

## **RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: TURFFONTEIN STANDSIDE@2026.06.27**

### **Turffontein Standside, 27.06.2026, Race 1, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R140.000, 11:55GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Great start to the race meeting with some smashing youngsters taking on each other. Well-bred GIMME SOME LUCK can't be faulted having won well over 1000m and 1160m straight after. The form lines are proving strong and he could be hard to peg back again. But he meets FIERCENESS who won as he liked on debut. He too is well bred, should appreciate the step up in trip and has much more to come. CATFISH impressed against his elders last time. He has a second go over the longer distance and can get closer but is carded to run earlier.

#### **Selections:**

#2 Gimme Some Luck, #3 Fierceness, #1 Catfish, #7 Sutter's Mill

### **Turffontein Standside, 27.06.2026, Race 2, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R120.000, 12:30GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** PERFECT SKY did what was required to win her second start and first at this track before a smart effort in the Devon Air Stakes at Hollywoodbets Greyville. The youngster tired late after showing good pace then and should prefer being back over the straight sprint. STAGGERWING looks a big threat. She is consistent and after winning her last start easily looks to be getting better with racing. ELUSIVE DRAGON needs to find more to win but has a say at the weights. TAX FREE made no show on the Polytrack but he penultimate run on the turf was decent.

#### **Selections:**

#1 Perfect Sky, #2 Staggerwing, #6 Elusive Dragon, #9 Tax Free

### **Turffontein Standside, 27.06.2026, Race 3, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R110.000, 13:05GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** There are first-timers in the race and as always keep an eye on betting movements. Lightly raced four-year-old RENDEVOUS IN RIO has decent form and is overdue to win. She ran a fair race in her first run after a long layoff and could get the job done for a stable in good form. FALLODON has been getting better with each start. She could give of her very best in her outing and go close. HOC EST VITA didn't run to form last time. Her penultimate effort entitles her to serious respect in this line up. One to watch out for is well-related NEW YORK GROOVE who can only improve.

#### **Selections:**

#2 Rendevous In Rio, #8 Fallodon, #9 Hoc Est Vita, #11 New York Groove

### **Turffontein Standside, 27.06.2026, Race 4, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R115.000, 13:40GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** More newcomers to watch out for including CHANCELLOR from the yard of Tony Peter, OCTOBER REEF, a Rafeef/Trippi cross and Vercingetorix colt RISING EAGLE from the powerful Mike and Mathew de Kock yard. HIGHWAYMAN HARRY met a decent two-year-old youngster last time, the form has been franked, and he must be in with a winning chance. A 1.5kg claim should boost his chances. Many with earning potential. TIGER'S CAPTAIN is back from a rest but should be right there. GIVE ME A CHANCE ran a decent race last time finishing just ahead of BERRY LANCER and ECHOES OF WAR.

#### **Selections:**

#1 Highwayman Harry, #16 Rising Eagle, #11 Chancellor, #15 October Reef

### **Turffontein Standside, 27.06.2026, Race 5, Gallops, 2400m, Turf, R130.000, 14:15GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** HOTARUBI edged out BELLEROPHON in a recent course-and-distance meeting but the latter is weighted to avenge that defeat on 2kg better terms. BATTLEGROUNDS and DAMOVA are hard-knocking stayers with the form and experience to be competitive off their current marks. ONE MORE STAR, CORRUPT and CHABAL have good recent form over the distance so could make their presence felt too. Maturing SAMUEL SHARPE also warrants respect under a light weight.

**Selections:**

#3 Bellerophon, #1 Hotarubi, #4 One More Star, #2 Battleground

**Turffontein Standside, 27.06.2026, Race 6, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R100.000, 14:50GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** TROMBOLINES and WINSTON'S WONDER are better than their recent comeback efforts suggest - both will strip fitter and should be competitive. They are closely matched on the form of a 1600m meeting earlier this year but the latter (2kg better off) could have the edge on these revised weight terms. Last-start winners ONETWOBUCKLEMYSHOE and ONE OF THOSE DAYS are open to improvement after respective absences so are best kept safe. QUEVANO, TRACKSUIT DAVE and ELUSIVE RED can get into the picture too.

**Selections:**

#2 Winston's Wonder, #1 Trombolines, #4 Onetwobucklemyshoe, #3 One Of Those Days

**Turffontein Standside, 27.06.2026, Race 7, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R110.000, 15:30GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** PRECOCIOUS lost little in defeat when beaten on the Highveld for the first time in 5 starts since relocating from Cape Town. She returns fresh after 13-weeks, racing off a 2-point higher mark but remains open to improvement, so it could pay to follow her progress. KOMATI RIVER is capable on her day but is inconsistent, while A BIT OF CLASS and UNITED OFFER could get involved if bouncing back to earlier form. Versatile VALENTINA BALDUCCI has feature-race form so warrants respect on her reappearance after a lengthy layoff. Course-and-distance specialists BLIZZARD SNOW and LOST FOR WORDS aren't ignored.

