

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: TURFFONTEIN STANDSIDE@2026.02.01

Turffontein Standside, 01.02.2026, Race 1, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R105.000, 12:05GMT+2

Race Summary: EMERALD COUNTESS confirmed the improvement of her previous start (with blinkers) by finishing a career-best 2nd last time and a repeat of that performance with the headgear retained could suffice. SAVARA'S PRINCESS and TRAIL RUNNER also filled the runners-up berth in their most recent outings. Both have the form and experience to fight out the finish. ONCEINABLUEMOON fits a similar profile but a bigger threat will likely come from GIMMESUMLUV who would have come on appreciably with the benefit of an encouraging introductory outing.

Selections:

#2 Emerald Countess, #4 Trail Runner, #3 Savara's Princess, #7 Gimmesumluv

Turffontein Standside, 01.02.2026, Race 2, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R120.000, 12:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Well-related SPACE MISSION has performed consistently over further but the drop back in trip with blinkers fitted could eke out the improvement needed to shed his maiden tag in a race that won't take much winning. MONKEY'S WEDDING had excuses for a disappointing last start but could pose a threat if bouncing back to his earlier form. TRURO LEGACY and SABRAGE are open to improvement so could get into the picture too. Newcomer MUSICAL WARFARE would not have to be special to make his presence felt either.

Selections:

#1 Space Mission, #2 Monkey's Wedding, #3 Truro Legacy, #7 Musical Warfare

Turffontein Standside, 01.02.2026, Race 3, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R130.000, 13:15GMT+2

Race Summary: WINDS OF CHANGE and BJORN IRONSIDE boast solid form credentials over track and trip, and both are weighted to be competitive. However, it could pay to follow the progress of unexposed RIFLE QUEEN who was 2nd in a Listed race on her reappearance and remains open to improvement. ANCHORAGE is held on that form but capable of a better performance over this track and trip. CHAPBOOK and stablemate KAALVOET have shown enough to make their presence felt, as has LEAD THE CHARGE and well-weighted TINA LOVELACE. Improving last-start maiden winner SAKURA HANAMI is better than rated and is also respected.

Selections:

#6 Rifle Queen, #2 Bjorn Ironside, #1 Winds Of Change, #3 Chapbook

Turffontein Standside, 01.02.2026, Race 4, Gallops, 2400m, Turf, R160.000, 13:50GMT+2

Race Summary: DOUGLAS DRAGON could hardly have been more impressive when winning over course and distance last time. On the evidence of that performance, a 6-point penalty and slight step up in class should not prevent another bold bid for victory under a 1.5kg claimer. NEBRAAS, BATTLEGROUND and ENFLAME are proven stayers with the means to expose any chinks in the selection's armour. ETHICAL is open to improvement stretching out to this trip for the first time.

Selections:

#3 Douglas Dragon, #4 Enflame, #1 Nebraas, #2 Battleground

Turffontein Standside, 01.02.2026, Race 5, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R90.000, 14:25GMT+2

Race Summary: CASUS BELLI and CREPUSCOLO are closely matched on recent form. Both are consistent performers at this level and should play leading roles. PEACE TREATY is engaged to run at an earlier meeting but is also closely matched with those rivals. Last-start runner-up FULL GO and hard-knocker HAT FURIOUS (fitter after a comeback run) can get into the picture, along with recent

maiden winner WORLD ORDER who remains open to improvement on his handicap debut, even under top weight.

Selections:

#4 Casus Belli, #7 Crepuscolo, #2 Peace Treaty, #6 Full Go

Turffontein Standside, 01.02.2026, Race 6, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R135.000, 15:00GMT+2

Race Summary: ACCEPT COOKIES was a close-up 2nd in a similar contest last time, conceding 4kg to the progressive 3yo winner. She is 0.5kg worse off with re-opposing WARNING SOUND but will likely confirm her superiority over the inconsistent latter. MOUNTAIN HIGH, class-dropper FIRE IN HER SOUL and lightly raced CAPE SAFFRON aren't taken lightly under handy galloping weights.

Selections:

#1 Accept Cookies, #6 Warning Sound, #7 Mountain High, #8 Fire In Her Soul

Turffontein Standside, 01.02.2026, Race 7, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R105.000, 15:35GMT+2

Race Summary: INTO DANCING caught the eye when a fast-finishing 4th over 1450m last time so this extended trip, coupled with her rider's 4kg allowance, should suit. SCARLETT HEART and SIGRID SWING are closely matched on recent form and both have the means to pose a threat. ALTA CAPITANA has improved in 2 starts with blinkers fitted and should remain competitive over this shorter trip. PARIS FUN, after an encouraging comeback run, unexposed FISH HAWK and GLAMOROUS LADY complete the shortlist.

Selections:

#6 Into Dancing, #5 Sigrid Swing, #4 Scarlett Heart, #3 Alta Capitana

Turffontein Standside, 01.02.2026, Race 8, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R90.000, 16:15GMT+2

Race Summary: MICHAEL FARADAY and GOLDEN ASPEN are consistent hard-knockers with the form and experience at this level to fight out the finish. Consistent PRETTY ANALIA, VAVA VEGAS, with blinkers refitted, last-start winner ZOOMBOMBER and class-dropper EIGHT HATS have shown enough to play leading roles too.

Selections:

#1 Michael Faraday, #7 Golden Aspen, #8 Vava Vegas, #9 Zoombomber

Turffontein Standside, 01.02.2026, Race 9, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R125.000, 16:50GMT+2

Race Summary: TINTIN annihilated his rivals when winning a 1200m maiden and the extra 200m could unlock any amount of further improvement, so it should pay to follow his progress. Class-droppers CHIEFTAIN'S SHIELD and JABARI THIMBA have form at a higher level and will keep the selection honest. JUNIPER GREEN, COPPOLA, OMBUDSMAN and IMPACT INVESTOR are all better than their recent performances suggest.

Selections:

#8 Tintin, #5 Chieftain's Shield, #6 Jabari Thimba, #1 Juniper Green

Best Win: #3 DOUGLAS DRAGON

Best Value Bet: #INTO DANCING

Best Longshot: #6 INTO DANCING