

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: KENILWORTH@2024.08.10

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 1, Gallops, 1100m, Turf, R110.000, 12:10GMT+2

Race Summary: MON PETIT CHERIE confirmed the promise of her debut 3rd by finishing 2nd over 1200m eight weeks ago. She ought to have improved since so it could pay to follow her progress. PINK MOON (1kg better off) finished ahead of CHAMPAGNE KISSES over 1200m last time and is weighted to confirm that form, but the latter is unexposed and has more scope for improvement - wouldn't be a surprise if the tables were turned. Well-related OCTOBER FEST is another to keep an eye on after a pleasing introductory outing from which she would've learned plenty. Newcomers SUPERIOR and NOODSBERG are worth a market check.

Selections:

#2 Mon Petit Cherie, #10 Champagne Kisses, #1 Pink Moon, #8 October Fest

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 2, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R110.000, 12:45GMT+2

Race Summary: Good quality maiden. SUMMER SNOW has been costly to follow but boasts the form and experience to remain competitive. However, riding arrangements suggest stablemate KING'S QUEST is preferred. The latter showed promise on debut, finishing a close-up 3rd behind a more experienced rival, and is likely to have come on appreciably with the benefit of that outing/experience. CAPTAIN WEST ran well in both starts as a 2yo late last season and should have more to offer this term, so could fight it out. Watch the betting on well-bred newcomers AFRIQUE and 5yo gelding AMAZING.

Selections:

#7 King's Quest, #8 Captain West, #4 Summer Snow, #11 Afrique

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 3, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R110.000, 13:20GMT+2

Race Summary: RED DAWN has improved with each outing and should have a role to play if making further progress. PLUS FOUR finished 3rd over 1600m in his last start and returns from a 7-month layoff, though he did run well on debut over this trip so shouldn't be underestimated. DALMENY FACTOR and GOOD SHINE would've gained valuable experience from their pleasing introductions and both/either could get into the picture with natural improvement expected. BLACK CHERRY caught the eye on his local and stable debut after a lengthy absence (4th over track and trip) and won't need to improve much to open his account.

Selections:

#2 Black Cherry, #1 Red Dawn, #7 Mr Fox, #6 Tam's Knight

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 4, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R110.000, 13:55GMT+2

Race Summary: Competitive maiden. JACK IN THE GREEN and CUMBRE VIEJA continue to beat at the door of a maiden victory - neither would be winning out of turn. Both are fitted with blinkers for the first time and that could eke out the necessary improvement. CHAMPONELLE also has the form and experience to play a leading role. Well-bred CITY OF PORT LOUIS is dangerous to discount given the likelihood of improvement over this distance after 2 satisfactory/introductory sprints. GROOVEJET was 2nd over track and trip last time (first 1600m start) and should go one better with a repeat of that performance.

Selections:

#3 Groovejet, #6 Cumbre Vieja, #4 City Of Port Louis, #5 Jack In The Green

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 5, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R85.000, 14:30GMT+2

Race Summary: STATE CAPITOL has run her best races over this distance and a repeat of her last-start

2nd nine days ago should be enough to break her duck. POCKET DIAL improved for the step-up to 1400m in her last start when finishing ahead of re-opposing WHITE WATERS (1kg worse off). She ought to confirm her superiority over that rival on better weight terms, especially with the extra 200m likely to unlock further progress. VOORSMAAKIE also showed signs of progress last time in her first go at this trip so could get into the picture if building on that improvement. BLIND FAITH has a money chance.

Selections:

#1 State Capitol, #2 Pocket Dial, #3 White Waters, #10 Voorsmaakie

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 6, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R135.000, 15:05GMT+2

Race Summary: FUTURE TURN has rediscovered his form and consistency in the 3 starts dropped to his current mark. He also has the benefit of a recent outing (7 days ago) under his belt and that superior fitness should stand him in good stead. Stablemates NEVADA KING and NAVY STRENGTH are proven performers who are on workable/competitive marks, so they could make life difficult. Brett Crawford-trained runners BLUE BAY and INFRARED (rested and gelded since last seen) are lightly raced 4yo geldings with scope to improve. Both have shown enough to stake a claim returning from a layoff. Others can get involved!

Selections:

#5 Future Turn, #1 Nevada King, #4 Infrared, #2 Blue Bay

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 7, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R165.000, 15:40GMT+2

Race Summary: A case could be made for all 7 runners. Justin Snaith is strongly represented, and his 5 runners should dominate although preference is for PACAYA who was too far back (gave the leader/winner too much of a head start) when running on to finish 2nd in a 1950m Grade 3 last time out. He won his previous outing over this distance - beating OTTO LUYKEN and RAPIDASH - and should confirm that form and his superiority. Stablemate SACHDEV caught the eye in a 1600m feature in his last start and could pose a threat with a repeat of that performance in his peak outing. Consistent LOVE IS A ROSE has claims too.

