

## **RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL@2021.04.14**

### **Vaal, 14.04.2021, Race 1, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R70.000, 12:55GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** MEET THE CAPTAIN may have needed her last run. Striker Strydom is aboard this time and that could make all the difference. SHELTERING SKY and RIVETING are both consistent but are battling to win. They can contest the finish once again. KISSING BOOTH deserves respect. Two-year-old GILDA GRAY carries 4kg less than the rest of the field and that could be telling. Amberglo Star has shed her maiden tag and will not be lining up.

#### **Selections:**

#8 Kissing Booth, #10 Gilda Gray, #6 Amberglo Star, #1 Meet The Captain

### **Vaal, 14.04.2021, Race 2, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R70.000, 13:30GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Gelding seems to have improved FORT COMMANDER and jockey Piere Strydom has another decent ride early on. The Toreador gelding got out-paced last time but flew at the finish and was an unlucky loser. Blinkers will now be fitted. SUCCESSFUL RULER was a bit of a disappointment when third last time out but has scope for improvement and should be right there at the finish. JET CAT and STAR EFFECT are battling to win but could earn more money. LIGHT WARRIOR and ONLY HIM are two others to consider.

#### **Selections:**

#12 Only Him, #1 Fort Commander, #2 Successful Ruler, #6 Light Warrior

### **Vaal, 14.04.2021, Race 3, Gallops, 1700m, Turf, R70.000, 14:05GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** In a weak field, GENIE should be a lot better than the rivals. This Pomodoro gelding only found Imperial Duke too good last time out. That was an improved run and if fitter and smarter this time round, he should win. IRISH RAIN tends to lack a strong finish but does have a place chance. PASSING SHOT showed improvement with blinkers last time and could prefer the longer trip. THE ARROW tends to tire late but could improve.

#### **Selections:**

#1 Genie, #9 Prideoffranschoek, #10 Rainy Season, #2 Irish Rain

### **Vaal, 14.04.2021, Race 4, Gallops, 1100m, Turf, R70.000, 14:40GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** JUST AS RICH was full of running when shedding his maiden tag last time out and deserves some respect. OKSANA is clearly unreliable but is also not out of it. COUNTRY SQUIRE and RAMSAY both have a winning chance for trainer Grant Maroun. BROADWAY BABE fought on gamely to win last time out and can follow up. FANTASY FLOWER and GRINDELWALD are two others that would not be surprise winners in a competitive race.

#### **Selections:**

#8 Grindelwald, #7 Fantasy Flower, #3 Country Squire, #4 Ramsay

### **Vaal, 14.04.2021, Race 5, Gallops, 3200m, Turf, R77.500, 15:20GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** DON'T LOOK BACK came agonisingly close in a MR104 Handicap over 1800m last Thursday, outnosed by Sell High. He will be hard to beat if he stays over this distance. TOP SHOT and BRAND NEW CADILLAC are two of many in this race held in form by DON'T LOOK BACK but could get closer to their rival this time around. FRED is in good heart and could like this longer distance - consider. ROCKPAPERSCISSORS was full of running when beating weaker last time out and is improving.

#### **Selections:**

#1 Don'T Look Back, #7 Rockpaperscissors, #5 Fred, #2 Top Shot

**Vaal, 14.04.2021, Race 6, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R70.000, 15:55GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** A tough race to find the winner. Exotic players are advised to go as wide as possible. MODE is in good form and must be considered. ANATURA did well enough to win her last start and could follow up. WONDEROUS won by a landslide in a weak field last time out and could improve even more. RABIA THE REBEL is unreliable but can win. DIAMONDS N DOLLARS could like this distance and has a chance. EUPHORANT and MAZARI also have a winning chance.

**Selections:**

#9 Euphoriant, #7 Diamonds N Dollars, #1 Twice The Act, #3 Anatura

**Vaal, 14.04.2021, Race 7, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R77.500, 16:30GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** BOLD FORTUNE was full of running last time out. Blinkers have certainly improved this Flower Alley filly. JIVE EXPRESS is better than her last run suggests and can bounce back to score. VELD FLOWER is on a hat-trick mission and could well defy the handicapper. CURVATION is consistent and although battling to win she must be considered. MIRACLE AND WONDER was not disgraced when third last time and from a good draw should be a danger under jockey warren Kennedy.

**Selections:**

#6 Fire Flower, #3 Jive Express, #1 Bold Fortune, #4 Veld Flower

**Best Win:** #1 THE GENIE

**Best Value Bet:**

**Best Longshot:** #6 FIRE FLOWER