

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: SCOTTSVILLE@2021.07.25

Scottsville, 25.07.2021, Race 1, Gallops, 1750m, Turf, R80.000, 12:05GMT+2

Race Summary: It could get close between ILLICIT KISS and BRISTOLBEAUFIGHTER this time. The pair were making their debut when the former finished 4.40 lengths to the good but the latter made big improvement subsequently and has the best of the draws. Both should relish the extra, although ILLICIT KISS has had a run round a turn who could have the edge. It doesn't end there. RARE VINTAGE was eye catching last time after two no-show sprints. He relished the trip but may also have benefited from gelding. Highveld raider ANGEL OF WAR is not in town for a change of scenery. He brings fair form into it.

Selections:

#4 Illicit Kiss, #1 Bristolbeaufighter, #8 Rare Vintage, #9 Angel Of War

Scottsville, 25.07.2021, Race 2, Gallops, 1100m, Turf, R80.000, 12:40GMT+2

Race Summary: It won't take a talented first-timer to win this. The trainer comments are positive on all so follow the betting market closely. SEVENTH SONG has run many a good race and would be deserving but is having his 17th try and hasn't drawn well. Still, he must be respected. LEOPARD LADY disappointed at Greyville but was much improved when trying this venue. She can make further improvement. CHARA SANDS ran a decent race last time and could be the stable elect over BARRINGTON. The latter is ridden by Rachel Venniker who is full value for her 4kg claim. GERONIMO showed good pace last time.

Selections:

#11 Chara Sands, #6 Barrington, #2 Geronimo, #4 Proud Master

Scottsville, 25.07.2021, Race 3, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R80.000, 13:15GMT+2

Race Summary: THREE HEARTS met a decent field in a feature race on debut. She was restrained early and battled to turn it on but this looks decidedly weaker and she could make the required improvement. TRUMP MY QUEEN looks a big danger. She was eye catching on debut when running on for second. She should enjoy the longer distance but interestingly a set of blinkers has been added to her equipment. After that it is wide open. BLANCHETTA should get a blow-in as she has run many a decent race but is turning into a professional maiden, it seems. STREET DANCING could show more in her third start.

Selections:

#14 Three Hearts, #8 Trump My Queen, #5 Blanchetta, #3 Street Dancing

Scottsville, 25.07.2021, Race 4, Gallops, 1950m, Turf, R80.000, 13:50GMT+2

Race Summary: TALES OF US should have won in the Western Cape by now. He has run well over a variety of distances and could go close if ready after a rest. DEPUTY MARSHALL has the benefit a recent run at the course and has the best of the draws. His last run was not his best but he looks to have needed a faster pace. His penultimate run was good. Highveld raider JUMEIRAH GOLD made some improvement last time and races for a stable in good form. He should be right there. MASTER OF THE NORTH finished close-up in his last two on the poly. MYSTIC MASTER and CORAL COPY need to be respected.

Selections:

#4 Tales Of Us, #1 Deputy Marshall, #5 Jumeirah Gold, #9 Master Ofthe North

Scottsville, 25.07.2021, Race 5, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R80.000, 14:25GMT+2

Race Summary: FLY THE COUP was a bit unlucky to lose his penultimate over this distance. He ran a creditable race over further at the track last time and back over the minimum trip could get his head in front. SIR POM had many of these beaten when flying up from last with blinkers fitted last time. He is having his third start after a rest and with a build-up of confidence could follow up. PRINCEKRESH did everything but win and could get the better of SIR POM at the revised terms. BLAZE OF SILK and VALIENTE are both a lot better than their last efforts. KINGS ROAD should benefit from a 4kg claim.

Selections:

#7 Fly The Coup, #9 Sir Pom, #8 Princekresh, #11 Blaze Of Silk

Scottsville, 25.07.2021, Race 6, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R80.000, 15:00GMT+2

Race Summary: GAINSFORD has been his own worst enemy. He is loaded with talent but sometimes duffs the start or runs into traffic. This could be the right race for him after running a cracker in a Grade 2 last time. AQUA BOLT ran a fair race after a rest last time. His Western Cape form stands him in good stead especially a beating of GAINSFORD over this distance. He is better off at the weights and could be a leading contender on local debut. SEVENTH GEAR looks a bit better than his last race with blinkers fitted. He has drawn well and needs to be included. BURNING WINGS and HAWKER TYPHOON are not ones to take lightly.

Selections:

#8 Gainsford, #2 Aqua Bolt, #1 Seventh Gear, #7 Burning Wings

Scottsville, 25.07.2021, Race 7, Gallops, 1750m, Turf, R80.000, 15:35GMT+2

Race Summary: WILLOW'S WISH has only had two runs as a three-year-old and could still be anything. He impressed in both races and should keep on improving. But he meets some strong hard knockers. TROMSO is in the form of his life having run well on poly and turf and looks a big threat again. CAPTAIN WHO has room for improvement but may just need it after a rest. Still, he has a champion rider up. SECRET IS OURS has been a bit unlucky and again has drawn wide but must be considered. TOLTEC has dropped in the ratings and could be dangerous.

Selections:

#6 Willow's Wish, #7 Tromso, #8 Captain Who, #10 Secret Is Ours

Scottsville, 25.07.2021, Race 8, Gallops, 1750m, Turf, R80.000, 16:10GMT+2

Race Summary: Highly regarded GAVEL STRIKE is better than his first try in a feature. The marathon trip may have caught him out and a much better effort is expected even though he has drawn widest. Best drawn KAPEN PRIDE relished racing in this division last time and is expected to build on that close finish. TEICHMAN has a bit to find with KAPEN PRIDE on their last meeting but can dictate his own pace and make them chase hard. TIME TAKER disappointed a little in his latest starts but did race in a feature last time and had a valid excuse the time before. Can upset. HEY BILL is a lot better than his recent form suggests.

Selections:

#12 Gavel Strike, #1 Kapen Pride, #7 Teichman, #6 Time Taker

Scottsville, 25.07.2021, Race 9, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R80.000, 16:45GMT+2

Race Summary: Wide-open fillies and mares handicap to end. GARDENIA produced a flying finish to win her penultimate and ran another cracker from a wide draw last time. She may be looking for the longer distance. FLOWER OF SAIGON on the other hand has been racing over further which may not have suited. She ran fair races nevertheless, but back over a more suitable trip she could blossom. PRINCESS ANASTASIA battled a bit last time and the soft going may have had something to do with it. She could turn that form around in no uncertain terms. SILVER MARIA and GLORY DAYS have realistic chances as

well.

Selections:

#2 Gardenia, #12 Flower Of Saigon, #4 Princess Anastasia, #8 Silver Maria

Best Win: #6 WILLOW'S WISH

Best Value Bet: #4 TALES OF US

Best Longshot: #4 TALES OF US