

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: DURBANVILLE@2020.07.28

Durbanville, 28.07.2020, Race 1, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R40.000, 12:20GMT+2

Race Summary: Improving MAJOR ATTRACTION close-up 2nd last 2 starts (both sprints, stayed on), further progress expected stepped up 200m - runner to beat despite wide draw. MADAM SEVILLE improved 4th at this venue when last seen - must confirm to feature. Newcomers TWICETHEQUALITY and IN A HUFF could pose a threat, watch the betting for clues. KAROO WINTER and RIVER CAFE will come on with experience, also likely to improve this distance - place chances. CUT GLASS not dismissed with rider taking 4kg off - could surprise.

Selections:

#7 Major Attraction, #11 Twicethequality, #9 River Cafe, #6 Madam Seville

Durbanville, 28.07.2020, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R40.000, 12:55GMT+2

Race Summary: CAPTAIN'S FLO and LA QUINTA carry penalties for debut wins. The former ran in feature races before her close-up 2nd in a similar contest last time, go close with a repeat - latter has not been seen since, could be anything. Stablemates AL'S LASS and VARIETY BREEZE likely improves after modest introductions, place chances. LADY CATHERINE has track experience, capable of better than disappointing last run. Kotzen-trained newcomers are worth a market check, riding arrangements suggest TALLAHASSEE is preferred. FRENCH FLING consistent maiden, claimer takes 4kg off - conditions suit. Tricky!

Selections:

#5 French Fling, #1 Captain's Flo, #2 La Quinta, #6 Lady Catherine

Durbanville, 28.07.2020, Race 3, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R40.000, 13:30GMT+2

Race Summary: ROSEMARY MEADOW outran 75/1 odds when finishing a career-best 3rd over this trip last start, will be a factor if confirming that improvement. Lightly raced CAPE TO RIO has a few lengths to find on that rival but is maturing - lots more scope to improve, can turn the tables. Youngster PEANUT BUTTER fit similar profile, can make presence felt. Both WATCH ME NOW and A MOMENT APART disappointing last time out - capable of getting a look in on best earlier form. Consistent WHAT A JEWEL won't be far off the action, warrants respect. RUBY RHYTHM and APACHE GIRL not without a chance trying the trip.

Selections:

#1 Cape To Rio, #3 What A Jewel, #2 Rosemary Meadow, #8 Queen Louise

Durbanville, 28.07.2020, Race 4, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R40.000, 14:05GMT+2

Race Summary: Good race. Top-weight KAMPALA CAMPARI returns from a layoff - better over further but well in under the conditions, won't need to be tuned to play leading role. SACRED ARROW distance suited + should improve on comeback sprint, shortlisted. Versatile READY STEADY GO consistent, peak run now - exclude at your peril. ORAKAL has a bit to find on these terms but is coming to hand again - dangerous with just 52,5kg to shoulder. SPECTRA FORCE must rediscover his form of last year to have a say. RUSH HOUR GIRL (1st try trip) and returning DORSET NOBLE add further intrigue.

Selections:

#1 Kampala Campari, #2 Sacred Arrow, #3 Ready Steady Go, #5 Orakal

Durbanville, 28.07.2020, Race 5, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R40.000, 14:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Tricky. MIDNIGHT BADGER runner-up in both post-maiden outings, including a narrow defeat in similar contest on handicap debut - be right there. TAMBORA and BRANDENBURG closely

matched with that rival, weighted to reverse form. CYBER LAW consistent performer at this level - wide draw and 4kg off again, warrants respect. PINK FLOYD is in good form, staying-on 2nd over 1200m lasttime - conditions suit. REGIMENTAL has scope, could improve attempting trip.

Selections:

#2 Pink Floyd, #1 Midnight Badger, #10 Cyber Law, #7 Tambora

Durbanville, 28.07.2020, Race 6, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R40.000, 15:15GMT+2

Race Summary: A case can be made for each of these. However, none make more appeal than consistent MISTER VARGUS who has solid recent form/fitness + a good record in similar grade = one to beat. APOLLO ACE winless in 6 attempts at this track but 2,5kg better off for 2,45 lengths - obvious danger. WHAT A WINNER and AL BRAGGA entirely different propositions over this trip - respected. MR COBBS and BROADSIDE both capable of better - could get closer now. NASTY HARRY solid form prior to layoff - fitness will be tested, not incapable of a bold bid racing fresh.

Selections:

#2 Mister Vargus, #3 Apollo Ace, #1 What A Winner, #7 Al Bragga

Durbanville, 28.07.2020, Race 7, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R40.000, 15:50GMT+2

Race Summary: Several with chances. IKEBANA speedy before tiring under a light weight over track and trip last start, entitled to improvement but tough ask giving weight to male rivals. AL WAHED winner over track and trip when last seen, rejuvenated without headgear + capable of bold bid under 4kg claimer = winning chance. FIRE WALKER and DESTRUCTION BOY are consistent at this level - winless at this track but have form + fitness to make presence felt. SHINNECOCK broke his duck in work riders' maiden, faces tougher test in handicaps but has most scope for improvement - respect.

Selections:

#3 Al Wahed, #6 Fire Walker, #8 Destruction Boy, #1 Ikebana

Durbanville, 28.07.2020, Race 8, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R40.000, 16:25GMT+2

Race Summary: ATTORNEY GENERAL makes a belated reappearance after encouraging debut 5th over 1400m - closely matched with NIXON on that meeting but likely to get the better of that rival on 4kg (claimer) better terms with natural improvement expected. NIXON and MORSE have the form and experience to expose chinks in the selection's armour. ELUSIVE TANGO finished ahead of that pair last time out, another to consider. BLUE GROUND, HALF AND HALF, BEY SUYAY and SECRET CIRCLE must raise their games to get a look in. Newcomer MAGNUM FIRE is bred to be useful - watch the betting.

Selections:

#9 Attorney General, #12 Magnum Fire, #2 Nixon, #1 Morse

Best Win: #2 MISTER VARGUS

Best Value Bet:

Best Longshot: #5 FRENCH FLING