

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: DURBANVILLE@2021.09.18

Durbanville, 18.09.2021, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R72.000, 13:30GMT+2

Race Summary: EMPIRE GLORY wasn't disgraced in a handicap last time and is likely to fare better back in a maiden. MIDNIGHT COWBOY and recently gelded BONANZA have scope and could improve to take home a cheque. Well-related IMPOSING ANGEL gets weight from her male rivals and should make her presence felt under a 1.5kg claimer. POLTERGEIST will be hard to beat, though, with natural improvement likely after a promising debut 2nd. Newcomers STATE OF SHOCK and DOUBLE DUET need not be special to play a role.

Selections:

#6 Poltergeist, #8 Imposing Angel, #1 Empire Glory, #2 Bonanza

Durbanville, 18.09.2021, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R72.000, 14:05GMT+2

Race Summary: ARCTIC ICE has been 2nd in 3 of her last 4 starts, all over this trip. She is likely to play another leading role and wouldn't be winning out of turn. Improving ANTICO AMORE showed good pace over 1250m when 3rd last time and on that evidence should have more to offer over this trip from the best draw. WHAT A BLIZZARD will be wiser to the task after a pleasing introduction so should be competitive. Newcomers DOLLAR A DIME and FALLO ANCORA are worth a market check and could get a look-in.

Selections:

#3 Antico Amore, #1 Arctic Ice, #8 What A Blizzard, #4 Dollar A Dime

Durbanville, 18.09.2021, Race 3, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R72.000, 14:45GMT+2

Race Summary: Tricky. SKY GOD has been costly to follow but is worth another chance reverting to this distance. ADMIRAL'S RANSOM could have more to offer going this trip for the first time, which also applies to DRENGS FERRY who gets weight off the back from an inside gate. GLOBAL ALLY, NAVY STRENGTH, OVER TWO YOU and SHAPE OF MY HEART are all likely improvers after relatively modest introductions. Well-bred TOP QUALITY is one to note on debut and warrants respect - comments from the yard are encouraging, so watch the betting.

Selections:

#2 Sky God, #9 Top Quality, #3 Admiral's Ransom, #6 Navy Strength

Durbanville, 18.09.2021, Race 4, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R72.000, 15:20GMT+2

Race Summary: DOUBLE SUPERLATIVE has run 2 promising races over 1200m and should confirm that going this trip. He got going late from a hopeless position last time out and on that evidence will be well suited by the step-up to this distance - hard to beat. SON OF SILK has disappointed in his 2 most recent outings but is likely to pose the biggest threat to the selection if rediscovering his earlier form. Well-bred duo of I WANT IT ALL and SILENT WAR are likely improvers after quiet introductions, so must be respected. Hard to make a case for the others.

Selections:

#3 Double Superlative, #1 Son Of Silk, #8 Silent War, #4 I Want It All

Durbanville, 18.09.2021, Race 5, Gallops, 1250m, Turf, R83.000, 15:55GMT+2

Race Summary: KASIMIR is slung in under the conditions but disappointed last time under favourable conditions in a similar contest, so could be worth opposing. PLEASEDTOMEETYOU has a bit to find on these terms but gets 4.5kg from that rival and is in good form, so makes more appeal. Speedy BARNEY MCGREW finished ahead of KASIMIR on identical weight terms last time, albeit over 1000m, and is weighted to confirm if as effective over the extra. GAINSFORD and MISTER VARGUS are usually

consistent sorts who aren't without chances either. SUPER SILVANO is both consistent and versatile, so has claims too. Good race!

Selections:

#2 Pleasedtomeetyou, #1 Kasimir, #4 Gainsford, #6 Barney Mcgrew

Durbanville, 18.09.2021, Race 6, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R72.000, 16:30GMT+2

Race Summary: Small but competitive line-up. PERSISTANCE was only outrun late having led for much of the way under a big weight last time and on 3kg better terms could turn the tables on last-start conqueror POWER GRID. The latter capitalised on a decreasing rating to score over track and trip recently and is likely to be in the thick of things again, despite a resultant 4-point penalty. ROSTROPOVICH may have a prior engagement but is in good form and is likely to have a say if taking his place. TRAVEL MASTER drops in class and could get a look in too.

Selections:

#3 Persistence, #1 Power Grid, #2 Wordsworth, #5 Rostropovich

Best Win: #6 POLTERGEIST

Best Value Bet:

Best Longshot: #3 PERSISTANCE