

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: TURFFONTEIN STANDSIDE@2024.04.06

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 1, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R135.000, 12:00GMT+2

Race Summary: VIBE SA has been costly to follow but a change in surroundings could see him get it right. SO SEDUCTIVE should be at peak fitness after a long break - be right there. LETS PLAY POKER was backed when runner-up in both starts and it could be 3rd time lucky. HIS LORDSHIP, GOLD AGENT as well as SOMEDAY MAYBE could get into the Quartet. Watch Newcomer INGQWELE. The rest are hoping for minor money.

Selections:

#6 Lets Play Poker, #7 So Seductive, #1 Vibe Sa, #5 His Lordship

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 2, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R350.000, 12:35GMT+2

Race Summary: The Wilgerbosdrift SA Fillies Nursery (Grade 2) over 1160m sees unbeaten ALMOND SEA hard to oppose - she should make it 4 in a trot. She easily holds JUST RECKLESS who wasn't comfortable last time and could narrow the gap. YOU BRING ME JOY, IT'S HER WAY, ACROSS THE POND, LITTLE BALLERINA, MOUNTAIN HIGH and debut winner FAMOUS LADY could take home minor money.

Selections:

#2 Almond Sea, #7 Little Ballerina, #8 Mountain High, #5 It's Her Way

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 3, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R500.000, 13:10GMT+2

Race Summary: PISTOL PETE could add the TAB SA Nursery (Grade 2) over 1160m to his unbeaten record and make it 4 on the trot. PROCEED could challenge though he was beaten by 3 lengths by PISTOL PETE but the latter has come on so respect. FIRE ATTACK, MOUNT PINATUBO, DANTONFROMSANDTON and FINE ONE are necessary for Trifectas and Quartets

Selections:

#7 Pistol Pete, #8 Proceed, #5 Fire Attack, #6 Mount Pinatubo

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 4, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R500.000, 13:45GMT+2

Race Summary: The TAB Hawaii Stakes (Grade 2) over 1400m will be interesting. LUCKY LAD was a hot favourite when he went wrong last year behind winner SANDRINGHAM SUMMIT at Hollywoodbets Greyville, however, he is back for a rematch. Well above average WHITE PEARL cannot be ignored, carrying 4.5kg less on her back. AT MY COMMAND and UNZEN could prove best of the rest.

Selections:

#7 Sandringham Summit, #8 Lucky Lad, #10 White Pearl, #3 Unzen

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 5, Gallops, 2450m, Turf, R750.000, 14:20GMT+2

Race Summary: Usually playing 2nd fiddle to star stablemate Gimme A Nother, SILVER SANCTUARY deserves her day in the sun and could capture the Wilgerbosdrift Bridget Oppenheimer SA Oaks (Grade 2) over 2450m. LET'S GO NOW should stay every inch of the trip and is a serious threat. The remaining runners are no slouches, and any could fill the minor placings.

Selections:

#1 Silver Sanctuary, #3 Let's Go Now, #4 Beating Wings, #2 My Soul Mate

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 6, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R1.000.000, 14:55GMT+2

Race Summary: The TAB Empress Club Stakes (Grade 1) for fillies and mares over 1600m sees GIMME A NOTHER at short odds-on to claim the prize. She is unbeaten and is looking for her 7th win. Stable companion HUMDINGER, as well as BAVARIAN BEAUTY and MRS GERIATRIX, look likely to chase her home.

Selections:

#6 Gimme A Nother, #7 Mrs Geriatrix, #8 Bavarian Beauty, #1 Humdinger

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 7, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R1.000.000, 15:30GMT+2

Race Summary: Honest THUNDERSTRUCK could add another notch to his belt by taking the Jonsson Workwear Computaform Sprint (Grade 1) over 1000m. DYCE never got into it last time but on his day should be right there. GOLDEN SICKLE is on a roll and looking for 5 straight wins - she should make a race of it. Stablemate RULERSHIP could make the money while versatile WILLIAM ROBERTSON will be coming at them late.

