

**RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL@2020.07.09**

**Vaal, 09.07.2020, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R60.000, 11:55GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** All races are down the straight today. Of those that have raced SOUTH EAST looks the best by far. Watch the first-timers especially JONNY RIPON.

**Selections:**

#9 South East, #3 Jonny Ripon

**Vaal, 09.07.2020, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R60.000, 12:25GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** This is not a strong field and after finishing 2nd in his last 2 starts DARK TIDE should go one better. GAVS ANGEL showed vast improvement after a break and will come on heaps. PHINDA MZALA should be ready for a good showing. Look for improvement from VISIWAY, FORBE'S QUARRY and COLD FUSION.

**Selections:**

#10 Sweet Sensation, #5 Country Mile, #3 Top Drawer, #1 Imperial Twilight

**Vaal, 09.07.2020, Race 3, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R60.000, 12:55GMT+2**

**Race Summary:**

**Selections:**

#1 Dark Tide, #3 Gavs Angel, #12 Phinda Mzala, #14 Visiway

**Vaal, 09.07.2020, Race 4, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R60.000, 13:30GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** LOCAL KNOWLEDGE showed marked improvement as a gelding sporting blinkers and looks the one to beat, however, LIGHT WARRIOR and FOREVER LIGHT were not far behind him and could come on as well. NUSSPLY sports blinkers now and Striker is on fire. BARTHOLOMEUS drops in distance but the blinkers are back on and he must be considered. Look for improvement from LIQUID.

**Selections:**

#4 Local Knowledge, #8 Light Warrior, #12 Forever Light, #9 Nussply

**Vaal, 09.07.2020, Race 5, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R60.000, 14:05GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** FLASHLIGHT fought on nicely to run 2nd on debut and will know more about it. LIGHTNING LASS drifted in the betting on debut but wasn't disgraced. She will be catching late. SHOWDOWN KID is improving with racing and could have a say. INCOGNITO was a bit disappointing last time and can do better. LASS GOING WEST is looking to improve on debut.

**Selections:**

#5 Flashlight, #6 Lightning Lass, #7 Showdown Kid, #1 Incognito

**Vaal, 09.07.2020, Race 6, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R60.000, 14:40GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Difficult race. GREEK FIRE needed his last run and could win a race of this nature. EXPRESSFROMTHEUS was beaten when a strong favourite last time and could make amends. POP ICON and stable companion SOLARIZE (blinkers on) are sure to improve on their last runs. BALLON D'OR needed his first run as a gelding and will come on. Many with claims including all 3 reserves.

**Selections:**

#3 Greek Fire, #10 Expressfromtheus, #4 Pop Icon, #12 Ballon D'Or

**Vaal, 09.07.2020, Race 7, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R60.000, 15:15GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** FLAMING DUCHESS faltered after attempting to jump a shadow and should be given another chance. Stable companion GIMME HOPE JOHANNA is looking to confirm the form over her inmate and is not without a chance. ROUGE ALLURE can never be ignored for money. SWEEP OFF MY FEET is reported working well - respect. HEART OF A LEGEND and SALLY CALLED make up the short list.

**Selections:**

#9 Flaming Duchess, #5 Gimme Hope Johanna, #3 Rouge Allure, #2 Swept Off My Feet

**Vaal, 09.07.2020, Race 8, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R60.000, 15:50GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** BEFORE THE DAWN is never far back and should give another honest performance. ULLA improved after a rest and could turn it around with WINTER WATCH on 5,5kg better terms for 1,5 lengths. RAINBOW HAZE could threaten with a 2,5kgclaim. GOLD IMAGE, OCEAN CITY and MADAME PATRICE could get into the quartet.

**Selections:**

#5 Before The Dawn, #2 Ulla, #8 Rainbow Haze, #9 Ocean City

**Vaal, 09.07.2020, Race 9, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R60.000, 16:25GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** This is a moderate field and if SCARLET TIGER puts it in she could take honours - watch the betting. Roy Magner has 3 strong runners headed by consistent CLAREMORRIS. Stable mates ALLEZ LES BLEU (off a maiden win) and MIND READER have definite money chances. PERSICA can do better. If reserve PHILLYDELPHIA gets a run she could easily win it - watch.

**Selections:**

#5 Claremorris, #1 Scarlet Tiger, #7 Allez Les Bleu, #3 Mind Reader

**Best Win:** #10 SWEET SENSATION

**Best Value Bet:** #3 GREEK FIRE

**Best Longshot:** #3 GREEK FIRE