Selections:

#1 Pacaya, #4 Sachdev, #3 Love Is A Rose, #7 Rapidash

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 8, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R135.000, 16:15GMT+2

Race Summary: Good race. GREEN MANDARIN completed his hat-trick with a last-start course-and-distance win under a 6-point penalty. He is at the top of his game and unbeaten in 3 starts over 1800m, so a further 3kg (6-point) penalty and step-up in class may not be enough to prevent him from extending that winning sequence. He will, however, have to thwart fellow last-start winner CORONATION TIME who returned from a break with a 1950m success at a higher level. He will strip fitter so should fight for victory off an unchanged mark. MIDWAY, ALADDIN'S LAMP and DAIMYO are also likely to be involved in the finish.

Selections:

#1 Green Mandarin, #3 Coronation Time, #2 Royal Invitation, #7 Daimyo

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 9, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R120.000, 16:50GMT+2

Race Summary: Last-start maiden winners ROCKING PEONIE and EUREKA DIAMOND should make their presence felt if building on recent course-and-distance success. The former has improved with blinkers and ought to remain competitive with the headgear retained, while the well-bred latter will welcome any rain having improved to win at long odds in her first start on a rain-affected track. PHILOSOPHISE, another recent winner, would've tightened up since her 1250m comeback success and this extended trip will also be more to her liking. Returning HAMPSTEAD HEATH isn't taken lightly with

first-time blinkers applied.

Selections:

#4 Hampstead Heath, #2 Philosophise, #3 Eureka Diamond, #1 Rocking Peonie

Kenilworth, 10.08.2024, Race 10, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R85.000, 17:25GMT+2

Race Summary: A tricky 'Lucky Last' featuring 3 last-start winners, two over this distance. PROTECT THE DREAM made marked improvement in her first start go at this trip to shed her maiden tag and will need to confirm that form/progress to follow up. CLOUD CHASER impressed when winning over course and distance last week, running on from a long way back to win going away, and her 5-point penalty shouldn't halt her momentum. Preference, however, is for improving SCARLET MACAW who appreciated the step up to 1250m to open her account last month and this extended trip is likely to eke out further improvement.

Selections:

#9 Scarlet Macaw, #3 Cloud Chaser, #5 Veronique, #1 Protect The Dream

Best Win: #1 STATE CAPITOL

Best Value Bet:

Best Longshot: #2 BLACK CHERRY

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: TURFFONTEIN STANDSIDE@2024.08.10

Turffontein Standside, 10.08.2024, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R90.000, 12:25GMT+2

Race Summary: LADY OF ARC made an encouraging 2yo debut over 1160m against winners. She would've improved appreciably with the benefit of that outing and it could pay to follow her progress. HEY JULIA has the form and experience to make life difficult for that rival, though a bigger threat could come from well-bred newcomers ONO NO KOMACHI and BAKWENA, especially if the market speaks in their favour.

Selections:

#5 Lady Of Arc, #7 Ono No Komachi, #1 Hey Hey Julia, #3 Bakwena

Turffontein Standside, 10.08.2024, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R90.000, 13:00GMT+2

Race Summary: Tricky. KARATE KID and INSPECTOR JAMES made encouraging debuts and are likely to fight out the finish with improvement expected given the benefit of that experience. However, the former posted a better speed figure over slightly further, so is marginally preferred. KWAGGA BLITZ, POTBERRIE and BUSSTOPINHOUNSLOW could also make their presence felt if building on the progress of career-best last-start performances.

Selections:

#6 Karate Kid, #5 Inspector James, #4 Busstopinhounslow, #1 Kwagga Blitz

Turffontein Standside, 10.08.2024, Race 3, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R90.000, 13:35GMT+2

Race Summary: CONFEDERATE caught the eye when finishing 2nd on debut over 1400m in open company and needn't improve much to open his account. TOWERS OF GOLD has finished 3rd in two introductory sprints and is open to any amount of improvement over this extended trip, so can challenge for race honours. HIGH QUEUE, ZAFAR and HEROIC ACT reassured with improved last starts and could also have a say if confirming that form/progress.

