

## RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: TURFFONTEIN STANDSIDE@2024.01.20

**Turffontein Standside, 20.01.2024, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R135.000, 11:50GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Eight runners are set to do battle in the opening Juvenile Plate and half are first-timers. Only winner is filly SIMPLY MAJESTIC who carries 0.5kg more. DANTONFROMSANDTON found no support on debut but nearly surprised - respect. Watch if money comes for the newcomers and those that have raced before this.

**Selections:**

#1 Simply Majestic, #2 Dantonfromsandton, #6 Pistol Pete, #8 Wild At War

**Turffontein Standside, 20.01.2024, Race 2, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R110.000, 12:25GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Only six runners are carded to compete. THE AFRICA HOUSE has campaigned against stronger and should have no problem with the shorter trip - his only win was on debut over the minimum distance. Two runners should give him a go - CORNWALL and TIME FO ORCHIDS. CORNWALL won both over this course and distance and could make it three from three. TIME FO ORCHIDS returned to best last time and must be considered.

**Selections:**

#3 The Africa House, #2 Time Fo Orchids, #1 Cornwall, #4 Mount Pilatus

**Turffontein Standside, 20.01.2024, Race 3, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R95.000, 13:00GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** CRIMSON FOREST is maturing now and could get off the mark - the one to beat. PERFORM and PLAY WITH FIRE should be on top of each other on their recent meeting. CRYSTAL MAIDEN hasn't been far off and should give another honest performance. ARCTIC VIXEN and TEO TORRIATTE are looking for minor money.

**Selections:**

#8 Crimson Forest, #9 Play With Fire, #1 Perform, #6 Crystal Maiden

**Turffontein Standside, 20.01.2024, Race 4, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R135.000, 13:35GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Good race. MASTER TIK TOK is improving with racing and should run a big race. THUNEE PLAYA has run close up in 3rd in all 3 runs and deserves his just reward. However, DARK SILVER, who showed good improvement in his 2nd start, should finish alongside on their recent meeting. JUDGEMENT DAY has been costly to follow but it could be his turn to get it right. FESTIVAL OF MAGIC, TAXHAVEN and difficult TO THE RESCUE could get into the Quartet.

**Selections:**

#1 Master Tik Tok, #3 Thunee Playa, #9 Dark Silver, #5 Judgement Day

**Turffontein Standside, 20.01.2024, Race 5, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R175.000, 14:10GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** MAGIC TATTOO will be at peak fitness and could confirm with ALULA'S STAR who won't go down without a fight. Top weight QUANTUM THEORY together with speedster MOVER AND SHAKER as well as TREAD SWIFTLY, who makes his debut for his new yard, could get into the reckoning.

**Selections:**

#6 Magic Tattoo, #4 Alula's Star, #9 Cliff Hanger, #1 Quantum Theory

**Turffontein Standside, 20.01.2024, Race 6, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R110.000, 14:45GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Difficult to assess. SIBERIAN STEEL has solid form but MK'S DREAMS, who makes his debut for his new yard, appears the stable elect according to riding engagements - watch. WHAT A TIGER lost his race at the start last time and could resume winning ways. KING OF VENUS won well after a lengthy lay-off and could go in again. Stablemate SILVER TUDOR has a hefty weight but cannot be ignored for money. Others are looking for minor money.

**Selections:**

#2 Mk's Dreams, #5 Siberian Steel, #8 King Of Venus, #3 What A Tiger

**Turffontein Standside, 20.01.2024, Race 7, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R200.000, 15:20GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** The Betway Swallow Stakes (Listed) over 1160m sees CULLINAN BLUE having her peak run. She has raced 3 times over this course and distance, winning twice and placed in the Nursery on the other occasion. She could complete a hat-trick and rates the one to beat. TROPPO VELOCE is no slouch and won't go down without a fight. ONE FELL SWOOP raced 4 times in her new yard for 3 wins and a place. Stablemate LEAVING LAS VEGAS could take home a cheque. WHIRLYBIRD is looking for black-type.

**Selections:**

#3 Cullinan Blue, #2 Troppo Veloce, #4 One Fell Swoop, #8 Whirlybird

**Turffontein Standside, 20.01.2024, Race 8, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R90.000, 16:00GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** RYANS BOULEVARD showed determination when winning in his first run as a gelding and could go on. PRESLEY enjoyed the extra when opening his account at this venue and this 1600m will be to his liking. GODFATHER has been threatening for his 2nd win and must be in with a big chance. Look for a good effort from MUNCHKIN. Recent maiden winner LA MOOHAL can improve further.

**Selections:**

#1 Ryans Boulevard, #8 Godfather, #2 Presley, #3 Munchkin

**Turffontein Standside, 20.01.2024, Race 9, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R110.000, 16:35GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** HAWKBILL has ability and could make the running under a relaxed ride and go all the way. YOU CANT HURRY LOVE could feature and stablemates MARDI GRAS as well as LUTHULI could challenge - the stable is firing. BANHA BRIDGE gives of his best and could get into the Trifecta. DUNGEONS, VESUVIO and THE BRIEF could make the frame.