**Selections:**

#1 Precocious, #4 Valentina Balducci, #9 Blizzard Snow, #10 Lost For Words

**Turffontein Standside, 27.06.2026, Race 8, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R100.000, 16:05GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** COLD SHINE has won both Highveld appearances, the latest at this level over a track and trip under a 3-point penalty. His rider's 2.5kg allowance negates another 3-point rise so, with any improvement in his peak outing, he should complete his hat-trick and remain unbeaten in the province. Promising 2yo DADS DREAM will enjoy being back in a sprint but carries 60kg against older hard-knocking rivals. Consistent MAVERICK QUEEN would have tightened up after a pleasing comeback run and could improve to pose the biggest threat, especially off a reduced mark. SAKURA HANAMI and NKANDLA GOLD can earn too.

**Selections:**

#1 Cold Shine, #7 Maverick Queen, #2 Dads Dream, #6 Sakura Hanami

**Turffontein Standside, 27.06.2026, Race 9, Gallops, 1160m, Turf, R100.000, 16:40GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** POINTER has held her own at a higher level and made an encouraging return to form last time off her current (career-low) rating in a stronger race over 1200m, and a similar performance could suffice at this level and end a long winless spell. Last-start scorers SHE'S ALL MINE, CRYSTAL GROVE and KIA KAHA remain competitive under resultant penalties and could trouble the selection. MALSHANA MOU will enjoy reverting to sprints after a game-in-defeat 2nd from the front over 1450m last time, so she isn't taken lightly either. QUIET WINTER and ADA LOVELACE are others with earning potential.

**Selections:**

#2 Pointer, #4 Crystal Grove, #1 She's All Mine, #6 Malshana Mou

**Best Win:** #2 GIMME SOME LUCK

**Best Value Bet:** #2 POINTER

**Best Longshot:** #2 POINTER

**RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: DURBANVILLE@2026.06.27**

**HOLLYWOODBETS DURBANVILLE, 27.06.2026, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R140,000, 12:45GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** 2 MY BONNY BOY ran a great race up the straight at Hollywoodbets Kenilworth on the 2nd of June, that was his first run back after a rest and gelding, in hope that he has improved further back at home, he will be hard to beat. The well-bred newcomers add plenty of intrigue, keep a close eye on them in the market and parade ring.

**Selections:** #2 MY BONNY BOY, #4 LANDMAN, #6 FUN RUN, #3 TEQUILA TANGO

**HOLLYWOODBETS DURBANVILLE, 27.06.2026, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R90,000, 13:20GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** 8 HERITAGE RIDGE has run four lovely races in succession, she stayed on well to finish just over four lengths behind Hampstead Heath in her last run on the 21st of June, the drop in trip is key for this filly, she will run a big race here. 4 BARNEY MCGREW improved to run a much better race last time, even though he carries top weight in this race, he loves the conditions being on the softer side, he will go close to winning. 6 MAJOR APOLLO continues to slide in the ratings, he should be amongst the places on his best form, watch him closely at a decent price. 7 GALACTUS ran a fair race behind African Memoir on the 31st of May, he could sneak into the places.

**Selections:** #8 HERITAGE RIDGE, #4 BARNEY MCGREW, #6 MAJOR APOLLO, #7 GALACTUS

**HOLLYWOODBETS DURBANVILLE, 27.06.2026, Race 3, Gallops, 1250m, Turf, R125,000, 13:55GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** 2 CORK BAY quickened smartly to win a good race on the 3rd of May, he was given five points for that impressive win, he loves the conditions being on the soft side, the form of his last race has worked out well, he has a big winning chance again. 5 KELP FOREST stayed on well to finish second behind Fast Train on the 24th of May, he was unfortunately given two points for being a loser last time which is not ideal, in hope that the speed is good early, he will be low flying at them late. 7 WITCH HAZEL absolutely bolted up to win his maiden in style on the 2nd of June, he looks highly progressive, he has a big winning chance. 8 YAMAZAKI has been rested and gelded, he may find this trip on the short side, but he will be doing some good work late, watch him closely.

