

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: DURBANVILLE@2021.05.12

Durbanville, 12.05.2021, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R57.000, 13:05GMT+2

Race Summary: PERSISTANCE has shown promise in each of his three starts, including a second in a sales race, and makes most appeal on the strength and consistency of his form. CAPTAIN MIKE was on debut and didn't finish a long way adrift of that rival so, with natural improvement, should get closer. SHESH BESH was well beaten on debut but did finish second and would've come on since, so could pose a threat. There are a number of newcomers in the line-up and the betting could provide the best guide to their chances.

Selections:

#7 Persistence, #8 Shesh Besh, #6 Gaudis Masterpiece, #5 Escape Plan

Durbanville, 12.05.2021, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R57.000, 13:40GMT+2

Race Summary: NIPPY WINTER has been fancied in each of her three starts and has run accordingly. She did, however, finish behind re-opposing MERCURY RISING last time out and the latter, who was on debut on that occasion, ought to have improved with that experience so should confirm her superiority. LOUIS' DIAMOND made her debut in the same race and didn't finish a long way adrift of that pair, so should improve. COMEDY OF MANNERS has shown enough to make her presence felt too. Well-bred newcomer AMANZIMTOTI is worth a market check - watch the betting.

Selections:

#5 Mercury Rising, #6 Nippy Winter, #4 Louis' Diamond, #1 Amanzimtoti

Durbanville, 12.05.2021, Race 3, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R57.000, 14:20GMT+2

Race Summary: VIDA FUTURA confirmed the promise of his debut fourth by following up with a second over this trip. Further improvement is expected. BACK TO YOU has a bit to find if he is to turn the tables on the former after two previous meetings. SERIOUS BUSINESS was slow away and showed signs of inexperience on debut. He would have come on appreciably for that outing so could play a leading role in the outcome if jumping away on terms. FOREVER BILL and SKY GOD are closely matched on the form of a recent meeting - both are capable of staking a claim.

Selections:

#8 Serious Business, #11 Vida Futura, #1 Back To You, #2 Forever Bill

Durbanville, 12.05.2021, Race 4, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R57.000, 14:55GMT+2

Race Summary: JET FOR TIME has improved with each outing. She was second over this trip last time out and, with further progress likely, could go one better. CALL IT FATE caught the eye on debut when staying on well over a shorter trip and, on that evidence, should improve over this distance. Stablemate WARM WELCOME debuted in the same race, was fancied in the betting market and didn't finish a long way adrift, so could pose a threat with improvement likely. WINTER SCOUT and PAM'S PRINCESS are others capable of making their presence felt if building on their most recent outings.

Selections:

#4 Jet For Time, #2 Call It Fate, #8 Warm Welcome, #9 Winter Scout

Durbanville, 12.05.2021, Race 5, Gallops, 1250m, Turf, R52.000, 15:28GMT+2

Race Summary: Well-bred SILVER FALCON made a promising debut over 1000m, staying on to take second. On that evidence, he should improve stepping up in trip so could go one better. Fellow juvenile FIFTY FIVER has solid form and is likely to build on that promise to be competitive against his elders. MR FROSTIE and WORDSWORTH have shown enough to get into the picture, although the latter will need

to feature after two disappointing recent efforts. AFRICANROYALJEWEL is a likely improver. Watch the betting on newcomers DOUGLAS and AUS BOB.

Selections:

#8 Silver Falcon, #6 Fifty Fiver, #1 Mr Frostie, #4 Douglas

Durbanville, 12.05.2021, Race 6, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R52.000, 16:05GMT+2

Race Summary: ADDERBURY LAKE outran big odds on debut but has been costly to follow since, finishing second in three of four subsequent starts. However, she is worth another chance stepping up to this trip. WHATSINADREAM fits a similar profile and is likely to pose the biggest threat, as she does have experience over this distance. RESPECTABLE MISS, who finished ahead of that rival last time, has also run well over this trip and should make her presence felt. Stable companions SONG and ORANGE BOWL have lesser claims and could complete the minors.

Selections:

#1 Adderbury Lake, #2 Whatsinadream, #3 Respectable Miss, #4 Song

Durbanville, 12.05.2021, Race 7, Gallops, 1500m, Turf, R52.000, 16:45GMT+2

Race Summary: Wide open contest. ALFRED'S GIRL is consistent at this level and does well racing from a handy position, so is likely to feature prominently from gate 6. GOLDEN DAH is closely matched with that rival on the form of a recent meeting. She will, however, need luck from the widest draw. STARBOARD is maturing and has improved with blinkers fitted. She ran well in a similar contest on handicap debut to warrant inclusion, though does appear held by re-opposing QUEEN'S CLUB. TALLAHASSEE and CRIMSON PRINCESS are both capable of getting into the picture.

Selections:

#8 Queen's Club, #1 Alfred's Girl, #11 Golden Dah, #3 Starboard

Best Win: #1 ADDERBURY LAKE

Best Value Bet:

Best Longshot: #8 SERIOUS BUSINESS