 July**

**M1 Pumas v Blue Bulls**

The Pumas lost ground last week, while the Blue Bulls’ campaign has already descended into one in which they have to salvage pride. The shortened Currie Cup leaves teams with little room for slip-ups. The Pumas will be desperate to sustain their Currie Cup effort and it will be a surprise if they are defeated here. The Pumas to win by a dozen or so points.

**M2 New Zealand v South Africa**

The Springboks are out to remind the dangerous Pumas further that they are not 51st. The Pumas will be desperate to atone for that aberration in front of their home crowd last year. They too will be rested and heavily armed to help combat jet lag and fatigue and are likely to launch at the Boks, but the Springboks are likely to launch a come-from-behind win over the Pumas at Ellis Park. They come off a bye and may struggle to get going at Newlands. Western Province start favourites.

**M3 Australia v Argentina**

Both teams can take positives from last week’s defeats. Australia looked accomplished in patches against the Boks, but their failure in the set pieces undermined their efforts. To be fair Argentina’s scrum has been devoid of grunt too, but they certainly possess sting in their attack. This should be a free-flowing affair with more than 50 points likely to be scored and the hosts start favourites to win inside seven points.

**M4 Free State XV v Griquas**

The Free State XV handed the Blue Bulls a second consecutive Currie Cup defeat last weekend and looked a hugely impressive side. The Free State XV face formidable opposition this week end. Griquas’ 37-29 defeat of the dangerous Pumas further underlines their Currie Cup credentials. They have the momentum and start favourites.

**M5 Western Province v Golden Lions**

The Western Province handed the Blues a second consecutive defeat at the hands of the Sharks in Durban. They failed to reach the heights that made them such handsome winners over the Bulls a week earlier. The Golden Lions’ only match thus far is a loss, but they are likely to get this win. The hosts start favourites to win narrowly.

**R700,000 carryover boost as PSL comes back to life**

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**By Liam Del Carme**

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Bok odds slashed, but All Blacks remain favourites

What a difference a week makes. Last week this time Betting World had the Springboks at 6-1 to win the Rugby Championship. But after their heroic performance against Australia, winning by 33-17, the odds have been slashed to 12-1.

New Zealand, who just managed to hold on for a narrow 20-18 victory over Argentina, are still the favourites despite being second on the log.

For Australia (22-1) and Argentina (33-1) lifting the trophy now seems nothing more than a dream.

New Zealand found it “bloody tough” to get the job done against Argentina, number eight Ardie Savea said.

“Just talked about the next moment and dominating the next moment, so when we made mistakes we’d just connect and talk about the next moment and how we could dominate that, and hopefully gain momentum.”

New Zealand will regroup for their weekend’s home game against South Africa, and look to work out how Argentina caused them so many difficulties.

“They bought a bit of line speed on our attack and they put our skills under pressure,” Savea said.

“And at times their pressure worked. We’ll learn from that hopefully.”

Meanwhile Bok coach Rassie Erasmus has assembled a squad of 36 players in New Zealand to face the All Blacks and then go on to Argentina for their final Rugby Championship clash.

The Springboks beat the Wallabies despite leaving out a string of key men at Ellis Park.

Erasmus flew out to New Zealand directly after the victory along with his coaching staff and eight players – including the likes of Eben Etzebeth, Jesse Kriel, and Pieter-Steph du Toit.

Fourteen Springboks had already departed earlier while ten more left on Sunday.

South Africa take on Argentina in Salta on August 10. – Omnisport

Chelsea look set to give Barca a run for their money

It’s not often one gets to see two giants of world football in action on a Tuesday afternoon, but that’s what’s on the menu today when La Liga champions Barcelona face off against Europa League winners Chelsea in the Rakuten Cup in Japan.

The match will be Barcelona’s first runout of pre-season and with a number of their 8 team players called up into the travel squad, it’s a great opportunity for the youngsters to impress ahead of the La Liga season.

Chelsea boss Frank Lampard may look to tinker with his squad to find the winning formula as the Blues prepare for the Premier League season with a transfer ban looming the club.

If previous meetings between these two are anything to go by, today’s match looks set to be a cracker.

A number of key players have been left out of the travelling Barcelona squad due to their participation in the Copa America. Ernesto Valverde has given extended leave to the likes of Lionel Messi, Philippe Coutinho and Luis Suarez.

For Chelsea, both Tammy Abraham and goalkeeper Kepa Arrizabalaga missed out against Kawasaki Frontale through illness.

Midfielder Ngolo Kante has returned to the UK as he steps up his rehabilitation for a knee injury suffered at the end of last season. The Frenchman has been unable to play a part in Chelsea’s pre-season thus far.

Chelsea are also without Ruben Loftus-Cheek, Callum Hudson-Odoi, Willian and Antonio Rudiger as they continue their rehabilitation from long-term injuries.

Barcelona’s game against Chelsea will be their first pre-season fixture of the year. The Catalian giants ended the season with only one win in their last five, including a shock 4-0 loss to Liverpool that sent them crashing out of the Champions League.

Chelsea have had a mixed bag of results in their recent fixtures. The Blues suffered their first defeat under Lampard in a 1-0 loss to Japanese side Kawasaki Frontale. Despite this pre-season blip, Chelsea ended last season well, securing the Europa League title after beating rivals Arsenal in Baku.

Barcelona look set to field a team missing a number of key senior players, whereas the Chelsea lineup will be formidable and eager to avenge their loss against Kawasaki Frontale.

A tight encounter is expected, but Chelsea might just edge it. New signing Antoine Griezmann was among the Barcelona players who took part in a pre-match reception with representatives of Chelsea ahead of today’s match in Japan.

Griezmann was joined by fellow Barcelona new boys Frenkie de Jong and Hiroki Abe as well as his other teammates to pose for pictures in Tokyo.

The match revives memories of classic matches between the two teams, with Lampard part of the Chelsea squad that saw off Barca over a two-legged semi-final on their way to winning the 2012 Uefa Champions League title.

Betting World has Chelsea at 16-10 to win while Barca is offered at 15-10. – omnisport.com, Omnisport

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