

# SPORTS VIEW

## Fans Getting Their Knickers in a Twist Over Euro Draws

Before the 2012 European Championship draw was made, it was a widely held view that seeding the co-hosts in Pot 1, Ukraine and Poland, was wrong and created an imbalance to the competitiveness of each of the four groups.

However, now that England have managed to get drawn in a Group with hapless Ukraine, canon-fodder Sweden and self imploding France, suddenly the seeding process doesn't seem so bad. What is not so great is our refusal to move our headquarters closer to where England's Group games are being played in Ukraine.

There is the obvious impact on the players and supporters caused by hours stuck on coaches and in airports (does Ukraine even have an airport? - quite a few apparently).



***But, in this day and age, the decision not to move England from their Krakow base now the draw has been made smacks of an arrogant disregard for the environment!!***

### Where Do The Transfer Fees Go?

All you need to know and probably too much of what you need to know about who owned Carlos Tevez can be found in an excellent article written by [David Conn](#).

However, it can't be long before the whole business of transfers and commission on transfers get reviewed again by the courts. A players value should be no more than the value of his unexpired contract. So, over a 2/3 year period, the professional clubs in this country will have to get real about their finances particularly as there seems no end to this recession.

In the meantime, I think we can expect at least 1 former Premier League club to finally succumb to the inevitability of their debts and previous lavish spending. And the sad fact is that most of the players, managers, coaches and agents having taken a good living and lifestyle from the club in previous years will be nowhere near the club when it fails leaving supports and their town without a team.

Best wishes

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