

UFC Fight Night 57: Swanson vs Edgar Paid Betting Picks

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Matt Wiman vs Isaac Vallie-Flagg

This lightweight match-up will kick off the main card on Fox Sports 1. Wiman will enter the cage Saturday night with a 15-7 overall record and a 9-5 UFC record. It has been 22 months since Wiman last fought inside the octagon though. His opponent, Isaac Vallie-Flagg will be 36 years old at fight time and has a 14-5-1 overall record. He already has 2 fights this year; both losses via decision to Takanori Gomi and Elias Silverio. Prior to the losses though, Vallie-Flagg managed to rack up a 12 fight unbeaten streak which culminated with split decisions over Brian Melancon, Gesias Cavalcante and Yves Edwards. Prior to his absence, Wiman went 2-2 with wins over Paul Sass and Mac Danzig and losses to TJ Grant and Dennis Siver.

In terms of the betting odds for this fight, the best you can do on Vallie-Flagg is 2.80 (+180) at BetOnline while the best you can do on Wiman is 1.50 (-200) at 5Dimes. With Wiman returning from an extended layoff, we think the value squarely rests on Vallie-Flagg. Any time you have a fighter who hasn't fought in almost 2 years, it's hard to predict how they'll come back. In addition, it's not like Wiman is an incredibly great fighter. At his best, we'd put him in the mid-tier of UFC lightweights which is probably around where we'd place Vallie-Flagg currently. Obviously, the other factor going into our bet on Vallie-Flagg is the fact that our model predicts he'll win the fight.

We placed a 2 unit bet on Vallie-Flagg at 2.80 (+180).

Jared Rosholt vs Oleksiy Oliynyk

In the second heavyweight bout of the card, Jared Rosholt and Oleksiy Oliynyk will duke it out in something that likely looks like two tough man contestants. Rosholt is 28 years old and already 3-0 in the UFC and 11-1 overall. If you've seen any of his fights, you know they're not much to watch as he tends to just hold down his opponent on his way to a decision. Realistically though, it really is his opponents job to get themselves off the mat so we can't criticize Rosholt too much for applying a strategy that works. Oliynyk is his much older and more experienced foe at 37 years old and with an overall record of 49-9-1.

For some reason, the hype train on Rosholt keeps rolling even though the only thing he has proven is that he can lay and pray guys. All it will take for Oliynyk (who is a decent sized underdog at 3.00 (+200) to win is to stay on his feet. Sure, it's not an easy task, but we've seen how bad Rosholt's striking can be (almost getting knocked out by Walt Harris very early in their fight). In this fight, because Rosholt is a decent sized favourite bascially purely on one skill (his wrestling), take the dog, Oliynyk. Don't be hugely surprised if Rosholt manages to get takedowns and lay and pray for 3 rounds though as that is the most likely way this bet loses.

We placed a 2 unit bet on Oliynyk at 3.00 (+200) at Bet365.

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Edgar/Benavidez Parlay. 3 units at 1.86 (-116) at 5Dimes

Vallie-Flagg over Wiman. 2 units at 2.80 (+180) at BetOnline

Oliynyk over Rosholt. 2 units at 3.00 (+200) at Bet365

Thanks for ordering our UFC Fight Night 57: Swanson vs Edgar paid betting tips. Good luck with all your bets Saturday night!

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