

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: SCOTTSVILLE@2026.07.29

HOLLYWOODBETS SCOTTSVILLE, 29.07.2026, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R160,000, 12:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Preview: LENOXX (3) has been knocking at the door for some time. He started as a narrowly beaten favourite last start and has put in two smart efforts on this course. SCOTS WAE HAE (8) found solid market support in a promising debut. He is relatively unexposed and Lenoxx has had his chances. NAUTICAL FIRE (5) has shown promise in his first two starts. Second run after gelding. RACHEL'S BOY (9) is way better than his last start in the soft. He gets first time blinkers. (Andrew Harrison: 8-3-5-9).

Selections: #8 SCOTS WAE HAE, #3 LENOXX, #5 NAUTICAL FIRE, #9 RACHEL'S BOY

HOLLYWOODBETS SCOTTSVILLE, 29.07.2026, Race 2, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R140,000, 13:15GMT+2

Race Summary: Preview: There was plenty of talk about GIMME A FIREBALL (3) before making his debut and although a well beaten third he should have tightened up a lot from that outing. Three-year-old SCOTCH AGAIN (1) started favourite on debut on the poly but was all at sea. He does look progressive and can make amends. FRENCH WAR LORD (5) has not been far back in two starts and can run into the money. AMC ROY ON FIRE (7) was not far back to the promising Benny And Paul on debut and likely to improve. ARKADIN (6) has had his chances but has not been too far back with 4kg claiming apprentices up and can finish in the money. (Andrew Harrison: 3-1-5-6).

Selections: #3 GIMME A FIREBALL, #1 SCOTCH AGAIN, #5 FRENCH WAR LORD, #7 A M C ROY ON FIRE

HOLLYWOODBETS SCOTTSVILLE, 29.07.2026, Race 3, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R140,000, 13:50GMT+2

Race Summary: Preview: SPARROW MAN (4) made a smart sprint debut on this course racing very green. He steps up to a mile which should be more to his liking judged on his pedigree. TRIP TO VENUS (5) was narrowly beaten over course and distance last time out with a claiming apprentice aboard and now gets a seasoned rider. THE FLAT CAT (2) has shown recent improvement after being stepped up in trip. The extra furlong should suit. UNITED TIDES (6) has not been too far back in a couple of sprints. He too should prefer the step up in trip and is one to watch in the market. (Andrew Harrison: 4-5-2-6).

Selections: #4 SPARROW MAN, #5 TRIP TO VENUS, #2 THE FLAT CAT, #6 UNITED TIDES

HOLLYWOODBETS SCOTTSVILLE, 29.07.2026, Race 4, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R125,000, 14:25GMT+2

Race Summary: Preview: HAZEL GREEN (8) was disappointing in her local debut but was taking to the poly track for the first time. Her Cape form was promising and she should have a strong chance on that form. BLENHEIM PALACE (6) has been improving with each outing. She was close-up over course and distance last time out and should contest the finish. SOHO CELEBRITY (1) made good improvement last run over course and distance. She finished just ahead of Blenheim Palace when last they met and her apprentice rider stays aboard. MAGICAL SPRING (4) was much improved last run from a wide draw in a Maiden handicap. She needs to repeat. (Andrew Harrison: 8-6-1-4).

Selections: #8 HAZEL GREEN, #6 BLENHEIM PALACE, #1 SOHO CELEBRITY, #4 MAGICAL SPRING

HOLLYWOODBETS SCOTTSVILLE, 29.07.2026, Race 5, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R150,000, 15:00GMT+2

Race Summary: Preview: SOHOT SOWHAT (9) has run two promising races on the poly. She had consistent Cape form on the turf and appears to have improved with a tongue-tie. MATCH THAT (8) tried a mile in feature company last run but came up against Eastern Cape star Anotherdanceforme. She has been rested but back to a sprint in this company she should be competitive. SEVEN NO TRUMP (2) makes her local debut. She has useful Cape form over this trip and a light weight. LIGHT OF GABRIEL (3) was not far back when lumbered with a big weight on the poly last time out. She is useful and should go well in this line-up. (Andrew Harrison: 8-9-2-3).

Selections: #8 MATCH THAT, #9 SOHOT SOWHAT, #2 SEVEN NO TRUMP, #3 LIGHT OF GABRIEL

HOLLYWOODBETS SCOTTSVILLE, 29.07.2026, Race 6, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R145,000, 15:35GMT+2

Race Summary: Preview: COAST OF THE SUN (6) shed his maiden in fine style when beating Benny And Paul who has since franked that form. Possibly a touch unlucky to have been a reserve in recent features. PHUTULICIOUS (9) has the widest draw but seldom puts in a below par performance. He has gone close in his last two over course and distance. THE MARQUEE (2) was touched off over course and distance last time out. He is seldom far back and should put in another forward showing. KLEIN KAROO (1) won first time out on the poly. The turf holds no fears and from the best of the draw he should be competitive. (Andrew Harrison: 6-9-2-1).

Selections: #6 COAST OF THE SUN, #9 PHUTULICIOUS, #2 THE MARQUEE, #1 KLEIN KAROO

HOLLYWOODBETS SCOTTSVILLE, 29.07.2026, Race 7, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R135,000, 16:10GMT+2

Race Summary: Preview: Wide open. SPIRIT OF SHIMLA (7) was a beaten favourite on the poly last run in what was a below par effort. She had consistent form prior to that and a return to her best should see her close. TREASURE ISLAND (2) is taking time for her second win but goes well over this trip and is seldom far off the winner. From the best of the draw she is a strong contender. ACT OF GRACE (4) was second best on the poly last start but her most recent win came on this course. ANOTHER DREAM (3) has dropped two points in the handicap and is also down in class. She carries top weight but is at home over this trip. (Andrew Harrison: 7-2-4-3).

Selections: #7 SPIRIT OF SHIMLA, #2 TREASURE ISLAND, #4 ACT OF GRACE, #3 ANOTHER DREAM

HOLLYWOODBETS SCOTTSVILLE, 29.07.2026, Race 8, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R90,000, 16:45GMT+2

Race Summary: Preview: Wide open. FORT USHER (1) made a promising debut behind Benny And Paul before going on to shed his maiden next time out. The Benny And Paul form has worked out well and Fort Usher, from the best of the draw can follow up. The filly CHRISTMAS ROSE (13) has a difficult draw to contend with but was a recent maiden winner over course and distance. She does look progressive and faces some modest older opposition. LA MADDALENA (11) is back over what looks to be a more suitable trip and can feature from a wide draw. SPLASH OF LOVE (2) was narrowly beaten first up out of the maidens. She is down in class and from a handy draw should be competitive in a difficult race. (Andrew Harrison: 1-13-11-2).

Selections: #1 FORT USHER, #13 CHRISTMAS ROSE, #11 LA MADDALENA, #2 SPLASH OF LOVE

Best Win: Race 6 #6 Coast Of The Sun

Best Value Bet: Race 8 #1 Fort Usher

Best Longshot: Race 3 #2 The Flat Cat