

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: GREYVILLE POLYTRACK@2021.05.05

Greyville Polytrack, 05.05.2021, Race 1, Gallops, 1200m, Poly, R80.000, 12:05GMT+2

Race Summary: BAY BREEZE is bred to be quick, has the best of the draw and has the leading rider up. If comes in for betting support could be the one. However there are more first timers in it - follow the betting moves. GLOBAL SECRET made dramatic improvement in her second start finding just one better and on running style should have no problem with the polytrack. However she is dropping in distance. OFFICIAL SECRET also turned in a good run second time out but she is trying the bend and will have her work cut out. NEW ORLEANS made a fair debut and can only improve.

Selections:

#4 Global Secret, #5 Official Secret, #7 New Orleans, #1 Bay Breeze

Greyville Polytrack, 05.05.2021, Race 2, Gallops, 1400m, Poly, R78.000, 12:35GMT+2

Race Summary: MISS PUTIN and KAILENE look above average. Both are bred for the distance and further but the former has the best of the draw while the latter has the worst. However KAILENE has winning experience round the turn. It doesn't end there. SEA EAGLE caught the on debut running on strongly albeit too late to bag the win on debut. She could come on in leaps and bounds even if trying the polytrack. HEARTSEASE was a bit disappointing in open company last time but deserves another chance. BELLA SICCOME has the pedigree for this trip and more so could make improvement.

Selections:

#1 Miss Putin, #7 Kailene, #3 Sea Eagle, #4 Heartsease

Greyville Polytrack, 05.05.2021, Race 3, Gallops, 1000m, Poly, R80.000, 13:05GMT+2

Race Summary: LHASA STAR has good honest form and is ready to win. She gets the best of the draws this time and if takes to the poly surface should have every chance of winning. However she is carded to run on the 2nd of May - watch her there first before making an assessment. VARVACIOUS finally runs over the 1000 metres on the poly and it could be what she has been waiting for. But she lost her rider after flyjumping last time and needs to overcome that habit as well as the widest gate. SERENA SLAM did well from a wide draw in her third start and must be respected. She is also carded to run earlier. MEZZYOONA ran her best race here - watch out.

Selections:

#1 Lhasa Star, #9 Varvacious, #7 Serena Slam, #8 Mezzyoona

Greyville Polytrack, 05.05.2021, Race 4, Gallops, 1000m, Poly, R80.000, 13:35GMT+2

Race Summary: ASHFORD CASTLE is back in KwaZulu-Natal where he started his career off with a bang. He didn't show much after a midfield finish in a feature when trying his luck in the Western Cape region. He would have matured and may relish racing on the poly - the one to watch. DI MAZZIO would be deserving after running a cracker last time, he has a better draw today. It has been a while since he has visited the winner's box but he is an eight time winner so knows what it is all about. MAJORCA PALACE was a bit disappointing last time but it could be that he reserves his best for this venue. More with claims in it.

Selections:

#6 Ashford Castle, #2 Di Mazzio, #1 Majorca Palace, #5 Voice Notes

Greyville Polytrack, 05.05.2021, Race 5, Gallops, 1400m, Poly, R80.000, 14:10GMT+2

Race Summary: CAPTAIN OF STEALTH showed class in beating Cape Guineas winner Russian Rock on local debut. He may revive his career on the right-handed KwaZulu-Natal tracks. But he tries the poly. DUC D'ORANGE will give them all a hard time as he is a poly specialist with form in the highest division. But he races after more than three months off. CABO DA CRUZ is another coming back after a break. He is very capable and his stable has been in a bit of form of late. MORE MAGIC should have won more races by now. He jumps from a plum draw and could make it count. MAITLAND MAGIC won well and needs to be respected along with HURRICANE HARRY.

Selections:

#1 Captain Of Stealth, #4 Duc D'Orange, #8 Cabo Da Cruz, #2 More Magic

Greyville Polytrack, 05.05.2021, Race 6, Gallops, 1400m, Poly, R80.000, 14:50GMT+2

Race Summary: PURPLE NKANYEZI has been unbeatable over 1200 metres on the poly recently. She has also come in for good betting support and the blinkers has brought about a change in fortunes. She may have no problem over the longer trip as she is bred for it and can complete a hat trick of wins. CASADORO finished runner up last two and would be deserving. The only negative is a wide draw. ALFONSE BABY also has her work cut out from a deep draw. She was dangerous last time and her previous runs were decent too. If ACADEMIC GOLD doesn't need the run she could show up strongly in this.

Selections:

#2 Purple Nkanyezi, #11 Casadoro, #9 Alfonse Baby, #6 Academic Gold

Greyville Polytrack, 05.05.2021, Race 7, Gallops, 1600m, Poly, R80.000, 15:28GMT+2

Race Summary: JUAN CARLOS improved with each start before contesting big races in the Cape. He is highly regarded and having changed stables and trying the poly could show a lot more today. One for the notebooks. KAROO LARK finally got it right again last time. He could go on a winning run now that he has cracked his second win so must be taken seriously. PINK FLOYD produced good fractions from the front in the West Cape and that could stand him in good stead on the poly. TRULY WICKED produced some sparkling runs on the synthetic and is not one to take lightly either. More can upset.

Selections:

#8 Juan Carlos, #3 Karoo Lark, #5 Pink Floyd, #11 Truly Wicked

Greyville Polytrack, 05.05.2021, Race 8, Gallops, 1800m, Poly, R80.000, 16:03GMT+2

Race Summary: Wide open race and it may pay to go wide in exotic bets. ISLA MORADA ran a cracker on the turf last time and is now back on her best surface. But it has been a long while since she won a race. ABBEY WOOD ran a good race in her first try out of the maidens. The form has worked very well and she could build on that performance. Maiden MISS MISSOURI is overdue. She has the best of the draw and she may just get the job done. INTEGRITY ran a fair race on local debut and having matured could have room for good improvement. She may also appreciate the polytrack. RISE and DARK MOON DOWN need to be respected.

Selections:

#5 Isla Morada, #3 Abbey Wood, #1 Miss Missouri, #9 Integrity

Greyville Polytrack, 05.05.2021, Race 9, Gallops, 1800m, Poly, R80.000, 16:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Now that FEVER has matured he has been dominating in his league. He takes another hike in ratings and drops a bit in distance but it may not trouble him and he can make it three in a row. COOL APACHE didn't give in last time and is rounding into best form. She takes on males but has a good gate again and should be in the fray. SMART SOX has been beaten a few times by FEVER but carried more weight in those and now looks well weighted. But along with MAGARI and BRIGADE needs to overcome a wide draw. The last two mentioned caught the eye as well recently and have place claims.

Selections:

#3 Fever, #2 Cool Apache, #10 Smart Sox, #12 Brigade

Best Win: #3 FEVER

Best Value Bet: #6 ASHFORD CASTLE

Best Longshot: #6 ASHFORD CASTLE