RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL@2020.01.16

Vaal, 16.01.2020, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R100.000, 12:40GMT+2

**Race Summary:** WAR ROOM won well on debut and holds a few on form. The only other runner that warrants serious respect is stable companion and first-timer SOUTH EAST. Watch the betting! PROMISE TO DREAM and newcomer KARNALLIE could make the frame.

#### Selections:

#1 War Room, #7 South East, #6 Promise To Dream, #9 Sweet Candy Woman

Vaal, 16.01.2020, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R100.000, 13:10GMT+2

**Race Summary:** MIRACLE FLIGHT won both starts convincingly and has a bright chance of completing a hat-trick. However, she concedes 5kg to all and ELUSIVE WINNER as well as DUBAWI PRINCESS could get a lot closer. GREAT STRATZ and WINTERS POWER can improve on debut. Watch newcomers BOTTOMS UP and FENELLOPEA.

#### Selections:

#1 Miracle Flight, #6 Fenellopea, #5 Elusive Woman, #4 Dubawi Princess

Vaal, 16.01.2020, Race 3, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R90.000, 13:40GMT+2

**Race Summary:** SOLARIZE has finished runner-up in both his starts and could go one better. He has drawn on the inside whereas main rival VIPER JET who has been knocking could go either way from his draw. VAR GLOW races as a gelding now and could keep up the gallop. WHARRA WHARRA disappointed last time and can do better. DANCING FLAME needed his last run and could feature.

## Selections:

#15 Solarize, #1 Viper Jet, #16 Var Aglow, #3 Wharra Wharra

Vaal, 16.01.2020, Race 4, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R90.000, 14:10GMT+2

**Race Summary:** Competitive. FIRE FLOWER finished nearly a length behind LEADING FAST—when on debut and should make enough improvement to turn it around. ALLEZ LES BLEU is never far off but struggling to crack a win. LITTLE RAIN finished nearly 2 lengths in front of ROMAN ROYALTY who was backed on debut and will come on. BID CATCHER wasn't disgraced on debut.

### Selections:

#11 Fire Flower, #1 Leading Fast, #4 Allez Les Bleu, #2 Little Rain

Vaal, 16.01.2020, Race 5, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R105.000, 14:50GMT+2

**Race Summary:** EDEN ROC drops in distance and should resume winning ways. Stable companion CARBON ATOM is improving again and forms a strong back-up. ISLE DE FRANCE has her issues but needed her last outing and could produce earlier promise. FITZWILLIAM and TOPMAST are looking for quartet money.

### Selections:

#1 Eden Roc, #2 Carbon Atom, #7 Isle De France, #3 Fitzwilliam

Vaal, 16.01.2020, Race 6, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R130.000, 15:25GMT+2

**Race Summary:** MR FLOOD came out after a year off and outpaced his field. If problem free could go on. VAN HALEN was 2 lengths behind him but is 2,5kg better off and could get closer. SCHIPPERS drops in distance and a better performance is expected. MATADOR MAN has a shout if doesn't give too

much start. MIGHTY HIGH has ability but could just need it. REBEL'S CHAMP and ROMI'S BOY can earn.

### Selections:

#5 Mr Flood, #1 Van Halen, #8 Schippers, #2 Matador Man

Vaal, 16.01.2020, Race 7, Gallops, 1500m, Turf, R80.000, 16:05GMT+2

Race Summary: OH MERCY ME should be at peak fitness and should run a big race. Stable mates THREE PEAKS and EMPRESS JOSEPHINE come off maiden wins and have scope for improvement but the former appears stable elect. LITTLEWOOD, FORTUNA DORO, SALLY CALLED, GOLDEN SPIRAL, KIRKCONNEL LASS, KAPAMA and TAHITIAN ORANA areall capable of pulling it off.

# Selections:

#12 Oh Mercy Me, #13 Three Peaks, #10 Empress Josephine, #8 Littlewood

Vaal, 16.01.2020, Race 8, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R90.000, 16:40GMT+2

**Race Summary:** Tricky race to end. HAWTHORN didn't enjoy blinkers last time and they have been removed. She is worth another chance from pole position. JIVE EXPRESS is running well but has the worst of the draws. Stable mates MOROCCAN FLAME and EVENING BELL ran below form last time and should do better. PLUMFIELD won her only try this track and trip. SAMMI MOOSA can never be ignored.

### Selections:

#14 Hawthorn, #2 Jive Express, #4 Moroccan Flame, #11 Plum Field

Best Win: #1 EDEN ROC

Best Value Bet: #12 OH MERCY ME Best Longshot: #12 OH MERCY ME