RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: SCOTTSVILLE@2019.05.15

Scottsville, 15.05.2019, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R105.000, 12:20GMT+2

Race Summary: WE LIGHT THE FIRE is back over the 1000 metre trip and should have every chance of opening his account. DOUBLE ESPRESSO had excuses against older runners last time. His trial was promising and he could make big improvement here.PRESUMPTUOUS showed something in his trial and could come on from a good draw. CANDY APPLE has experience here and can only get better.

Selections:

#10 We Light The Fire, #4 Double Espresso, #8 Presumptuous, #2 Candy Apple

Scottsville, 15.05.2019, Race 2, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R105.000, 12:55GMT+2

Race Summary: KNIGHT WARRIOR caught the eye finishing strongly for second albeit on the poly. Had he got going sooner he could have won. PINKERTON is a colt by Dynasty who showed he may need further lacking extra after racing up with the speed. Could be the big improver in this. AL JAZEERA wasn't disgraced against his elders last time and should show more in this. WATCHWORD has a say.

Selections:

#5 Knight Warrior, #8 Pinkerton, #1 Al Jazeera, #14 Watchword

Scottsville, 15.05.2019, Race 3, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R100.000, 13:30GMT+2

Race Summary: RAGOON has shown good ability previously. Better than his last few he could excel in this company and venue especially from draw one. COLLABRO doesn't know how to run a bad race and a fair run must be expected from him in his track debut as well. BLACKBURN ROC caught the eye last and with G G's DYNASTY receives weight from the above mentioned. TOMMY GRAND has a say.

Selections:

#2 Ragoon, #1 Collabro, #8 Blackburn Roc, #10 G G's Dynasty

Scottsville, 15.05.2019, Race 4, Gallops, 2400m, Turf, R105.000, 14:05GMT+2

Race Summary: EXCESSIVE GRACE is weighted to beat this lot (even if against mostly males here). She runs on well and should go the longer distance. WORLD CRUISE put in a career best run last and may take the distance in his stride. He has a plum draw. PARADISE LOST ran his best race at this venue two starts back and was lost at Greyville last time. SUN ON SAND has run well this trip.

Selections:

#7 Excessive Grace, #3 World Cruise, #1 Paradise Lost, #8 Sun On Sand

Scottsville, 15.05.2019, Race 5, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R88.000, 14:40GMT+2

Race Summary: HELLO SUMMER was eye catching in both starts at this venue and would be deserving. But she has drawn badly and it is a wide open race. Still she must have a say. SONG OF THE FOREST won well before rest and could show more improvement on handicap debut. WILDLY IN LOVE won well and could dictate to the end again. LUNAR TIDE has much improved of late. Open.

Selections:

#4 Hello Summer, #10 Song Of The Forest, #8 Wildly In Love, #15 Lunar Tide

Scottsville, 15.05.2019, Race 6, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R117.000, 15:20GMT+2

Race Summary: RUBY SPIRIT has not disgraced himself at Scottsville. He carries bottom weight and must have every chance of adding to his one official win. BUCKLEBERRY is as consistent as they come and another good effort can be expected. RIPIT UP is an interesting entry. He switches to sprints and he could relish the challenge. He has decent ability. CUMULUS and IMMORTELLE can show up.

Selections:

#13 Ruby Spirit, #9 Buckleberry, #5 Rip It Up, #8 Cumulus

Scottsville, 15.05.2019, Race 7, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R88.000, 15:55GMT+2

Race Summary: CHERRY POP showed good pace in her last two and will be at a peak now. It was her first run at this venue when second and she must build on that. CELESTINA came back to best in a stronger race last and can improve on her only run here. EXTRAVARGANT is a lot better than her last try on soft ground. Include her. I'M FREE improved here last time and could be the value type. Tough.

Selections:

#12 Cherry Pop, #8 Celestina, #6 Extravargant, #15 I'm Free

Scottsville, 15.05.2019, Race 8, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R105.000, 16:30GMT+2

Race Summary: Juvenile SIMPLY RUSSIAN meets her elders. She has been improving nicely and was not disgraced in her track debut last time. Can show them her talent. WINTER RETREAT can score an overdue win after rest. Her two official runs can't be faulted. CAPTAINS LOVE brings decent Highveld form into the race. May not have the best of draws - check earlier races. WYLIE'S LASS can improve.

Selections:

#14 Simply Russian, #11 Winter Retreat, #1 Captains Love, #16 Wylie's Lass