

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: KENILWORTH@2020.07.07

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 1, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R40.000, 11:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Competitive opener. FUTURA'S HOPE beat home only one rival in a feature on debut but wasn't far off the highly regarded winner who contested a 2yo Gr.1 last weekend. With natural improvement, he ought to play a leading role in this grade against fellow maidens. However, SEEKING THE STARS and SOMERSET MAUGHAM are both likely to pose a threat after pleasing introductions over the course and distance. ATINSON GRIMSHAW, FAIRY WARRIOR and TICKET TO RIDE could also have roles to play. Watch the betting on well-bred newcomers CAPTAIN KANE and SALVATOR MUNDI.

Selections:

#7 Futura's Hope, #12 Seeking The Stars, #13 Somerset Maugham, #11 Salvator Mundi

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 2, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R40.000, 12:15GMT+2

Race Summary: Tricky. ARCTIC ICE and BALLROOM BLISS ran well on debut over course and distance recently. Both will be wiser to the task and with natural improvement should be competitive. GAYLEACTIC STAR acquitted herself well as a maiden in a track-and-trip feature last time and should have more to offer reverting to this grade. Speedy LADY CATHERINE has earning potential but a bigger threat could come from RIVER CAFE who finished on the heels of that rival when turning in a pleasing debut. SOFT DAY and MAJOR ATTRACTION aren't without chances either. Open!

Selections:

#5 Gayleactic Star, #2 Arctic Ice, #3 Ballroom Bliss, #12 River Cafe

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 3, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R40.000, 12:50GMT+2

Race Summary: Many with chances. FORT AGOPIAN has been getting closer with each start and is open to further improvement trying this trip. NIXON wouldn't be winning out of turn but has it all to do from a wide draw. MORSE is usually in the shake-up but is also drawn poorly. THE SECOND WAVE was 2nd in 4 of 5 starts before a disappointing last run. Worth another chance (overdue). WHAT A MAN has earning potential but could be stretched by this trip from a wide gate. ELUSIVE TANGO is capable of better than his modest recent comeback and could also earn if reproducing earlier form.

Selections:

#3 The Second Wave, #1 Fort Agopian, #2 Nixon, #4 Morse

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 4, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R40.000, 13:25GMT+2

Race Summary: THE VOW had CAPE TO RIO and REEF KNOT behind when 2nd on her comeback recently and is likely to give another forward showing from pole position. CAPE TO RIO stayed on well that day suggesting there'll be more to come over this trip. REEF KNOT was inconvenienced and may have finished closer, so warrants respect. Youngsters MUSICAL GLITCH and PEANUT BUTTER are open to improvement going this trip and receive 4kg from their elders.

Selections:

#1 The Vow, #3 Reef Knot, #2 Cape To Rio, #11 Peanut Butter

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 5, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R85.000, 13:55GMT+2

Race Summary: SING OUT LOUD spreadeagled the opposition over 1600m last time out and, on the evidence of that impressive display, should confirm superiority over those at her first attempt over this trip. FLAME TREE and BOLD DIVA may get closer to the selection with that recent comeback run under their belts. REWRITE THE STARS was disappointing on that occasion but is capable of a better showing.

MAYFERN and HONEY PIE are consistent handicappers who could also stake a claim. WHAT A FLIRT makes most appeal of the last-start maiden winners.

Selections:

#1 Sing Out Loud, #5 Bold Diva, #7 Mayfern, #3 Flame Tree

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 6, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R85.000, 14:25GMT+2

Race Summary: The Snaith and Crawford yards are responsible for 8 runners, so it'd be unsurprising were they to dominate the finish. Riding arrangements suggest DUCHESS OF BOURBON is likely to be competitive but, after disappointing efforts in her last 2 starts, stable companions ESTEEMAL and STAR OF SILVER make more appeal. SHAMROCK WIND and WATER SPIRIT also fluffed their lines when last seen, so just bounce back to play a role in the finish. Their stable companion HEAVEN'S EMBRACE caught the eye on her recent comeback behind consistent CRUISE ALONG and is weighted to the turn tables. Good race!

Selections:

#9 Heaven's Embrace, #8 Star Of Silver, #6 Esteemal, #11 Cruise Along

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 7, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R85.000, 15:00GMT+2

Race Summary: Wide-open Listed contest. SUGAR GIRL has fitness concerns returning from a lengthy layoff but if fit and at her best is capable of playing a role. NOUSVOILA has a useful record over this trip and on best form could feature, although riding arrangements suggest SAILING SHIP is the pick of the yard's runners. QUEEN OF QUIET completed a hat-trick of wins over this track and triplast time out and has scope for further improvement - leading contender. Stablemate CASINO QUEEN lost form in stronger races over further but can bounce back reverting to a sprint. FREEDOM SEEKER should be competitive.

Selections:

#7 Queen Of Quiet, #13 Freedom Seeker, #14 Hello Winter Hello, #8 Casino Queen

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 8, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R125.000, 15:30GMT+2

Race Summary: KATAK preserved his unbeaten record with a dominant display in Leg 1 of the Winter Series, beating half a dozen of these rivals, and on that evidence will be hard to beat over the extra 200m. Both ARCTIC DRIFT and CAPTAIN FLINDERS could get closer on revised the terms. SILVER HOST and SUPER SILVANO are capable of doing so with a comeback run under their belts, but a bigger threat is likely to come from unexposed BLACK KNAP who caught the eye on his return recently in open company. ROYAL RETURN has scope and could improve to feature.

Selections:

#2 Katak, #4 Black Knap, #1 Silver Host, #7 Captain Flinders

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 9, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R40.000, 16:05GMT+2

Race Summary: Good race. SACRED ARROW is more than useful and if not too far out of his ground (trip sharp) could have a say on favourable terms. READY STEADY GO is both versatile and consistent. Boasts solid form credentials and well treated by conditions. ELUSIVE TRADER and MACHIAVELLI are capable sorts in their own right and on their day could upstage a field of this ilk. Stable companions (and half-brothers) GREEN JACKCET and MISTER VARGUS have a bit to find on these terms but are race fit and in good form. SAVEA fits a similar profile - makes appeal under bottom weight and with a 4kg claimer up!

Selections:

#2 Ready Steady Go, #3 Elusive Trader, #7 Green Jacket, #8 Mister Vargus

Kenilworth, 07.07.2020, Race 10, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R40.000, 16:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Open. Consistent ORAKAL fluffed his lines and took no interest when raced without blinkers on his comeback but an improved effort can be expected with the headgear now refitted. ZEB is as honest as the day is long. He is proven at this level, is distance suited and runs well fresh. Don't discount. HURRICANE HARRY and SPECTRA FORCE are entitled to improvement after comeback runs and both are capable of having a say in their outcome if reproducing earlier form. BRAVE TIGER doesn't know how to run a bad race and won't be far off the action. More to come from gelded GENERAL FRANCO. Be value here!

Selections:

#6 General Franco, #9 Hurricane Harry, #3 Orakal, #12 Brave Tiger

Best Win: #1 SING OUT LOUD

Best Value Bet:

Best Longshot: #6 GENERAL FRANCO