RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: TURFFONTEIN STANDSIDE@2023.04.01

Turffontein Standside, 01.04.2023, Race 1, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R90.000, 11:50GMT+2

Race Summary: COSMIC STAR took a walk in the betting on debut but did well to run 2nd. With the experience gained could open the card on a favourable note for punters. FORT LAUDERDALE was just behind him then but needed the run and should give him a go. SAGAN and stablemate MAYOR OF MERRIVALE cannot be ignored for money. Filly MIA FIORE was beaten when hot favourite in her post-debut and warrants respect. Other filly HAPPY VIBES could make the Quartet. Watch newcomer ROYAL GUIDE.

Selections:

#4 Cosmic Star, #1 Fort Lauderdale, #9 Mia Fiore, #7 Sagan

Turffontein Standside, 01.04.2023, Race 2, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R125.000, 12:20GMT+2

Race Summary: CLIMATE CONTROL and ZUZAN renew rivalry. On their recent meeting over 200m less, ZUZAN proved the better, beating his rival by just over a length but is 1kg worse off. It could get very close. TABEBUIA found problems last time so expect a big run. TAMARISK TREE attracts money but has let down followers before. SUPREME DANCE and CAPTAIN CHORUS are looking for minor money.

Selections:

#5 Climate Control, #6 Zuzan, #2 Tabebuia, #3 Tamarisk Tree

Turffontein Standside, 01.04.2023, Race 3, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R150.000, 12:55GMT+2

Race Summary: BIG BURN is back over the minimum trip and the combo is on a hat-trick. With 2.5kg off her back could hold off ex-stablemate MASTER ARCHIE who races in new surroundings. BARTHOLDI was just in front of WINTER STORIES when they met in December a little over 2 lengths behind BIG BURN (1.5kg worse off) but WINTER STORIES bled and comes off a rest. HITHEMHARDSUNSHINE and FAUSTINO also race in new surroundings and both have ability - watch. BELLA CHICA can improve more.

Selections:

#4 Big Burn, #1 Master Archie, #2 Bartholdi, #3 Winter Stories

Turffontein Standside, 01.04.2023, Race 4, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R120.000, 13:30GMT+2

Race Summary: Good race. QUEEN OF SHADOWS gets the nod. She was runner-up in her last three starts and deserves her just reward. WHAFEEF needed his first run as a gelding and will come on heaps. HOME OF THE BRAVE and TIRPITZ meet stronger but looks to come on. Couplings INDLAMU and WILLOW EXPRESS as well as BARD OF AVON and MERIDIUS warrant inclusion in all bets. SUPREME QUEST has a chance if confirms form. There was something amiss with GLOBAL IMPACT last time.

Selections:

#7 Queen Of Shadows, #3 Whafeef, #9 Home Of The Brave, #1 Indlamu

Turffontein Standside, 01.04.2023, Race 5, Gallops, 1100m, Turf, R250.000, 14:05GMT+2

Race Summary: The Europa Point Man O' War Stakes (Grade 3) over 1100m for 3 year-olds opens up Jackpot 1 and punters need to include as many as they can afford. QUANTUM THEORY showed good early toe last time and will kick on. GOBSMACKED was 2nd on debut and has reeled off 4 straight wins subsequently. She is backed-up with MAHARANEE who has come right at the right time. FAR AWAY WINTER is ripe and ready. MERCANTOUR has matured but gives weight to all. MISS DAISY and KZN raider RULERSHIP can earn.

Selections:

#3 Gobsmacked, #2 Quantum Theory, #4 Maharanee, #1 Mercantour

Turffontein Standside, 01.04.2023, Race 6, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R1.000.000, 14:40GMT+2

Race Summary: The HF Oppenheimer Horse Chestnut Stakes (Grade 1) over 1600m attracted a competitive field and many with claims. UNDER YOUR SPELL is back to best and on a hat-trick. She meets RED SAXON on 1kg worse terms for a length beating. It could go either way. PUERTO MANZANO had issues last time when with stablemate BINGWA were well behind the above mentioned two. ANFIELDS ROCKET surprised most over a longer trip but could prefer this distance. Others with claims.

Selections:

#9 Under Your Spell, #6 Red Saxon, #7 Anfields Rocket, #2 Puerto Manzano

Turffontein Standside, 01.04.2023, Race 7, Gallops, 2450m, Turf, R1.500.000, 15:15GMT+2

Race Summary: The 3 year olds will need to prove their stamina in the World Sports Betting SA Derby (Grade 1) over 2450m. GOOD COUNCIL is the only one that has won over a marathon distance and gets the vote. BILLY BOWLEGS, EYE OF THE PROPHET, ELECTRIC GOLD, PARIS PIKE, TOP SAIL, AFRICAN TORRENT, FUTURE PEARL, RULE BY FORCE and SON OF RAJ are all bred to stay but will need to prove it

Selections:

#5 Good Council, #1 Billy Bowlegs, #2 Eye Of The Prophet, #4 Electric Gold

Turffontein Standside, 01.04.2023, Race 8, Gallops, 2450m, Turf, R750.000, 15:50GMT+2

Race Summary: BLESS MY STARS is maturing and should make a gallant effort to capture the Wilgerbosdrift Bridget Oppenheimer Oaks (Grade 2) over 2450m. NONE OTHER was well beaten by her in the Classic and LADY OF POWER, RENY, SILVER HILLS and EMIRATE GINA appear held on that form line. Stablemates RARATONGA ROSE and NAMAQUA BLOSSOM have proven stamina but other inmate NONE OTHER is preferred. IPSO FACTO holds LITTLEMARYSUNSHINE and LIGHT OF DAY on recent form.

Selections:

#1 Bless My Stars, #5 None Other, #6 Silver Hills, #2 Lady Of Power

Turffontein Standside, 01.04.2023, Race 9, Gallops, 2850m, Turf, R250.000, 16:25GMT+2

Race Summary: The World Sports Betting Caradoc Gold Cup (Grade 3) could see a renewed battle between SHANGANI and NEBRAAS. Back in July they met over 2400m where SHANGANI beat his rival by a length but now meets him on 4kg worse terms. RAISEAHALLELUJAH does his best and could make the Trifecta. FLASHY APACHE, ZEUS, ARUMUGAM and IMPERIAL MASTER are looking for Quartet money.

Selections:

#2 Nebraas, #1 Shangani, #4 Raiseahallelujah, #6 Arumugam