RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL CLASSIC@2019.08.15

Vaal Classic, 15.08.2019, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R95.000, 12:10GMT+2

Race Summary: This is not a strong field and first-timers MASTER OF MASADA as well as SAMBUCA could take it even if not fully wound up. TITELIST is improving nicely and could get into the picture. ROCK BREAKER sports blinkers now and could improve more. DANCING FLAME has decent form but could just need it while stable mate KILDONAN'S ROSE could improve to place.

Selections:

#9 Master Of Masada, #5 Titelist, #10 Sambuca, #1 Dancing Flame

Vaal Classic, 15.08.2019, Race 2, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R95.000, 12:45GMT+2

Race Summary: BRITANNIA QUEEN has been threatening since day one and could record a deserved victory, however, BELLE VIEW is improving fast and her form has been franked. STORM REPORT was not striding out last time and should benefit from a rest. Stable companions NYKASANGA and ST JOSEPH'S LILY finished together last time and both are looking to improve. OCEANS CHARM comes off a rest.

Selections:

#6 Belle View, #1 Britannia Queen, #2 Storm Report, #4 Nyakasanga

Vaal Classic, 15.08.2019, Race 3, Gallops, 1500m, Turf, R95.000, 13:20GMT+2

Race Summary: Tricky. DAD'S ROOTS races as a gelding now after a rest and could get his mind on things. OYSTER KING needed his first run as a gelding and will come on. CRIMSON GOD has finished close up in both starts to date and must be considered. GENERAL JACKSON is improving with racing and could get into the action. TREND MASTER raced as a gelding on debut and found no support - watch!

Selections:

#12 Trend Master, #6 Crimson God, #1 Dads Roots, #2 Oyster King

Vaal Classic, 15.08.2019, Race 4, Gallops, 1500m, Turf, R95.000, 13:55GMT+2

Race Summary: MISS CAP MALA has decent recent form and doesn't meet a strong field on what can be seen. MAZAVAROO is coming along nicely and should feature. SAUSALITO showed marked improvement in her last outing and needs to confirm. PICATRIX finished in front of ARTSCAPE last time and both are looking to improve. ROCK OF MADEIRA and WILEY KIM finished alongside on debut - form franked.

Selections:

#1 Miss Cap Mala, #2 Mazavaroo, #6 Wiley Kim, #3 Picatrix

Vaal Classic, 15.08.2019, Race 5, Gallops, 1500m, Turf, R60.000, 14:30GMT+2

Race Summary: This is not a strong field. SLEEPINSEATTLE is 8-years-old win 8 wins to his name but has lost enthusiasm, however, if reproduces his last effort could beat this lot. He is unbeaten this track and trip. WINTER CRUSADE is battling for a 2nd victory but the drop in trip could suit. ROCKY PATH showed a form return last time. SHORT AND SWEET has a shout if puts it in.

Selections:

#5 Sleepinseattle, #4 Winter Crusade, #2 Rocky Path, #3 Short And Sweet

Vaal Classic, 15.08.2019, Race 6, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R112.000, 15:05GMT+2

Race Summary: Competitive - all 8 runners in with a chance. CULTURE TRIP is maturing nicely and rates a serious runner but is looking for further. BIG BLUE MARBLE won his only try this track and trip and finished distressed last time. Ignore the last run of SUGOI on the Kimberley sand track. His form brings CERTIFIABLE into it. THE SANDS improved in blinkers and the extra should now suit.

Selections:

#8 The Sands, #1 Big Blue Marble, #3 Culture Trip, #4 Certifiable

Vaal Classic, 15.08.2019, Race 7, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R88.000, 15:45GMT+2

Race Summary: FICTITIOUS is running well and should give another honest performance. WAY OF THE WORLD needed her last outing and will make a race of it. Stable companion DREAD THE DRAGON could keep going with a 4kg claim. BAAHIR can never be ignored for money. PEAR OF SIBERIA was not striding out last time and a better run is expected. FITZWILLIAM and HOT AUGUST have quartet chances.

Selections:

#3 Ficticious, #1 Way Of The World, #5 Dread The Dragon, #6 Baahir

Vaal Classic, 15.08.2019, Race 8, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R100.000, 16:30GMT+2

Race Summary: WORDYNESS was runner-up in her last 2 and if doesn't give away too much start and relaxes should fight it out. MAZARI and ANGELIC APPEAL are also slow starters but both are capable of getting into the action. BERRY FLAMBEAU needed her last run on the Poly and the extra will suit. EX'S AND OH'S ran a shocker last time and could get back on track. ITSMYDARLIN could find it.

Selections:

#2 Wordyness, #4 Mazari, #3 Berry Flambeau, #1 Angelic Appeal