**Selections:** #2 CORK BAY, #5 KELP FOREST, #7 WITCH HAZEL, #8 YAMAZAKI

**HOLLYWOODBETS DURBANVILLE, 27.06.2026, Race 4, Gallops, 1250m, Turf, R110,000, 14:30GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** 4 MUSIC OF THE NIGHT fought hard to win a good race on the 31st of May, she was given three points for that win last time, on her current form, she has a big winning chance again. 6 GIRL LIKE US finished second behind Music Of The Night on the 31st of May, she needs a particular ride, if the gaps open at the right time, she will be right there in the finish, include her into all bets. 13 BLUE LAGOON was given a top ride by jockey Aldo Domeyer on the 31st of May, she was tough in the finish when beating Enticement, even though she has gone up in the ratings, she will run a big race again with the blinkers fitted. 9 RAFFISH TREND won well on the 16th of May, the drop in trip is the only concern, she will be doing some good work late.

**Selections:** #4 MUSIC OF THE NIGHT, #6 GIRL LIKE US, #13 BLUE LAGOON, #9 RAFFISH TREND

**HOLLYWOODBETS DURBANVILLE, 27.06.2026, Race 5, Gallops, 1400m, Turf,  
R100,000, 15:05GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** 8 ONE MAGIC sprinted away from the field in good style on debut, he potentially looks like a smart horse in the making, this will be tough for him as he takes on older horses out of the maidens, but if he finds himself in a good position turning for home, he can absolutely win again. 6 SUPER VIKING was just touched off by Trip To Camelot last time, it won't be easy for him with the big weight on his back, but he is very consistent, and he should run a big race again. 2 FORT YUKON stayed on well for third in his last run on the 24th of May, he never runs a bad race, from a neat draw on Saturday, his chances must be respected. 3 GIVETHATMANABELLS has dropped a point in the ratings from his last run on the 24th of May, he will be cherry ripe going into this race, include him into all bets at a decent price.

**Selections:** #8 ONE MAGIC, #6 SUPER VIKING, #2 FORT YUKON, #3 GIVETHATMANABELLS

**HOLLYWOODBETS DURBANVILLE, 27.06.2026, Race 6, Gallops, 1500m, Turf,  
R250,000, 15:45GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** 1 GRAPES OF WRATH was very unlucky last time in the Listed Somerset 1200, she is way above average this filly, she will be hard to beat now that she steps up in trip from a good draw. 3 CHINWAG stayed on well for third behind Before Sunrise on the 2nd of June, she is a big filly with a big action, she will love the extra 100m, include her into all bets. 5 FOG IN FINLAND ran a great race behind Blue Lagoon on the 31st of May, she found some traffic problems early, and then finished her race off well late, with some luck in running, she should be amongst the places. 7 SHEZARIPPER is much better than her last run, ignore that completely, in hope that she stays this trip of 1500m, she will run nicely.

**Selections:** #1 GRAPES OF WRATH, #3 CHINWAG, #5 FOG IN FINLAND, #7 SHEZARIPPER

**HOLLYWOODBETS DURBANVILLE, 27.06.2026, Race 7, Gallops, 1500m, Turf,  
R500,000, 16:20GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** 3 AQUAE CALIDAE won like a smart colt in the making on the 24th of May, the yard thinks highly of this individual, he will love the step up in trip, he has a big winning chance again from a good draw. 2 CATWALK KING powered home to win the Listed Somerset 1200 impressively on the 31st of May, that was his first run back from a rest and gelding, he can only improve, include him into all bets. 9 FROM THE ISLAND has been rested for 73 days, he won a good race last time, with some luck in running from a bad draw, he should be right there in the finish. 6 KALAHARI KING was a touch disappointing in the Grade 3 Winter Nursery, in hope that he relaxes in the parade ring, and moving down to the start, he can bounce back to his best form and be super competitive.

**Selections:** #3 AQUAE CALIDAE, #2 CATWALK KING, #9 FROM THE ISLAND, #6 KALAHARI KING

**HOLLYWOODBETS DURBANVILLE, 27.06.2026, Race 8, Gallops, 1600m, Turf,  
R80,000, 16:55GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** 1 GIVEN TO FLY was beaten just over seven lengths by Lark's Song on the 3rd of May, the drop in trip is key for this filly on Saturday, she will go close to winning from a good draw. 5 SPECIAL GLAMOUR has run two excellent races in succession, she will be right there in the finish again on her current form. 2 KISSES won well on the 31st of May, even though it wasn't a strong field, she won with plenty in hand, she can be very hard to peg back if she gets away from the field at the

right time, watch her closely. 3 PEACHES AND CREAM never runs a bad race, she tries hard, she will be given every possible chance from a neat draw.

**Selections:** #1 GIVEN TO FLY, #5 SPECIAL GLAMOUR, #2 KISSES, #3 PEACHES AND CREAM

**Best Win:** Race 6 #1 Grapes Of Wrath

**Best Value Bet:** Race 3 #2 Cork Bay