RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: VAAL@2021.01.19

Vaal, 19.01.2021, Race 1, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R70.000, 12:35GMT+2

Race Summary: SO THEY SAY needed her last outing and should prove the one to beat in the opener. MS FLOWER POWER loved the extra last time and did well to take 2nd after finding obstacles. She should confirm the form with GAL GADOT. RIVETING is on the up and could get into the mix. Watch newcomers, especially WEATHER BOMB, LOVE IS LIVE and Reserve LEVECHE.

Selections:

#7 So They Say, #6 Ms Flower Power, #3 Riveting, #14 Weather Bomb

Vaal, 19.01.2021, Race 2, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R77.500, 13:05GMT+2

Race Summary: A small but strong field. VARS VICKY needed his last outing and if settles should get the extra 200m. PAISLEY PARK won both starts and looks promising but this could be a good test. YOUR PACE OR MINE came off a lengthy break and performed well when a good second. He can only improve. SOMASONIC was coughing last time and should do a lot better.

Selections:

#1 Vars Vicky, #2 Paisley Park, #4 Your Pace Or Mine, #6 Somasonic

Vaal, 19.01.2021, Race 3, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R70.000, 13:35GMT+2

Race Summary: CLEVELAND should relish the longer distance and will finish off strongly if covered early. IMPERIAL DUKE disappointed after a good debut but was making a breathing noise after - respect. DEANAGELO has a chance if not troubled by a breathing problem. LIGHT WARRIOR and GLOBAL TOWN are looking for minor money. Watch first-timer UNDERSTATED.

Selections:

#3 Cleveland, #9 Imperial Duke, #4 Deanagelo, #14 Understated

Vaal, 19.01.2021, Race 4, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R70.000, 14:10GMT+2

Race Summary: DAWN OF A NEW ERA, BLUE SPARK and ESKIMO PIE will be having their peak runs. DAWN OF A NEW ERA could come out tops if he doesn't give start. BLUE SPARK has proved costly to follow but could get it right. ESKIMO PIE ran flat in his 2nd run as a gelding and could feature. NUSSPLY hasn't been disgraced in all 3 starts this distance. RICCARDO showed improvement in blinkers. FREEZING FAST and PURPLE DOMINANCE could place.

Selections:

#5 Dawn Of A New Era, #1 Blue Spark, #6 Eskimo Pie, #2 Nussply

Vaal, 19.01.2021, Race 5, Gallops, 1400m, Turf, R77.500, 14:50GMT+2

Race Summary: WISTERIA WALK is best in at the weights but could just need the outing. ELUSIVE WOMAN is racing over a preferred distance and should give a good account. SIDONIE should be cherry-ripe and must be considered. Stablemate INVISIBLE could get into the mix. EMPRESS JOSEPHINE is not well in but has a good finishing burst and could grab them. BIRDWATCHER is looking for minor money.

Selections:

#8 Elusive Woman, #2 Sidonie, #4 Empress Josephine, #1 Wisteria Walk

Vaal, 19.01.2021, Race 6, Gallops, 1100m, Turf, R77.500, 15:30GMT+2

Race Summary: GLOWTORIA was not striding out last time and pulled up blowing hard. She could carry top weight to victory. FLOWER OF SCOTLAND was beaten 0.75 lengths by NINA AMELIA last time but could turn it around on 2kg better terms. PERSICA should be ideally suited to this distance. MAY QUEEN, THE FIFTH WAVE, DUNYAA and SEE YOU TYGER are all looking to make the frame.

Selections:

#1 Glowtoria, #9 Flower Of Scotland, #5 Nina Amelia, #2 Persica

Vaal, 19.01.2021, Race 7, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R85.000, 16:05GMT+2

Race Summary: Stable companions speedsters BOLD RANSOM and SARAH could outpace the field. The former gets preference being fully fit. Other inmates REBEL'S CHAMP and CHIEF OF STATE could make the frame. EDEN ROC races over the minimum trip for the first time and will be catching late. PRINCE OF KAHAL and MARDI GRAS could win if they can find their true form.

Selections:

#6 Bold Ransom, #2 Eden Roc, #5 Sarah, #4 Prince Of Kahal

Vaal, 19.01.2021, Race 8, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R85.000, 16:35GMT+2

Race Summary: BROOKLYN BRIDGE is running well but was beaten by DESERT PRIDE in her penultimate. The latter is 3kg worse off and disappointed last time. LAETITIA'S ANGEL drops back to a preferred trip and the 2.5kg apprentice allowance will help. DUBAWI PRINCESS is finding form and shouldn't be far off. BELLA BLACK and SNOW SYMPHONY could take home minor money.

Selections:

#1 Laetitia's Angel, #5 Brooklyn Bridge, #6 Dubawi Princess, #2 Desert Pride

Vaal, 19.01.2021, Race 9, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R70.000, 17:10GMT+2

Race Summary: LAGERTHA is holding form and the 1200m should pose no problems. SAMOA beat EMERALD CREST by 0.75 lengths last time but the latter just needed the run and is 1kg better off. Ignore the last run of OCEANIA who lacked assistance from her jockey. There are many capable of getting into the money including BAHLEBONKE and OLIVIA S.

Selections:

#10 Lagertha, #1 Emerald Crest, #2 Samoa, #4 Oceania

Best Win: #6 BOLD RANSOM

Best Value Bet: #8 ELUSIVE WOMAN Best Longshot: #8 ELUSIVE WOMAN