

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL@2024.04.17

Vaal, 17.04.2024, Race 1, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R105.000, 12:35GMT+2

Race Summary: LEAD THE CHARGE should be ripe and ready for a big run. GORGEOUS KLEIN did well when tried in new surroundings and should be right there. ILHA DA ORANGE shouldn't be far off and is a must for the Trifecta. Watch debutante TANA MAREE. SUMMER SHADE could make the money.

Selections:

#11 Lead The Charge, #10 Gorgeous Klein, #8 Ilha Da Orange, #9 Tana Maree

Vaal, 17.04.2024, Race 2, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R97.500, 13:15GMT+2

Race Summary: Only 6 runners, but it could prove to be highly competitive with four strong contenders. Top weight MISS HANNIGAN won impressively last time and the combo could go in again. ANDI'S GIRL has ability but races before this - watch. There shouldn't be much to choose between GIMMEALIGHT and NATIONAL STAR and either could take it.

Selections:

#1 Miss Hannigan, #3 Andi's Girl, #5 National Star, #2 Gimmealight

Vaal, 17.04.2024, Race 3, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R105.000, 13:50GMT+2

Race Summary: DECEPTION PASS needed his first run after gelding and should be right there. Stablemate ERIMITAGE is no slouch and could make the money. MOCHA FRAPPE needed his last run badly. He must be respected if attracting money. SECRET CHORD and RADIANT HEAT are finishing closer and are a must for exotics. THE CANE TRAIN found support on debut but didn't produce - watch. TROMBETTISTA was a well beaten second last week.

Selections:

#1 Deception Pass, #3 Mocha Frappe, #12 Radiant Heat, #2 Secret Chord

Vaal, 17.04.2024, Race 4, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R95.000, 14:25GMT+2

Race Summary: Many in this big field are looking to improve. Tony Peter, who has a knack for producing winners on their stable debut, saddles KYLIE'S ANGEL. Watch. OLIVIA'S WAY should contest the finish after two good performances. VILLA SEMAYA finished just ahead of MESSALINA with LIKE A BUTTERFLY not far behind - all have money claims. In the same race, SNEAK PREVIEW finished further back but attracted money so should come on in heaps.

Selections:

#16 Olivia's Way, #1 Kylie's Angel, #11 Sneak Preview, #14 Messalina

Vaal, 17.04.2024, Race 5, Gallops, 1500m, Turf, R85.000, 15:00GMT+2

Race Summary: EMPRESS GAME has been threatening for her second win and could get it right. SECRET RECIPE appears stable elect on jockey arrangements but inmate HIGGLEDY PIGGLEDY could challenge. NORTHERN KITTEN never got going last time but is sure to improve. FREE IN SEATTLE won well to open her account and with COUNT YOUR CHANCES, SUPERSKITT as well as QUE CEU AZUL could make the frame.

Selections:

#8 Empress Game, #5 Secret Recipe, #1 Higgledy Piggledy, #2 Northern Kitten

Vaal, 17.04.2024, Race 6, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R97.500, 15:35GMT+2

Race Summary: Difficult. LAW OF SUCCESS was a bit disappointing last time - respect. Stable companion ON CUE will be catching late. Lightly raced GREEN FLASH is improving and warrants inclusion in all bets. SAMOA is back to honest form and must be considered. IN THE ETHER was uncomfortable last time - look for a solid showing. WHITE HILLS, HEIRLOOM and ARTICUNO shouldn't be far off on collateral form.

Selections:

#1 Law Of Success, #2 On Cue, #7 Green Flash, #10 Samoa

Vaal, 17.04.2024, Race 7, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R85.000, 16:10GMT+2

Race Summary: Another competitive race. KINSHIN SHA was narrowly beaten in his last two starts and with a 4kg claim could get his just reward. DUKE OF ROCK encountered problems last time and should be involved in the finish. CITYSCAPE was runner-up in her last two and could challenge. STORMY SEAS, SAKHALA IS'CATHULO, INAFIX and PENDRAGON could make the Quartet.

Selections:

#2 Kinshin Sha, #3 Duke Of Rock, #7 Cityscape, #1 Stormy Seas

Vaal, 17.04.2024, Race 8, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R80.000, 16:45GMT+2

Race Summary: GOLDEN CHANDELIER is already having her 7th run as a juvenile and looks the one to beat after scoring twice. The only real danger could prove to be PINATUBO who found solid support when scoring on debut - and the form has been franked. RED CARPET GIRL did well to run third last week and must be included in the Trifecta. The rest are looking for minor money.

Selections:

#6 Golden Chandelier, #11 Pinatubo, #12 Red Carpet Girl, #15 Della's Sword

Best Win: #6 GOLDEN CHANDELIER

Best Value Bet: #16 OLIVIA'S WAY

Best Longshot: #16 OLIVIA'S WAY