

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL@2020.01.23

Vaal, 23.01.2020, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R90.000, 12:40GMT+2

Race Summary: TOWARDS THE SUN has the form and will be hard to beat in the opener. DARK TIDE (gelded now) and THE PINK PANTHER (breathing noises) have shown ability but have been off the track for a long time and could need it. JOZI HUSTLE, KINGS ROAD and PURE WISDOM are looking for quartet money.

Selections:

#9 Towards The Sun, #8 Dark Tide, #4 The Pink Panther, #3 Kings Road

Vaal, 23.01.2020, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R90.000, 13:15GMT+2

Race Summary: URBAN OASIS has been costly to follow but should be given another chance in this line up. IZZE KLOTH and REGARDS TO ALL show good speed and are improving - they will try to get away. SINGLE RED ROSE hasn't been far off and could challenge. EXULTANT, SET AND MATCH and OLIVINE are looking for minor money.

Selections:

#5 Urban Oasis, #13 Izze Kloth, #15 Regards To All, #1 Single Red Rose

Vaal, 23.01.2020, Race 3, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R90.000, 13:50GMT+2

Race Summary: LATEST CRAZE finished in front of TREND MASTER last time but is carded to race before this - respect both. TITELIST is honest and should again get into the reckoning. SOUL CONNECTION is improving with racing and could turn it around with UNDISCLOSED. THE IT FACTOR could improve more. Watch the first-timers especially filly WAVE A WAND.

Selections:

#1 Latest Craze, #2 Trend Master, #4 Titelist, #16 Wave A Wand

Vaal, 23.01.2020, Race 4, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R90.000, 14:25GMT+2

Race Summary: WESTERN VISION drifted in the betting when not disgraced in 4th place. She will have gained experience and should run a big race. AALSMEER is improving and will be catching late. NU BELL sports blinkers now over a shorter trip and must be considered. SAMOA needs to keep going but could place. CAT GONE WEST and MAJESTY RHEA can improve.

Selections:

#16 Western Vision, #1 Aalsmeer, #2 Nu Bell, #3 Samoa

Vaal, 23.01.2020, Race 5, Gallops, 2400m, Turf, R90.000, 15:00GMT+2

Race Summary: THE JOCELYN TREE holds BAT ORCHID, CAN CAN, CARRIE ME CARRIE on form and should make a bold bid. Sam Mosia rides WISHONAIRE but stable companion ADORABLE ALLEY look sure to attract the money. She is bred to stay the marathon trip - respect.

Selections:

#1 The Jocelyn Tree, #9 Adorable Alley, #7 Wishonaire, #5 Can Can

Vaal, 23.01.2020, Race 6, Gallops, 2400m, Turf, R90.000, 15:35GMT+2

Race Summary: Mike De Kock dominates here with 3 strong entrees - NIMITZ plodded on last time and the extra will suit; TILMEETH jumps up in distance and should stay. Both are by Captain Al out of staying mares; EARTH SHAKER is also out to prove stamina. MAROON BELLS has done well in both starts over

this trip. BELLAGIO KING and SERGEANT SMILEY could place.

Selections:

#6 Nimitz, #5 Tilmeeth, #1 Maroon Bells, #8 Earth Shaker

Vaal, 23.01.2020, Race 7, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R90.000, 16:10GMT+2

Race Summary: CURVATION will be ideally suited to this distance and should contest the finish. SPORTS TATTOO never recovered from a bump at the start last time but expect a better show. BLOODLINE is better than recent form and if problem free could produce. ROCK ME TWICE needed her last run and will enjoy the extra. AMBERGLO STAR, AT FIRST LIGHT and battler ONE DOLLAR MASSAGE can place.

Selections:

#1 Curvation, #4 Sports Tattoo, #2 Bloodline, #5 Rock Me Twice

Vaal, 23.01.2020, Race 8, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R90.000, 16:45GMT+2

Race Summary: NEBRAAS is crying out for this distance and should be right there from a good draw. GHALYOON should be cherry-ripe and looks a serious threat. PSYCHO KING is improving fast and jumps from pole position. IDEAL MAN on the other hands starts wide out which could take a lot out of him to lead. ARMINIUS could run into minor money.

Selections:

#15 Nebraas, #6 Ghalyoon, #7 Psycho King, #13 Ideal Man

Best Win: #9 TOWARDS THE SUN

Best Value Bet: #15 NEBRAAS

Best Longshot: #15 NEBRAAS