RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL CLASSIC@2019.09.19

Vaal Classic, 19.09.2019, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R95.000, 12:25GMT+2

**Race Summary:** MAY QUEEN found support at long odds on debut and after finding problems performed well to take 2nd place. She could make amends. SECRET PALACE ran on nicely after a rest and sports blinkers now - respect. ALLMYLOVING is capable but needs to put it in. Watch the many debutantes especially NU BELL, DARK SONG and DUCHESS OF WINDSOR.

## Selections:

#13 May Queen, #10 Nu Bell, #1 Secret Palace, #12 Dark Song

Vaal Classic, 19.09.2019, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R95.000, 13:00GMT+2

**Race Summary:** ANATOLIO gave a lot of cheek last time in his first run as a gelding sporting blinkers and with Striker back home could go in. LIVE BY NIGHT needs to find 0,75 lengths on him but should be right there. TOKOLOSH is improving and could get into the money. LEPRECHAUN comes off a break and shouldn't be far back. Watch Var newcomers BERGERAC and VAR AGLOW.

#### Selections:

#2 Anatolio, #6 Bergerac, #10 Var Aglow, #1 Tokolosh

Vaal Classic, 19.09.2019, Race 3, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R95.000, 13:35GMT+2

Race Summary: FIRE TO THE REIN improved heaps in his 2nd start, He has a good draw and the extra will suit. ARTISAN drifted in the betting when not disgraced on debut - expect big improvement. PERFECTLY PUTT disappointed in his post-debut but should do a lot better. DADS ROOTS races as a gelding now after a rest and must be respected. CRAZY CHARLIE has ability bit appears in and out.

# Selections:

#7 Fire To The Rein, #3 Artisan, #12 Perfectly Putt, #1 Dads Roots

Vaal Classic, 19.09.2019, Race 4, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R82.000, 14:10GMT+2

Race Summary: IRREVOCABLE DREAM won on the 2nd time of asking and looks to have plenty more to come. If relaxed early will run on strongly. MELCHIZEDEK beat ROYAL CITY (0,5kg better off) narrowly this track and trip last time and they should finish together. WESTERN OASIS needs to make up 5 lengths on them. CATEGORY FOUR must be respected if runs. Top weight ARCHILLES can earn.

### Selections:

#5 Irrevocable Dream, #2 Category Four, #9 Melchizedek, #8 Royal City

Vaal Classic, 19.09.2019, Race 5, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R88.000, 14:45GMT+2

**Race Summary:** This is a moderate line up and two hard knockers could fight it out - KIRKCONNEL LASS and KAPAMA. Both are in form at present and with 3,5kg less to shoulder the latter gets the nod. BLACK TIE improved with blinkers and could act as the hare and keep on galloping again. EMPRESS ROCK hasn't been far off and could trouble them. Others looking for minor money.

#### Selections:

#5 Kapama, #1 Kirkconnel Lass, #6 Black Tie, #7 Empress Rock

Vaal Classic, 19.09.2019, Race 6, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R60.000, 15:25GMT+2

Race Summary: Competitive, HARTLEYFOUR beat HOT AUGUST (1,5kg for 1,5 lengths) and BAAHIR(3kg better for 2,75 lengths) last time. SNOW IN SEATTLE comes into the reckoning on collateral form and it could get close all round. GEMCUTTER wasn't disgraced in his first run in his new surroundings and could get into the action.

### Selections:

#9 Hot August, #6 Snow In Seattle, #2 Gemcutter, #4 Hartleyfour

Vaal Classic, 19.09.2019, Race 7, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R112.000, 16:05GMT+2

Race Summary: Paul Peter has a strong hand in a race where all 10 runners could pop up; DEFY GRAVITY who holds SILVER SPECTRUM (2kg worse off) on their last meeting; RAGOON who makes his debut for the stable but often doesn't put it in; SEVENTH OF JUNE who could make his presence felt. WAR LEGEND will prefer further but could grab them late. Top weight FINCHATTON could go in again.

#### Selections:

#3 Defy Gravity, #7 War Legend, #2 Silver Spectrum, #4 Ragoon

Vaal Classic, 19.09.2019, Race 8, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R100.000, 16:40GMT+2

Race Summary: JIVE EXPRESS fought on to edge out faster finishing JACKO BOY (0,5kg better) and ALWAYS RED (1kg better) and on paper they should finish in a line. However, JACKO BOY was given too much to do and should prove superior now. LITTLEWOOD needed her last outing and should get into the mix. EX'S 'N OH'S and ITSMYDARLIN could get into the guartet.

## Selections:

#1 Jacko Boy, #5 Always Red, #4 Jive Express, #2 Littlewood