

**RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL@2020.01.21**

**Vaal, 21.01.2020, Race 1, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R90.000, 12:25GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Full field and the draw needs to be watched for later events. TWICE THE SURGE found support at long odds on debut and ran on smartly. He will come on and should confirm with GOLD ROCK who wasn't far behind. JACKPOT JEWEL has been running close up and could keep OPENING GAMBIT at bay on form. LATEST CRAZE, CURIOUS and SEMPER FI are running well and have serious money claims.

**Selections:**

#16 Twice The Surge, #1 Jackpot Jewel, #4 Latest Craze, #5 Semper Fi

**Vaal, 21.01.2020, Race 2, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R90.000, 13:00GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** PEACEONTEROCKS is ready to strike. THEATRE OF DREAMS was backed in her 2nd start but showed inexperience - she should be thereabouts. Both the above have inside draws - check the previous race results. MACULATE should find this trip to her liking. ELLA BEAN finished strongly in her 2nd start and is looking for more improvement. VARNICA choked up last time and could feature.

**Selections:**

#6 Peaceontherocks, #16 Theatre Of Dreams, #15 Maculate, #14 Ella Bean

**Vaal, 21.01.2020, Race 3, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R90.000, 13:35GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** This is not a strong field and many are looking to improve. COTOPAXI needed her last run, where she stayed on nicely to take 3rd place. She should be in the shake-up. EMERALD CREST is improving with racing and should be in the fight for honours. LORALEI never recovered from a bump on debut and will come on. GET SET, BELLE VIEW and OLYMPIC DESTINY could place.

**Selections:**

#6 Emerald Crest, #7 Cotopaxi, #15 Lorelei, #16 Olympic Destiny

**Vaal, 21.01.2020, Race 4, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R100.000, 14:10GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Stable companions HERTOOG and ROOI TOM race before this and either could win this if they take their places - watch. STORMY WINTER is highly thought of and if settled could go in. DUAL AT DAWN has scope and could take revenge over STONE JUDGEMENT. He is coupled with only filly TRAPICHE who is no slouch. YOUR PACE OR MINE and AUGUST RAIN can improve more.

**Selections:**

#2 Rooi Tom, #1 Hertog, #3 Stormy Winter, #7 Dual At Dawn

**Vaal, 21.01.2020, Race 5, Gallops, 1100m, Turf, R100.000, 14:45GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** ODEN has proved his class but gives start and was not striding out last time. If problem free could resume winning ways. SULLENBERGER beat ILLUSION by 1,75 lengths last time but it could go either way here on 2kg difference. BATTLE CREEK is as honest as the come and is coupled with MOON WARRIOR who has a shout. PRINCE OF VENICE has won all 3 at KZN. Others could feature.

**Selections:**

#3 Oden, #5 Illusion, #9 Sullenberger, #1 Battle Creek

**Vaal, 21.01.2020, Race 6, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R120.000, 15:20GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** RETURN FLIGHT races best up front but will have to fight SEVILLE ORANGE for that privilege. Either could keep going but a fast pace will suit FLICHITY BY FARR who can accelerate smartly in the closing stages. The one they all have to beat is JET START who has been kept on the boil and is out to claim a hat-trick. PRETTY BORDER will appreciate the drop in distance - respect.

**Selections:**

#2 Jet Start, #1 Return Flight, #5 Pretty Border, #4 Flichity By Farr

**Vaal, 21.01.2020, Race 7, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R90.000, 15:55GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** OUR MAN IN HAVANA sported blinkers for the first time when easily beating CHRISTOPHER ROBIN when opening his account. The latter won 2 subsequently and franked the form. Inmates, AT HAND and ROCKY PATH could earn. TOP RANK is running well and could feature. Stable mate THERAVADA needed his last run. WAR LEGEND, AFRICAN ADVENTURE - wide draws to overcome. Open.

**Selections:**

#13 Our Man In Havana, #12 Christopher Robin, #15 Top Rank, #6 Rocky Path

**Vaal, 21.01.2020, Race 8, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R100.000, 16:35GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** SCENT OF EVENING found true form and could go in again. FLYING HIGH needed her last outing and should be thereabouts. GALLIC PRINCESS finds problems but should give a good account of herself. ANNE BOLEYN is improving with racing and warrants respect. RIO'S WINTER should be cherry-ripe and could get into the action. TOO PHAT TO FLY did well in her first Gauteng run.

**Selections:**

#4 Scent Of Evening, #5 Flying High, #9 Gallic Princess, #13 Anne Boleyn