RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL@2023.10.05

Vaal, 05.10.2023, Race 1, Gallops, 2000m, Turf, R80.000, 12:45GMT+2

Race Summary: SOLO DIVA could give Sam Mosia another winner to add to his long list in the Work Riders opener. She will have to beat MOUNT ETNA who is ready for a big run. ALL RISE and BOMBER GRIGIO are looking for Trifecta money. SIRACHA could sneak into a place. DAME COLLEEN has had enough chances.

Selections:

#1 Solo Diva, #8 Mount Etna, #4 Bomber Grigio, #2 All Rise

Vaal, 05.10.2023, Race 2, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R105.000, 13:20GMT+2

Race Summary: This a full but moderate field and SHAMPIMPI could get it right if she puts everything in. PEAK PREDATOR showed good improvement in his second run and warrants respect. LT ALEXANDER ran below form last time but could challenge. Watch the 6 first-timers, especially OFFICER IN COMMAND and LETS PLAY POKER.

Selections:

#11 Officer In Command, #12 Peak Predator, #16 Shampimpi, #10 Lets Play Poker

Vaal, 05.10.2023, Race 3, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R95.000, 13:55GMT+2

Race Summary: GOCEKWITHLOVE was beaten when odds-on last time but showed inexperience around the turn. She is back down the straight and should be hard to peg back. FLYING DIAMOND eased in the betting on debut but showed good early speed - look for big improvement. SANKOFA and KIT KATIE are looking to make the Trifecta. Watch the first-timers.

Selections:

#11 Gocekwithlove, #10 Flying Diamond, #2 Sankofa, #1 Kit Kat Katie

Vaal, 05.10.2023, Race 4, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R110.000, 14:30GMT+2

Race Summary: CHASING HAPPINESS was backed when winning with consummate ease on debut and could be anything. NO FILTER is well above average and could get into the action. AMERICAN GRAFFITI shouldn't be far behind her on collateral form. STORM PLAYER has ability but races before this - watch. Her stable companion RUNWAY BOMB is also no slouch. GAL GADOT could place.

Selections:

#7 Chasing Happiness, #5 No Filter, #6 Storm Player, #3 American Graffiti

Vaal, 05.10.2023, Race 5, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R85.000, 15:05GMT+2

Race Summary: Competitive DUNGEONS was runner-up in his last 2 starts and could chalk up a second win. Old-man WHORLY WHORLY loves it here and could go in again. FULLY LOADED, BACK TO BASICS, SPRING WILL COME and HERE IS THE TIGER are all capable off pulling it off. Others could find minor money.

Selections:

#6 Dungeons, #8 Whorly Whorly, #3 Fully Loaded, #1 Back To Basics

Vaal, 05.10.2023, Race 6, Gallops, 2400m, Turf, R97.500, 15:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Wide open. SPECIAL CHARM beat PRINCESS KESH last time and it could get close again. On recent collateral form all of BURMESE TIARA, ANGEL'S WISH and SPIRIT PRINCESS are capable of getting into the action. Also, IDEAL FUTURE and KIND JUDY shouldn't be far off.

Selections:

#4 Angel's Wish, #1 Special Charm, #7 Burmese Tiara, #2 Princess Kesh

Vaal, 05.10.2023, Race 7, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R100.000, 16:10GMT+2

Race Summary: Another open event. I AM REGAL is running well and could chalk up a third win. Stablemate EXPLOSIVE BOND comes off a recently franked form and could take home a cheque. SOLDIER'S EYE is improving again and must be respected. LADY CALAVERA is running close up and comes into the picture. NAMAQUA BLOSSOM and QUIET REBELLION race fresh and warrant inclusion in all bets. MIDNIGHT CRYSTAL can improve more. MEMORIAL DAY needs to confirm her last run.

Selections:

#2 I Am Regal, #1 Soldier's Eye, #3 Lady Calavera, #4 Namaqua Blossom

Vaal, 05.10.2023, Race 8, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R105.000, 16:40GMT+2

Race Summary: Difficult race to end and most have winning claims. COVERT OPERATOR, DARING ACT, BROSNAN and MICKE'S BOMB come off victories and all are looking to go in again. ZIYASHA, ICE STAR, ROZARA, PENDRAGON and HAPPY ANALIA could all pull it off. It doesn't end there.

Selections:

#6 Daring Act, #9 Pendragon, #2 Covert Operator, #3 Ziyasha

Best Win: #11 GOCEKWITHLOVE Best Value Bet: #2 I AM REGAL Best Longshot: #2 I AM REGAL