**Selections:**

#2 Hawkbill, #4 Youcanthurrylove, #9 Dungeons, #5 Luthuli

## RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: KENILWORTH@2024.01.20

### Kenilworth, 20.01.2024, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R120.000, 12:05GMT+2

**Race Summary:** This won't take much winning and CASINO ACE makes most appeal on the strength and consistency of his form. KAAPSE HOOP gets 2.5kg from that rival and can't be written off despite a disappointing last run. Well-bred THREE COINS returns from a rest with scope to improve and has shown enough to be competitive in a race of this nature. TAM'S KNIGHT is another likely to improve after a pleasing debut effort, so must be respected.

**Selections:**

#1 Casino Ace, #8 Kaapse Hoop, #2 Tam's Knight, #6 Three Coins

### Kenilworth, 20.01.2024, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R150.000, 12:45GMT+2

**Race Summary:** IKO IKO and EXPEDITION SOUTH ought to improve with a run under the belt but are worth opposing, as any one of the well-bred newcomers could be forward enough to win on debut. Costly IMPACT INVESTOR as well as well-related colts WORLD OF PLEASURE and LEAD THE CHARGE are of particular interest on pedigree. BANFF also appeals on paper and is reported to be doing well back home.

**Selections:**

#9 Lead The Charge, #7 World Of Pleasure, #2 Impact Investor, #8 Banff

### Kenilworth, 20.01.2024, Race 3, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R150.000, 13:20GMT+2

**Race Summary:** BABELICIOUS found support on debut and showed speed over this course and distance, finishing 2nd behind a more experienced rival, so could go one better with any improvement. IN THE GREEN ZONE and GIMMEFABULOUS made encouraging introductions and are also likely to improve with the benefit of that experience so ought to be competitive. Well-related SHOWGIRL is a daughter of new sire Soqrat, whose progeny have been highly touted. The market should provide a guide to her chances on debut. CHAKPORI and CORAL BLAZE aren't without claims either.

**Selections:**

#11 Babelicious, #3 In The Green Zone, #7 Showgirl, #6 Gimme fabulous

### Kenilworth, 20.01.2024, Race 4, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R120.000, 13:55GMT+2

**Race Summary:** Tricky. KYALAMI GIRL finished 2nd in both outings as a 2yo but has not been seen since February last year, so will need to be fairly fit to be competitive on her reappearance. Newcomer CHARLOTTE BRONTE is a half-sister to Charles Dickens so will also attract plenty of interest on debut. Both HAMPSTEAD HEATH and PLUM PUDDING ought to improve after pleasing introductions so could also get involved. PRETTY PRECIOUS, GUSTO GIRL and FIRST MASTERPIECE are others capable of staking claims if building on the improvement of the latest outings. Watch the betting on first-timers SPIRIT GUIDE and BECKY SHARP.

**Selections:**

#5 Kyalami Girl, #13 Pretty Precious, #3 Hampstead Heath, #6 Charlotte Bronte

**Kenilworth, 20.01.2024, Race 5, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R120.000, 14:30GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Tricky. ENGLISH MISTRESS improved with blinkers fitted last time (over 2000m) and is good value to confirm that progress over this shorter trip. LICKETY SPLIT, WHISTLING DIXIE and BASIC MANEUVERS all stayed on well over a shorter distance in their most recent outings so ought to be better suited to this longer trip. TICKING BOMB, DEVILISHLYGORGEIOUS and SAINT BRIGID weren't beaten far over this course and distance last time and with further improvement could also make their presence felt.

**Selections:**

#3 English Mistress, #6 Lickety Split, #7 Saint Brigid, #10 Basic Maneuvers

**Kenilworth, 20.01.2024, Race 6, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R155.000, 15:05GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** A case can be made for each of these runners. COSMIC EVENT bounced back to form when staying on well over a shorter trip last time and should confirm that improvement over his preferred distance. GAINSFORD, ROYAL WATCH and NIGHT RULER are held on that form but are unlikely to be far off the action. TAMARISK TREE and AFRICAN TORRENT acquitted themselves well in a similar contest over 1800m last month and should, on the evidence on that race, have more to offer over the extra 200m.

**Selections:**

#4 Tamarisk Tree, #8 Cosmic Event, #2 Night Ruler, #7 African Torrent

**Kenilworth, 20.01.2024, Race 7, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R135.000, 15:45GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Tricky. MAGIC VERSE overcame a wide draw to win a similar contest in his first post-maiden outing and a resultant 3-point penalty is unlikely to prevent him from following up. Fellow 3yo colt WEATHER KING also made a winning post-maiden debut and while probably better suited to further, ought to be competitive despite a 6-point hike. MARSHALL FIELD and SUDDEN SONG are weighted to pose more of a threat to that rival on these terms. WILLIAM THE FIRST and GIMME MORE TIME have the form and experience to make their presence felt too, and HOLDING THUMBS is on the up and likely to improve this trip.

**Selections:**

#4 Magic Verse, #5 Weather King, #7 Marshall Field, #8 Sudden Song

**Kenilworth, 20.01.2024, Race 8, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R115.000, 16:20GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** LUNCH MONEY has improved recently brought back to sprints and he finished 2nd in his only outing over this trip, so could recapture the winning thread. SWIFT ACTION and WYLIE JACK are proven speedsters with the form and experience to fight him for victory. ESCARPMENT won his only outing over this distance and is lightly raced, so should improve to be competitive. ROYAL LYTHAM is well treated by the conditions and ought to make her presence felt as a result, while ROCK ON TOMMY and WORDSWORTH aren't taken lightly either.

**Selections:**

#9 Lunch Money, #4 Swift Action, #5 Wylie Jack, #2 Escarpment