Selections:

#3 Thunderstruck, #1 Dyce, #12 Golden Sickle, #2 William Robertson

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 8, Gallops, 2450m, Turf, R1.250.000, 16:05GMT+2

Race Summary: PURPLE PITCHER jumps up in distance but is bred for it - the TAB SA Derby (Grade 1) over 2450m is for the taking. HOTARUBI could make up the three-length deficit over the extra distance. Proven stayer TWENTY DRACHMA'S must be there with a chance and warrants inclusion in exotics. On current form PURE PREDATOR is another for the shortlist. MARAUDING HORDE is maturing and could complete a foursome. PRESLEY needs to prove he can be as effective over marathon trips.

Selections:

#1 Purple Pitcher, #3 Pure Predator, #9 Twenty Drachma's, #2 Hotarubi

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 9, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R2.000.000, 16:45GMT+2

Race Summary: The World Pool Premier's Champions Challenge (Grade 1) over 2000m looks the most competitive event on the card. DAVE THE KING, WINCHESTER MANSION, ROYAL VICTORY and MERIDIUS are some for the shortlist. Others to consider are PUERTO MANZANO (lame last time), COUSIN CASEY (hampered last time), ZEUS (coughing last time), WITHOUT QUESTION (3rd in Met) and SON OF RAJ (peak run).

Selections:

#7 Royal Victory, #5 Winchester Mansion, #1 Dave The King, #8 Son Of Raj

Turffontein Standside, 06.04.2024, Race 10, Gallops, 2850m, Turf, R300.000, 17:20GMT+2

Race Summary: Weight could count in the 4Racing Listed Caradoc Gold Cup over 2850m. Top weighted NEBRAAS has to give bottom weighted challengers POSITIVE ATTITUDE, RED MAPLE, BREEZE OVER and IPSO FACTO 10kg which could prove difficult over this trip. CRIMSON KING, GOOD COUNCIL and BLACK THORN are not to be ignored.

Selections:

#14 Positive Attitude, #8 Red Maple, #9 Breeze Over, #7 Ipso Facto

Best Win: #6 GIMME A NOTHER

Best Value Bet: #14 POSSITIVE ATTITUDE

Best Longshot: #14 POSSITIVE ATTITUDE

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: KENILWORTH@2024.04.06

Kenilworth, 06.04.2024, Race 1, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R135.000, 12:20GMT+2

Race Summary: Good race. WHITE WATERS and KINDA WONDERFUL made encouraging introductions and are likely to improve with that experience, so could fight it out. HUNGA TONGA also caught the eye on debut so is capable of getting involved with natural improvement expected. Both SHEETS AND GOGGLES and DIXIELAND BAND have the form and experience to make their presence felt too. Newcomers POCKET DIAL and ONE GIANT LEAP are worth a market check - respect any betting support.

Selections:

#4 White Waters, #7 Kinda Wonderful, #9 Hunga Tonga, #12 Sheets And Goggles

Kenilworth, 06.04.2024, Race 2, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R135.000, 12:55GMT+2

Race Summary: Improving MAURITIUS KESTREL was only touched off over 1200m last time (gave 2kg to the winner) and ought to make further progress over this extended trip, so can open his account. TURBO TWENTY and STATED are also likely to progress over the extra after improved recent outings. ALL OUT FOR SIX, GNARLY, WOOD WORLD and newcomer HAPPY DAYS are by promising freshman sire One World - they could have more to offer over this trip. SOUND OF THE SEA wasn't disgraced in 2yo features earlier in the summer and should fare better in a maiden with that experience to count on.

Selections:

#3 Mauritius Kestrel, #10 Stated, #4 Turbo Twenty, #9 Sound Of The Sea

Kenilworth, 06.04.2024, Race 3, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R110.000, 13:30GMT+2

Race Summary: Brett Crawford runners CLIFF SWALLOW and MONKEY PUZZLE are likely to dominate. The former, twice 2nd over track and trip, wouldn't be winning out of turn and is preferred to his stablemate who should have more to offer after an eye-catching reappearance last month when a fast-finishing 5th. PRINCE OF TIBET, APPROACH SHOT and THE NIGHT FERRY have all shown enough to earn a cheque. WAZZUP and GO IT ALONE complete the shortlist.