Selections:

#8 Confederate, #9 Towers Of Gold, #1 High Queue, #6 Zafar

Turffontein Standside, 10.08.2024, Race 4, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R90.000, 14:10GMT+2

Race Summary: CITY LIGHTS has finished 2nd or 3rd three times each in her last 7 starts, so wouldn't be winning out of turn. She also isn't likely to find a better opportunity to shed her maiden tag. SILVER FLARE made a promising stable/Highveld debut with a fast-finishing and close-up 3rd over 1450m and she needn't improve a great deal to pose a threat to the selection. SILKY JET is 6.5kg better off than that rival and ought to get closer as a result. Both FETCHING FLYER and SHES EVERYTHING could have more to offer stepping up to this distance, so are others to consider.

Selections:

#1 City Lights, #4 Silver Flare, #3 Silky Jet, #8 Fetching Flyer

Turffontein Standside, 10.08.2024, Race 5, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R80.000, 14:45GMT+2

Race Summary: Consistent top-weight STREWN SKY and familiar foe MOUNT DARWIN are closely matched on the form of an 1800m meeting on this track in May. The latter finished 0.10 lengths ahead of his re-opposing rival and is good value to confirm that form/his superiority on 1.5kg better terms. KUDZU hasn't been seen since February but on the strength and consistency of his form warrants serious respect on his reappearance. FUSHIMI INARI had excuses for a disappointing last start and retains the ability to stake a claim, while COPPER MIST has both the form and experience to make his presence felt too.

Selections:

#2 Mount Darwin, #1 Strewn Sky, #5 Fushimi Inari, #3 Copper Mist

Turffontein Standside, 10.08.2024, Race 6, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R120.000, 15:20GMT+2

Race Summary: MERIDIUS made no impression in the 2200m HWB July from a wide draw but is distance suited and is favourably treated by these conditions, so ought to make amends with Muzi Yeni (who partnered him to victory over track and trip in his previous start) reunited. PYROMANIAC bounced back to form with the blinkers refitted last time and could pose the biggest threat with a repeat of that performance. SAVANNAH STORM and FLASHY APACHE are better than their disappointing last starts suggest and could complete the minors ahead of STREET ART.

Selections:

#1 Meridius, #5 Pyromaniac, #4 Savannah Storm, #6 Flashy Apache

Turffontein Standside, 10.08.2024, Race 7, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R120.000, 15:55GMT+2

Race Summary: Tricky. RULERSHIP and stablemate CAPTAIN HINDSIGHT are closely matched on recent form over 1000m and the latter has a better record over track and trip so can confirm that form. Best-weighted TROPPO VELOCE returned to form with an encouraging last start and is likely to play a leading role with the tongue-tie refitted. However, preference is for versatile last-start winner SILENT WAR who scored over 1100m on this course last month. ANFIELDS ROCKET, HALBERDIER and MOUNT PILATUS are also capable of having a say in the finish. QUANTUM THEORY and POWER BROKER complete the shortlist.

Selections:

#8 Silent War, #6 Troppo Veloce, #3 Captain Hindsight, #1 Rulership

Turffontein Standside, 10.08.2024, Race 8, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R110.000, 16:30GMT+2

Race Summary: Good race. BOB'S YOUR UNCLE was rewarded for consistency with a last-start success over 1200m but is more effective over this extended trip, so could defy a resultant 2-point

penalty. OPEN HIGHWAY and MAX THE MAGICIAN are closely matched on recent form and should acquit themselves competitively, while WARHAWK BOMBER has the means to stake a claim too, and shouldn't be hastily condemned for a disappointing last start. Returning SURYAVARMAN and stablemate HOUSE OF ROMANOV appeal most of the remainder.

Selections:

#7 Bob's Your Uncle, #6 Open Highway, #1 Warhawk Bomber, #5 Max The Magician

Turffontein Standside, 10.08.2024, Race 9, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R85.000, 17:05GMT+2

Race Summary: SOUTHERN BLAZE returned to winning ways last time in a similar contest over 1450m and a resultant 3-point penalty which is negated by his rider's 2.5kg apprentice allowance, so is good value to follow up. Fellow last-start winner KING'S RANSOM is also likely to remain competitive, despite his 4-point penalty. MOONLIGHT TRADER is relatively unexposed and a return to this distance ought to spark the improvement needed to play a leading role. Both KOTINOS and GOLDEN PAVILLION have the means to also stake a claim in the finish. ARCHIMIDES and PRINCE OF KILDARE have place prospects.

Selections:

#2 Southern Blaze, #1 King's Ransom, #7 Moonlight Trader, #6 Golden Pavilion

Best Win: #1 CITY LIGHTS

Best Value Bet:

Best Longshot: #8 SILENT WAR