

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: TURFFONTEIN STANDSIDE@2025.11.01

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 1, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R120.000, 12:00GMT+2

Race Summary: Competitive opener to Charity Mile Day. MAJOR ARCANA, WITCH HAZEL and the returning TINTIN made promising introductions and would've come on with the benefit of that experience. They should improve to be competitive. TIGER'S CAPTAIN was fancied on debut so can't be taken lightly on his return from a rest and gelding. MASTEROFTHEBAROQUE, ONE OF THOSE DAYS, GRAND EMPIRE and SPLITTHEEIGHTS are well-bred newcomers to take note of. The betting should provide a guide to their chances.

Selections:

#2 Major Arcana, #12 Witch Hazel, #3 Tintin, #10 Splittheights

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 2, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R105.000, 12:30GMT+2

Race Summary: Many with chances in a big field. VAMANOS and QUIET WINTER have form and experience that will stand them in good stead. TIPPERARY, GASLIGHT DANCER, STONE OF SCONE and WINTER BELLE have also shown enough to be competitive. TRULY MAGICAL fits a similar profile and should make her presence felt if building on the improvement she showed last time. After pleasing introductions, IN BETWEEN and SAKURA HANAMI should improve to get into the picture. The betting will likely provide a guide to the chances of well-bred newcomers LIEFLING, FLORAL FURY and STUBBORN LOVE.

Selections:

#5 Quiet Winter, #15 Stubborn Love, #2 Vamanos, #13 Sakura Hanami

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 3, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R250.000, 13:05GMT+2

Race Summary: First feature of the day. Highly regarded AFRICAN PRIDE has hit his straps since fitted with headgear, winning both 3yo appearances. He remains open to improvement after an impressive last-start demolition job so is good value to complete the hat-trick under bottom weight. QUANTUM THEORY sets a good standard and should give a good account of himself with cheekpieces refitted. CHIEFTAIN, SHELDON and KARATE KID are consistent performers at this level so shouldn't be underestimated. TAXI TO THE MOON and 3yo CHARMING CHEETAH have the means to get involved.

Selections:

#13 African Pride, #1 Quantum Theory, #11 Charming Cheetah, #4 Taxi To The Moon

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 4, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R250.000, 13:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Unbeaten STORMY DAY wasn't fully tuned but gave weight and a beating to her rivals when winning after a break over 1200m. She'll find this extended trip more to her liking and could improve sufficiently to preserve her unblemished record. ELEGANTRIX and TINA LOVELACE would've tightened up after recent comeback runs and are weighted to be competitive. Debut scorers OVATION STAR and WARM RECEPTION are open to any amount of improvement so must be kept onside. PRETTY PERSUASIVE should make her presence felt too over this trip.

Selections:

#6 Stormy Day, #9 Warm Reception, #1 Elegantrix, #4 Pretty Persuasive

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 5, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R400.000, 14:15GMT+2

Race Summary: TIN PAN ALLEY sets a lofty standard after confirming his 2yo promise with a Grade 2-winning reappearance (his first start as a gelding) against older rivals, and there should be more to come from him. Hat-trick seeking MIAMI MOUNTAIN and debut scorer TRUST will appreciate this

extended trip after recent 1200m wins and should improve to pose a threat. ZALATORIS, NYAKA NYAKA, WHISPERING DEATH, ONE EYE ON VEGAS and RADIO STAR are other likely improvers capable of getting into the picture.

Selections:

#1 Tin Pan Alley, #8 Miami Mountain, #2 Zalatoris, #14 Trust

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 6, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R200.000, 14:50GMT+2

Race Summary: WORLD OF ALICE made a winning comeback last week over a distance short of her best and would've blown away the cobwebs with that much-needed outing. She will be more effective over this distance and with improved fitness on her side. TEO TORRIATTE has made marked improvement fitted with cheekpieces and another competitive showing is expected after her career-best last-start victory over SOLDIER'S EYE (1kg better off). The latter should have a role to play on these terms and with blinkers fitted. WOMAN'S WORLD, POPLAR PARK, WARNING SOUND and TWOSTEP QUEEN are others with earning potential.

Selections:

#1 World Of Alice, #8 Teo Torriatte, #6 Soldier's Eye, #11 Woman's World

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 7, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R1.000.000, 15:25GMT+2

Race Summary: Top quality field for the main event. ATTICUS FINCH was a fast-finishing second in a 1450m Grade 2 last month when tried in blinkers (retained) for the first time, and any improvement over this trip from gate 1 will make him hard to beat. BUSSTOPINHOUNSLOW and CHOISAANADA are closely matched on that form and weighted to turn the tables on 2kg better terms, but both are drawn wide. CONFEDERATE bounced back to his best with a start-to-finish comeback win but he won't have things his own way from gate 14. ARISTOTLE, SPUMANTE DOLCE, CALLMEGETRIX and RODEO DRIVE complete the shortlist.

Selections:

#1 Atticus Finch, #4 Confederate, #10 Busstopinhounslow, #11 Choisaanada

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 8, Gallops, 2400m, Turf, R250.000, 16:05GMT+2

Race Summary: Best-weighted UNITED COUNCIL, course-and-distance specialist BREEZE OVER and veteran NEBRAAS are experienced performers with solid credentials at this level. MO MENT continues to defy the handicapper but this demands another career-best effort to complete the hat-trick. Prior to his recent back-to-back wins, he was beaten by re-opposing ENFLAME on similar weight terms. The lightly raced latter is a maturing stayer with low mileage so it should pay to follow his progress, especially over this extended trip after a pleasing 1800m comeback. DAIMYO and TWENTY DRACHMA'S appeal at longer odds.

Selections:

#10 Enflame, #6 Mo Ment, #3 Breeze Over, #2 Nebraas

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 9, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R135.000, 16:40GMT+2

Race Summary: PERFECT MIRACLE was thrown into the deep end after a winning course-and-distance debut, but she handled it with aplomb. She makes her handicap debut off an unchanged mark so is hard to oppose. Stablemate BLIZZARD SNOW benefits from her rider's 4kg claim and could emerge the biggest threat. CALANTHA has the form and experience to make her presence felt too if ready to roll after a lengthy absence. KINDRED HEART, after an encouraging reappearance, POBLANO and LET'S GO LOLA complete the shortlist.

Selections:

#6 Perfect Miracle, #5 Blizzard Snow, #4 Calantha, #3 Kindred Heart

Turffontein Standside, 01.11.2025, Race 10, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R105.000, 17:15GMT+2

Race Summary: UNITED OFFER outran market expectations when a narrow winner on debut and that experience will have done her good. However, the runner-up that day was beaten 4.65 lengths in her previous outing by TUSCAN ROMANCE, so it could pay to side with the latter who has thrived since relocating to the Highveld. Improving last-start winners LOST FOR WORDS and SEASON'S GREETINGS warrant respect, as do 3yo fillies FULLY COMMITTED, LIMERICK LACE and CAPTAIN SELVIE. Hard-knockers WHIRLYBIRD and TIME FOR CHARITY appeal at longer odds.

Selections:

#3 Tuscan Romance, #4 United Offer, #2 Limerick Lace, #7 Lost For Words

Best Win: #6 PERFECT MIRACLE

Best Value Bet: #13 AFRICAN PRIDE

Best Longshot: #13 AFRICAN PRIDE