Selections:

#10 Cliff Swallow, #2 Monkey Puzzle, #5 Prince Of Tibet, #4 Approach Shot

Kenilworth, 06.04.2024, Race 4, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R85.000, 14:05GMT+2

Race Summary: Tricky. ETOILEFILLANTE has improved to finish 2nd in both starts with blinkers fitted, so shouldn't be long in opening his account. FRENCH TRIP and IGUGULETHU have failed to build on early promise but retain the means to have a say in the outcome, despite wide starting berths. It could, however, pay to side with improving TSUNAMI WARNING, who ran on well from a long way back to finish a close-up 2nd over track and trip last time. KING OF NUMBERS could improve trying this trip in his peak outing.

Selections:

#10 Tsunami Warning, #5 Etoilefillante, #12 Igugulethu, #9 King Of Numbers

Kenilworth, 06.04.2024, Race 5, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R120.000, 14:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Tricky. Last-start winners RADICCHIO, HOODIA and ALL ABOUT RONNIE ought to remain competitive off their current marks, BIG UNIT, BARDOLINO and OLIVER are also likely to acquit themselves well after close-up finishes over this course and distance last time out. Preference, however, is for lightly raced SLURRICANE (unbeaten over track and trip) who is probably ahead of the handicapper, despite incurring a 2-point penalty for his last-start 2nd over 1600m.

Selections:

#10 Slurricane, #6 Hoodia, #8 Bardolino, #5 Oliver

Kenilworth, 06.04.2024, Race 6, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R200.000, 15:15GMT+2

Race Summary: Leg 1 of the Winter Series for the fillies and mares. SUMMER LILY, MY FLOWER FATE and MONTELENA are closely matched on these terms on the form of their course-and-distance meeting on 6 February. The latter had previously beaten SIDDELEY and LADY MISTICO over track and trip in late December. Consistent FUN ZONE ran in both races and is better off on these terms with all 6 re-opposing rivals. Unexposed KYALAMI GIRL ran well at a higher level over 1100m out the maidens and is open to improvement going this trip for the first time. PRINCESS IZZY and TRIP TO MAPUTO have claims too. Good race!

Selections:

#3 Kyalami Girl, #4 Summer Lily, #6 Fun Zone, #9 Montelena

Kenilworth, 06.04.2024, Race 7, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R350.000, 15:50GMT+2

Race Summary: Grade 3 Variety Club Mile is Leg 1 of the Winter Series for horses aged three and older. RASCALLION bounced back to his best with blinkers refitted to finish 2nd in the Grade 1 Cape Town Met 10 weeks ago and a repeat of that effort will make him hard to beat. He may, however, have competition for the lead with MONTIEN and WECANGOALLNIGHT proven frontrunners - though the latter was impressive when ridden cold to win over 1400m last time. Both PORT LOUIS and WE'RE JAMMING (unexposed at this trip) are held on that form. PACAYA had excuses for his Met no-show but has the ability to challenge.

Selections:

#5 Rascallion, #11 Pacaya, #3 Montien, #8 Wecangoallnight

Kenilworth, 06.04.2024, Race 8, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R135.000, 16:25GMT+2

Race Summary: Competitive sprint. MEU CAPITANO confirmed the improvement of his comeback run (after gelding) by winning over track and trip last time and a resultant 3-point penalty may not be enough to prevent him from following up, with further progress expected of him. AXL (2nd), GIMMELIGHTNING (3rd) and PARATROOPER (5th) are all weighted to turn the tables on these terms revised terms. BEERENBERG and ALL ABOUT AL have a bit to find but aren't incapable of staking claims either. BENJAMIN can also surprise.

Selections:

#6 Meu Capitano, #11 Gimmelighting, #1 Axl, #12 All About Al

Kenilworth, 06.04.2024, Race 9, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R85.000, 17:00GMT+2

Race Summary: SHIFTING PATH held his form in 3 starts at this level off a slightly higher mark and recently changed hands. He has a good opportunity to make a winning start for his new trainer/owner. BENEATH THE MOON, SEEKING PEACE, ROYAL LYTHAM and WHY NOT JACKIE are closely matched on the form of a recent course-and-distance meeting, so any one of them could emerge as a threat. COUNTRY TIME has a big weight to carry but drops considerably in class, so can't be underestimated.

Selections:

#1 Shifting Path, #3 Seeking Peace, #2 Beneath The Moon, #11 Country Time

Best Win: #1 SHIFTING PATH

Best Value Bet: #10 TSUNAMI WARNING

Best Longshot: #10 TSUNAMI WARNING