RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL CLASSIC@2020.07.30

Vaal Classic, 30.07.2020, Race 1, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R60.000, 12:10GMT+2

Race Summary: Paul Peter should have a say in the opener - NAZARETH could enjoy the drop in distance with blinkers on and could hold off stable companion THEATRE OF DREAMS who starts off slowly. Other inmate NU BELL shouldn't be far off. REGARDS TO ALL found problems in her last start and could get into the picture. SPECTRAL needed her last outing and will come on. Look for improvement from VARS JY.

Selections:

#1 Nazareth, #4 Theatre Of Dreams, #2 Regards To All, #3 Spectral

Vaal Classic, 30.07.2020, Race 2, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R60.000, 12:40GMT+2

Race Summary: FISTS OF FIRE is having his 3rd run after a rest and gelding. He will be at peak fitness and could grab CURIOUS who should establish a useful early advantage. Two-year-old BINGWA wasn't disgraced on debut when not supported and will know more about it. PLAYBOY PRINCE is starting to show. Watch first-timer ELIUD.

Selections:

#2 Fists Of Fire, #1 Curious, #5 Bingwa, #8 Eliud

Vaal Classic, 30.07.2020, Race 3, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R60.000, 13:15GMT+2

Race Summary: A moderate line up - watch the betting. SECRET GLIDER could make most improvement and gets the nod. BRAVE STARR has form but needs to get lucky from a wide draw. HOUSE MASTER showed improvement last time and could get into the mix. CHAMPINGATTHEBIT could get into the action if relaxes early on. ROOIPOORT, WESTERN PARK and FOREVER LIGHT could pull it off.

Selections:

#2 Secret Glider, #3 Bravestarr, #9 House Master, #5 Champingatthebit

Vaal Classic, 30.07.2020, Race 4, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R60.000, 13:50GMT+2

Race Summary: Difficult to assess with runners not showing good recent form and many are having previous engagements. Runners to watch are GAL GADOT, SERENITY, COTOPAXI, LAST CHEER, SHUFFLING, SEA ISLAND and HOPE FOR MILLIONS. The betting could be the best guide.

Selections:

#1 Gal Gadot, #2 Serenity, #3 Cotopaxi, #5 Last Cheer

Vaal Classic, 30.07.2020, Race 5, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R60.000, 14:25GMT+2

Race Summary: Wide open. TRICKY BUSINESS improved after a rest and with a good draw and blinkers now on could go in. GREAT ESTEEM ran on over this trip last time despite pulling up fatigued and if ridden with restraint could finish off strongly again. ROMANTIC ERA is running close up but GREY STREET and PACIFIC DREAM shouldn't be far behind him. ELECTRA FLYING sports blinkers now and could improve lengths.

Selections:

#5 Tricky Business, #2 Great Esteem, #1 Romantic Era, #10 Electra Flying

Vaal Classic, 30.07.2020, Race 6, Gallops, 2400m, Turf, R60.000, 15:00GMT+2

Race Summary: Another competitive race. There shouldn't be much to chose between ODD ROB,GOLD GRIFFIN, DANCE CLASS (on a foursome), PALACE GREEN and AFRICAN ADVENTURE on collateral form and luck in running could be the decider. CHRISTOPHER ROBIN is holding form and Striker could judge it right. CHARIOT OF GOLD is best weighted and Luke has struck form.

Selections:

#7 Gold Griffin, #3 Odd Rob, #1 Christopher Robin, #14 Palace Green

Vaal Classic, 30.07.2020, Race 7, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R60.000, 15:35GMT+2

Race Summary: ELUSIVE FORCE has done well in her post maiden runs and could chalk up a 2nd win this her peak run. KAPAMA is running well ans should be in the picture again. TARGARYEN QUEEN is running close up and should make the quartet. LOUVAIN could be found wanting in the latter stages. Others are looking for minor money.

Selections:

#3 Elusive Force, #4 Kapama, #5 Targaryen Queen, #6 Louvain

Vaal Classic, 30.07.2020, Race 8, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R60.000, 16:10GMT+2

Race Summary: Another tricky race. Grant Maroun could find the winners box with any of his 3 runners, CATEGORY FOUR, WHIPPING BOY (not striding out last time) and FLORIBUNDA (looks good on her penultimate effort). WAQAAS can never be ignored for money but it could be a touch on the sharp side. DARK TIDE comes off a maiden win but has scope for improvement. VARIMAX enjoys this track and warrants respect.

Selections:

#7 Category Four, #5 Waqaas, #1 Whipping Boy, #2 Dark Tide

Vaal Classic, 30.07.2020, Race 9, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R60.000, 16:45GMT+2

Race Summary: SOUL OF WIT has drawn well and with Striker up from a good draw could chalk up a deserved 2nd victory. PERSICA has won both her starts over the minimum trip but if covered early could stay the extra 200m. HEART OF A LEGEND claims 4kg and if in the right mood could get into the action. The others are looking for minor money.

Selections:

#2 Soul Of Wit, #6 Persica, #1 Heart Of A Legend, #4 Trousseau

Best Win: #3 ELUSIVE FORCE

Best Value Bet: #5 TRICKY BUSINESS Best Longshot: #5 TRICKY BUSINESS