

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: TURFFONTEIN STANDSIDE@2026.04.19

Turffontein Standside, 19.04.2026, Race 1, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R105.000, 12:15GMT+2

Race Summary: Youngster DADS DREAM would have needed his last start (against winners) after gelding and should improve back in maiden company over this shorter trip with first-time blinkers fitted. Older fillies WISPINTHEWILLOW and GATHERING WINTER have the form and experience to also fight out the finish.

Selections:

#5 Dads Dream, #3 Wispinthewillow, #4 Gathering Winter, #2 God's Country

Turffontein Standside, 19.04.2026, Race 2, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R130.000, 12:50GMT+2

Race Summary: SHERIFF BILL BROWN took a big step forward from his debut outing to finish 2nd over a shorter trip last time and could improve sufficiently over this extended distance to go one better. ONE STATE is also open to any amount of improvement stepping up to this distance on his reappearance following a rest during which he was gelded. Watch the betting on newcomers RAFF'S ORACLE, STUTTER'S MILL and SNAP YOUR FINGERS.

Selections:

#6 Sheriff Bill Brown, #4 One State, #8 Snap Your Fingers, #5 Raff's Oracle

Turffontein Standside, 19.04.2026, Race 3, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R120.000, 13:25GMT+2

Race Summary: DOESYOURMOTHERKNOW and IMPRESSIVE improved after pleasing introductions to finish a close-up 3rd last time. Both will have more to offer so should play leading roles. PROPHECIES was collared late when finishing a game-in-defeat 2nd over 1600m so could be hard to peg back over this shorter trip with 2.5kg off the back. FORRIES FAVOURITE is held on that form but has shown enough to make her presence felt. Well-bred ONWARD should know more about it after a satisfactory introduction and can have a say too.

Selections:

#1 Doesyourmotherknow, #3 Impressive, #4 Onward, #5 Prophecies

Turffontein Standside, 19.04.2026, Race 4, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R120.000, 14:00GMT+2

Race Summary: SENDAI finished a pleasing 3rd over track and trip on his Highveld debut so may be hard to beat with any improvement. QUEVANO showed early promise and was gelded after his last start so he remains open to improvement. NEBRASKA and CRONUS have shown enough to be competitive. BRAVE WAAM and well-bred WINDING POWER are relatively unexposed so shouldn't be taken lightly in first outings for new stables.

Selections:

#1 Sendai, #4 Quevano, #2 Nebraska, #5 Cronus

Turffontein Standside, 19.04.2026, Race 5, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R105.000, 14:35GMT+2

Race Summary: Stablemates GREENANDGOLD and PURPLE RAIN built on pleasing debut efforts to finish in the money over 1200m last time. On pedigree both should have more to offer over the extra 200m so they could fight out the finish. MISS RIVER DANCER fits a similar profile and her rider's 2.5kg allowance stands her in good stead. SAVARA'S PRINCESS and MASTER'S ROSE have the form and experience to also make their presence felt.

Selections:

#10 Purple Rain, #8 Greenandgold, #9 Miss River Dancer, #3 Savara's Princess

Turffontein Standside, 19.04.2026, Race 6, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R200.000, 15:10GMT+2

Race Summary: CHRONICLE KING made all under a big weight when winning a similar 1700m contest after a break. He carries a 1-point penalty but will strip fitter so rates the horse to beat. SUNSET RIOT is at the top of his game after back-to-back 1400m wins and could pose a threat off a career-high mark, even over this extended trip. Best-weighted KISSHOTEN acquitted herself at Grade 1 level last time and should have a say in the outcome off a 2-point higher mark in her peak outing. PRESSONREGARDLESS and WILLY MEET AGAIN appeal most of the remainder.

Selections:

#1 Chronicle King, #4 Sunset Riot, #5 Kisshoten, #6 Willy Meet Again

Turffontein Standside, 19.04.2026, Race 7, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R135.000, 15:45GMT+2

Race Summary: FUTURE DATE and KISSING MACHINE are closely matched on the form of a recent meeting and should play leading roles along with last-start winner AZALEAS FOR ALL who should remain competitive under a 3-point penalty. ART NOUVEAU and MOUNT ETNA will appreciate a return to this extended trip so could make their presence felt too. POPLAR PARK, back against same-sex opposition, and unexposed 3yo SCRALET O'HARA are not to be underestimated either.

Selections:

#1 Future Date, #3 Kissing Machine, #5 Azaleas For All, #8 Scarlet O'Hara

Turffontein Standside, 19.04.2026, Race 8, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R105.000, 16:20GMT+2

Race Summary: SAND SCRIPT relished the step up from 1160m to 1700m (with a tongue-tie fitted) when beating male rivals last time. The extra 300m should unlock further improvement so it could pay to follow her progress. SPECIAL STAR and ROSY LEMON are closely matched on the form of a recent meeting over 1800m and both should remain competitive over this extended trip. SILVER FLARE has finished 2nd in both comeback appearances and, in her peak outing, won't need to improve much to play another leading role off an unchanged mark. Recent maiden winner FUTURE GAMBLE is maturing and can get into the picture.

Selections:

#3 Sand Script, #8 Silver Flare, #2 Rosy Lemon, #1 Special Star

Turffontein Standside, 19.04.2026, Race 9, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R105.000, 16:55GMT+2

Race Summary: A case can be made for most these but the value may lie with ORANGE COUNTY whose consistency could be rewarded at this level. He drops in class, races off a reduced mark from stall No 1 with the benefit of his rider's 2.5kg apprentice allowance. Lightly raced 3yo ROYAL ENGAGEMENT could pose the biggest threat. He had STORM AHEAD, SKY PILLAR ROCK and WORLD ORDER behind him last time and is weighted to confirm that superiority. Veteran FULL GO has finished 2nd in 3 of his last 4 starts so wouldn't be winning out if turn either. REAL STUNNER, NARETOI and filly ARCTIC SILVER also have claims.

Selections:

#5 Orange County, #8 Royal Engagement, #11 Full Go, #2 Storm Ahead

Best Win: #6 SHERIFF BILL BROWN

Best Value Bet: #5 ORANGE COUNTY

Best Longshot: #5 ORANGE COUNTY