RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL CLASSIC@2021.05.13

Vaal Classic, 13.05.2021, Race 1, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R70.000, 12:45GMT+2

Race Summary: IMITATION GAME got his mind on things with blinkers on last time and should be involved in the finish. CAPTAIN LANNISTER wasn't disgraced when supported on debut and will come on in heaps. PICK A LILY is doing well and shouldn't be far off. Watch first-timer TUSCAN WINTER.

Selections:

#1 Imitation Game, #6 Captain Lannister, #4 Pick A Lily, #3 Tuscan Winter

Vaal Classic, 13.05.2021, Race 2, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R70.000, 13:20GMT+2

Race Summary: VERINOVA was quietly fancied sporting blinkers last time and acquitted herself well. She should make her presence felt. SPANISH SONG is improving all the while and won't be far off. Juvenile ABALUS wasn't disgraced on debut and will come on. Stable companion SILVERY BLUE could get into the reckoning. QUICK RUN, SKY KINGDOM, FROSTED ICE and TALLADEGA are looking for Quartet money.

Selections:

#1 Verinova, #2 Spanish Song, #12 Abalus, #14 Silvery Blue

Vaal Classic, 13.05.2021, Race 3, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R70.000, 13:55GMT+2

Race Summary: KATZENTHAL races before this and if taking his place could make a bold bid. LAZY GUY should be right there on collateral form. GRACE FROM ABOVE could get away from a good draw. AMBER LIGHT and HAMAAMA needed their last runs when finishing close together but both have a wide draw to contend with. RICCARDO, STORMY WEATHERS and PASSING SHOT could upset.

Selections:

#2 Katzenthal, #1 Lazy Guy, #7 Grace From Above, #9 Hamaama

Vaal Classic, 13.05.2021, Race 4, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R77.500, 14:35GMT+2

Race Summary: BOWIE wasn't suited to the pace last time and could make amends off a handy weight. THE CONTRACTOR won well around the turn last time and could go in again. SPICE MARKET could get into the action if relaxing up front. KAYLA'S CHAMP can never be ignored for money. The remaining five runners are all capable of pulling it off.

Selections:

#8 Bowie, #7 The Contractor, #6 Spice Market, #2 Kayla's Champ

Vaal Classic, 13.05.2021, Race 5, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R70.000, 15:15GMT+2

Race Summary: SENESCENCE has never been far back to date and if overcoming a wide draw could chalk up a deserved third victory. CONTRAIL claims 4kg and should make his presence felt. SERGEI has drawn well and could improve more after a maiden win on his sixth attempt. IRISH RAIN and EL ROMIACHI are not well drawn but could make the frame. RAINY SEASON has a good draw to her advantage. More could feature.

Selections:

#11 Senescence, #4 Contrail, #1 Sergei, #3 Irish Rain

Vaal Classic, 13.05.2021, Race 6, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R70.000, 15:50GMT+2

Race Summary: ON A HIGH NOTE is having his peak run and with a favourable draw could take the honours. LUCY IN THE SKY has a wide draw to overcome but has honest form and won't be disgraced. Also drawn wide out is FANTASY FLOWER but she could finish off strongly. JUST AS RICH is holding form and shouldn't be far behind. BROOKLYN BRIDGE, SEE YOU TYGER as well as reserves THE MAKWAKKERS and ROGER THE DODGER warrant inclusion.

Selections:

#7 On A High Note, #5 Lucy In The Sky, #1 Just As Rich, #8 Fantasy Flower

Vaal Classic, 13.05.2021, Race 7, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R77.500, 16:20GMT+2

Race Summary: Good race. AL SAKEET wasn't disgraced last time and could resume winning ways, however, he is up against strong challengers. VASEEM showed true potential after a rest. SOUTH EAST is finding best form and with stable companion KWITE A TRIP should be thereabouts. SWEET SENSATION could have a coughing problem but is capable. CAPTAIN MORISCO must be in with a chance judged on his penultimate effort.

Selections:

#1 Vaseem, #2 Al Sakeet, #4 Kwite A Trip, #3 South East

Best Win: #1 IMITATION GAME Best Value Bet: #1 VASEEM Best Longshot: #1 VASEEM