

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL CLASSIC@2023.01.24

Vaal Classic, 24.01.2023, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R90.000, 12:50GMT+2

Race Summary: CAMERATA sports blinkers for the first time and if they have no adverse effect on her, she should be hard to stop. RIO SUPREMO races in new surroundings and could challenge. TIME FOR CHARITY showed good improvement in blinkers and should be in the Trifecta. Others need to improve. Watch newcomers.

Selections:

#1 Camerata, #2 Time For Charity, #3 Rio Supremo, #7 Leahlicious

Vaal Classic, 24.01.2023, Race 3, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R90.000, 13:25GMT+2

Race Summary: IRON SKY was just ahead of BROSAN with DUNGEONS not far behind. BROSAN was on debut and drifted in the betting. He can only improve and should have no problem beating them. What is interesting is his stable companion ELUSIVE JUSTICE who is on debut but is reported to be decent. Also making his debut is SAGAN who is bred to fly. Watch the betting. VAR PARK has a chance if finding his form.

Selections:

#9 Elusive Justice, #8 Brosnan, #10 Sagan, #1 Iron Sky

Vaal Classic, 24.01.2023, Race 4, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R110.000, 14:00GMT+2

Race Summary: SWING UPON A STAR needed his first run as a gelding and could resume winning ways. TSAR BOMBA found problems last time and won't go down without a fight. STROKE OF MERCY gets only 3kg from them but has that come-on look. LIL MISS MONEYBAGS could feature if settling early. Stablemate TEXAS RED, as well as EXPEDITIONER and ANGEL OF WAR could make the money.

Selections:

#1 Swing Upon A Star, #2 Tsar Bomba, #6 Stroke Of Mercy, #5 Lil Miss Moneybags

Vaal Classic, 24.01.2023, Race 5, Gallops, 2400m, Turf, R85.000, 14:35GMT+2

Race Summary: RARATONGA ROSE is in top form and the combo has a hat-trick chance, however, she meets NAMAQUA BLOSSOM on 2kg worse terms for a head beating and 'on paper' should not confirm their positions. LITTLE PRINCE stayed on over the extra last time and could handle the marathon distance. BANHA BRIDGE is a trier but could be better over a little shorter. LIVERPOOL LEGEND cannot be ignored for money.

Selections:

#6 Namaqua Blossom, #4 Raratonga Rose, #2 Little Prince, #3 Banha Bridge

Vaal Classic, 24.01.2023, Race 6, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R85.000, 15:10GMT+2

Race Summary: Good race. TIMEFOR THAT has been threatening for her 4th win and it could happen from a decent draw. SEQUOIA is over a preferred distance and must come into the equation. TINDER DRY is unbeaten over this course and distance. ADMIRALTY ARCH has drawn wide but will be running on late. Stable companions ABSOLUTE VALUE and LUTHULI could get into the action.

Selections:

#11 Timeforthat, #3 Sequoia, #4 Tinder Dry, #1 Admiralty Arch

Vaal Classic, 24.01.2023, Race 7, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R85.000, 15:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Wide open. LETHA found problems last time and if breathing isn't a problem could go in. Stablemate BEE IN MY BONNET improved after a break to open her account and could go on. LADY OF POWER and BIG CITY GIRL have drawn wide but will be catching late. ARDEN PARK, QUANTUM, MAMAQUERA, SPLASH OF GREEN and SCOTTADITO are all capable of pulling it off.

Selections:

#8 Letha, #6 Mamaquera, #14 Big City Girl, #1 Lady Of Power

Vaal Classic, 24.01.2023, Race 8, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R105.000, 16:10GMT+2

Race Summary: Competitive. SOUTHERN BLAZE is threatening for a 3rd victory and could have his consistency rewarded. IN CAHOOTS carries 0,5kg overweight but on a last facile victory could double-up over this trip. INDUS KNIGHT should be cherry-ripe and shouldn't be far off. KOTINOS, FATEFUL DAY and TANGANGA need to overcome wide draws but cannot be ignored. If MAGICAL FLIGHT gets covered early she could finish off strongly.

Selections:

#12 Southern Blaze, #10 In Cahoots, #9 Indus Knight, #7 Kotinos