

## The Speculator – Year's Interim Report

**Title: The Curse of December vs a successful 2007**

**Dear Friends,**

First of all I want to wish you all a happy 2008 with health , profits and good living to you personally and your beloved ones.

It seems like yesterday when in January 2007 we started this website. A website with just one clear intention, to win money. As you know we never have found ourselves hidden behind the curtain of competitions or played against opponents. We are actually one of less or none websites that advertised intentionally competitors for the good of our customers.

Unfortunately, we haven't been able to beat the Curse of December as it is called by many, a month that usually takes away profits.

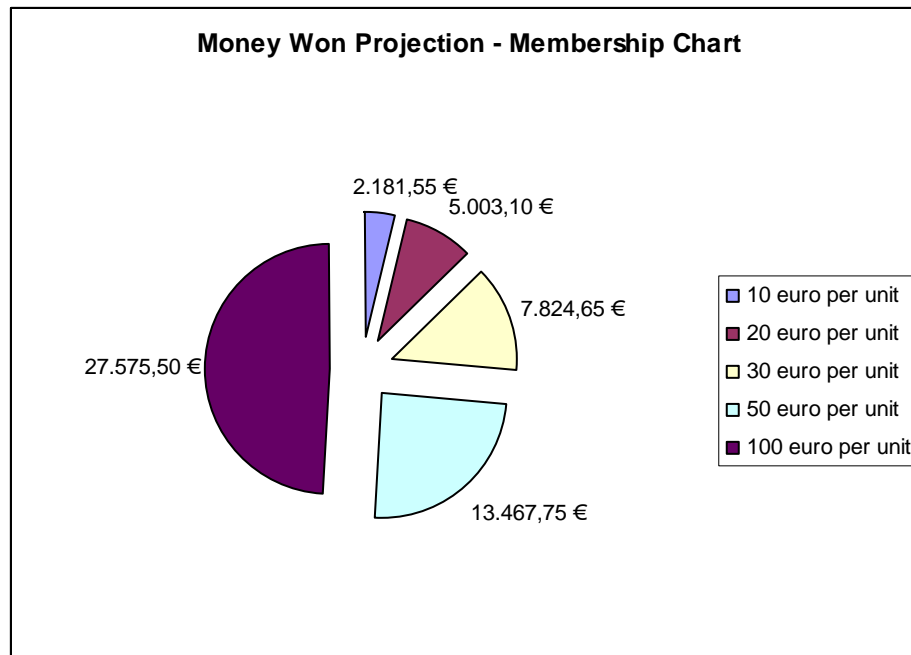
The year ending certainly leave us with a bitter taste as we haven't been able to reach our initial targets of 35-50 units profit per month and 10% yield though we feel happy that many members of EBIG produced a good profit from the service alongside we did.

For first time December started well and then we had a free fall during the month with biggest loss to date getting away a lot of the healthy profit produced during the last two months.

In total the year was certainly plus but not what we have planned. Our average profit was finally settled at 23,5 units per month and the average yield profit at 8,67%. Even if the site produced a very good return of 282,155 units with an average stake per bet close to 5,5 units we have noticed some negative and positive points that we intend to correct next year.

### Yearly Statistics

Year	Total Staked	Total Return	Profit	Yield(%)	Total Bets	Bets Won	Bets Pushed	Bets Lost
2007	3254.5	3,536.66	282.16	109%	635	330	22	283



The chart gives a small representation of the final profit that a member could have produced under different staking plans for the last year with the price of membership included. Hypothetically if somebody placed 100 euros for a 5/10 usual stake his return should be more than 5000 euros membership included. In reality those prices should be a bit lower on your books as the prices taken vary.

Based on the statistical study undertaken by Professor Sergey we have made some amendments (immediately active) in order to ensure that next year would be more successful than the previous one. Our main objectives are two:

- 1. Quality of profit**
- 2. Improvement of yield %**

The term quality of profit has to do with the number of bets advised, the leagues advised but also the starting price of bet against the price taken of the last member on the queue. We have carried out an experiment last 6 months concerning the prices advised and how much the priced changed after 1 hour. Those changes weren't of big significance to some leagues but of very large significance to others. In the majority of case and as we advise 90% on Asian handicap the losses aren't big but in a small percentage and especially on exotic leagues there is true difference. During 2008 we will try to avoid small exotic leagues, we will narrow our bets and we will try to go on bigger volumes of championships in order to minimize loss of odds.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> improvement concerns the number of bets. We started with the intention of advising 20-30 bets per month and we ended some months with 60 or 70 bets advised. In the rush of the betting it is something normal that somebody may go away from his initial goal but we believe a double or triple number of bets equals with a double or triple percentage of risk taking. Cutting only the number of bets isn't the solution. But we thought that is better to cut the number but also raise the stake on those best picked given in order to find a middle solution. So, what is the thought? Going down on numbers to our initial 20-30 bets per month but raising the flat stake to 10 units (5 units in some case) in order to try improving the yearly profit, the % and also risking

less money in stakes with the best possible return. We believe this new method will provide more quality for the risk taken by our members.

**Resume**

Our goal for next year stays the same as it was last year. To provide a very good quality of service along with a significant amount of profit for the year 2008. We have the target of 35-50 units per month with a yield higher than 10%.

The staking plan changes as we have described on the previous chapter and we go with a flat 10/10 for 2008 with a 5/10 in situations of high odds value bets given where the 10/10 stake is usually not reachable.

Every month there is going to be a Unit won / lost to Money Projection so we can keep up to real profits and not units.

*Until next month ... I wish to all of you good luck...*

**The Speculator**