

## **RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL CLASSIC@2025.09.11**

### **Vaal Classic, 11.09.2025, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R105.000, 12:35GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** RINGHO has the form and experience to play a leading role but he is vulnerable to unexposed sorts, so market support for well-bred newcomers HAMMER BLOW and PIVOTAL ROLE could speak volumes for their chances on debut. NOU PRAAT JY and LEGAL FLAME are also worth a market check.

#### **Selections:**

#3 Hammer Blow, #6 Pivotal Role, #1 Ringho, #4 Legal Flame

### **Vaal Classic, 11.09.2025, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R95.000, 13:10GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** MISS MUNROE, EMPRESS WU and RACEWAY have all shown enough to stake a claim but QUEENSLAND has more scope and won't need to improve much on what she has already shown to open her account. PRINCESS OF ALL is the first foal of a Grade 2 and Listed-winning mare so any market support for the Captain Of All filly will need to be taken seriously.

#### **Selections:**

#9 Queensland, #8 Princess Of All, #2 Empress Wu, #1 Miss Munroe

### **Vaal Classic, 11.09.2025, Race 3, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R105.000, 13:45GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** WINSTON'S WONDER confirmed the promise of his 1160m debut third by finishing a close-up second over 1200m last month and any improvement over this extended trip should see him go one better. ROYALE JACKET, WINCHESTER and STORM BURST have the means to get into the picture, especially if building on recent improvement, though a bigger threat could come from well-bred newcomers SWORD OF LIGHT and ROYAL ENGAGEMENT.

#### **Selections:**

#8 Winston's Wonder, #4 Royale Jacket, #9 Sword Of Light, #5 Winchester

### **Vaal Classic, 11.09.2025, Race 4, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R95.000, 14:20GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** TIPPERARY and ASIAH'S TIARA have had many chances. Both have the form and experience to play leading roles but are vulnerable to less-exposed younger rivals. FIRE IN HER SOUL and VAMANOS fit that description and with any improvement could fight out the finish. RINGA RINGA ROSES and RISSIEPIT will be wiser to the task so could get into the picture.

#### **Selections:**

#9 Vamanos, #3 Fire In Her Soul, #1 Tipperary, #2 Asiah's Tiara

### **Vaal Classic, 11.09.2025, Race 5, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R80.000, 14:55GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** Well-bred PEREGRINE FALCON has benefitted from relocating to the Highveld and the addition of headgear. He confirmed the form and improvement of his previous outing by finishing second in a first-time tongue-tie (retained) last month and a repeat of that performance should suffice in this line-up. Hard-knocker SPY STORY, consistent MARIACHI MADNESS, and sparingly raced HIS LORDSHIP have the means to challenge the selection.

#### **Selections:**

#3 Peregrine Falcon, #2 His Lordship, #6 Mariachi Madness, #1 Spy Story

### **Vaal Classic, 11.09.2025, Race 6, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R100.000, 15:30GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** CHANTILLY DREAM was an impressive winner of her maiden over 1400m and, on the evidence of that performance, she could have even more to offer over this extended trip so it could pay to follow her progress. Fellow 3yo fillies LITTLEMISSSPLENDID, FAIR PROPOSAL and BOLD ACTION also have scope for improvement so should acquit themselves competitively. Experienced hard-knockers PRETTY ANALIA and SIGRID SWING also have the means to make their presence felt.

**Selections:**

#6 Chantilly Dream, #1 Pretty Analia, #3 Fair Proposal, #2 Littlemisssplendid

**Vaal Classic, 11.09.2025, Race 7, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R110.000, 16:05GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** KISSHOTEN comfortably beat ACCEPT COOKIES in a similar contest over track and trip 4 weeks ago but there shouldn't be much between the pair on these revised terms, with the latter 3kg better off for a 2.90-length beating. AVOONTOAST is held on that form but should also get closer given the weight turnaround. FUTURE DATE and stable companion ACROSS THE POND are unbeaten over track and trip, and both have the means to acquit themselves competitively. Last-start winners STREISAND and REFLECTIVE are also capable of making their presence felt.

**Selections:**

#1 Kisshoten, #4 Accept Cookies, #3 Streisand, #7 Future Date

**Vaal Classic, 11.09.2025, Race 8, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R85.000, 16:40GMT+2**

**Race Summary:** GREENLIGHT RACER improved markedly for the addition of blinkers to win his maiden over 1500m at this venue last month and another bold bid is expected on his handicap debut over this extended trip with the headgear retained. GUERRILLA WARFARE and TRIDENT KING are hard-knockers with the form and experience at this level to make life difficult for the selection. Unexposed last-start winner SALT LAKE CITY (filly) is also open to improvement over this extended trip on her handicap bow. VIVA DE JANEIRO also has earning potential.

**Selections:**

#2 Greenlight Racer, #1 Guerilla Warfare, #6 Salt Lake City, #3 Trident King

**Best Win:** #3 PEREGRINE FALCON

**Best Value Bet:** #6 CHANTILLY DREAM

**Best Longshot:** #6 CHANTILLY DREAM