

SOUTH AFRICA

VAAL



4 RACING

RACE 1 6:30 PM (R\$110,000)				Vaal -- 1200m			
1	57	DIGIT DASH	60	[11]	J R SYSTER	11.3%	B WEBBER 8.2%
2	423	GO FOR BROKE	59	[5]	C ZACKY	17.6%	M N HOUDALAKIS 13.1%
3	375	MULHOLLAND DRIVE	59	[2]	C HABIB	10.3%	P F MATCHETT 6.8%
4		ASPEN PRINCESS	59	[4]	M K KATJEDI	5.1%	S G TARRY 14.3%
5		FRAGRANT WATERS	59	[8]	K J LIHABA	5.7%	C I JONKER 2.8%
6	9	GO GUCCI GO	59	[12]	P MXOLI	10.2%	P F MATCHETT 6.8%
7		NIXIE GIRL	59	[13]	J GATES	7.0%	B WEBBER 8.2%
8		PRINCESS DIOR	59	[1]	K STRYDOM	9.1%	M/M DE KOCK 16.8%
9		RESOLUTE BAY	59	[7]	K DE MELO	20.9%	S G TARRY 14.3%
10		ROOIROK BOKKIE	59	[9]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.1%	F P HABIB 12.2%
11		STANISLAVA	59	[3]	K MATSUNYANE	10.2%	A P PETER 18.8%
12		SUN SEEKER	59	[10]	M YENI	12.0%	F BRONKHORST 5.5%
13	3	VISION OF GOLD	59	[6]	C MURRAY	12.0%	M/M DE KOCK 16.8%

SELECTIONS				VAAL				1200M DISTANCE				BEST TIME 1200M			
13	VISION OF GOLD			2	GO FOR BROKE	17%		2	GO FOR BROKE	67%		13	VISION OF GOLD	33%	
2	GO FOR BROKE			3	MULHOLLAND DRIVE	17%						3	MULHOLLAND DRIVE	1:11.21	
9	RESOLUTE BAY											1	DIGIT DASH	1:11.62	
3	MULHOLLAND DRIVE											2	GO FOR BROKE	1:14.05	

Race Preview: VISION OF GOLD was an encouraging 3rd on debut over this trip and would have benefited from that experience. She is open to improvement with a tongue-tie fitted on her reappearance following a subsequent 14-week break. GO FOR BROKE and MULHOLLAND DRIVE have shown enough to pose a threat, though any of the newcomers could make their presence felt too, especially if the market speaks in their favour. RESOLUTE BAY warrant respect before any betting clues.

RACE 2 7:10 PM (R\$115,000)				Vaal -- 1200m			
1	268305	SENDI	60	[14]	K STRYDOM	9.1%	F BRONKHORST 5.5%
2	754	SMUGGLER	60	[11]	P MXOLI	10.2%	S G TARRY 14.3%
3	646	LUCKY AWESOME	59	[2]	C ZACKY	17.6%	S G TARRY 14.3%
4	335322	TWO TIGERS	59	[13]	M YENI	12.0%	R KLAASEN 10.8%
5	853596	SMOKING GUN	59	[12]	C MAUJEAN	8.4%	F BRONKHORST 5.5%
6	073	ALL TIME LEGEND	59	[9]	J R SYSTER	11.3%	F P HABIB 12.2%
7	85877	REVITALISE	59	[15]	G SAMO-BURTHIA (2.5)	8.0%	R KLAASEN 10.8%
8	067	TORPEDO	59	[3]	M K KATJEDI	5.1%	C I JONKER 2.8%
9		CAPABILITY BROWN	59	[8]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.1%	F P HABIB 12.2%
10		CRYSTAL NOMAD	59	[10]	J GATES	7.0%	W/W MARWING 5.2%
11	7	FREDERICO CAGISHAS	59	[5]	K MATSUNYANE	10.2%	A P PETER 18.8%
12		KINGS MOUNTAIN	59	[6]	K DE MELO	20.9%	M/M DE KOCK 16.8%
13	06	NORTH STAR FURY	59	[1]	K J LIHABA	5.7%	C I JONKER 2.8%
14		RAFEF'S VICTORY	59	[4]	C LITTLE	9.4%	W C MARWING 11.6%
15	09	THE BUFFALO	59	[7]	C HABIB	10.3%	C BINDA 12.3%

SELECTIONS				VAAL				1200M DISTANCE				BEST TIME 1200M			
3	LUCKY AWESOME			4	TWO TIGERS	67%		4	TWO TIGERS	33%		5	SMOKING GUN	1:10.75	
9	CAPABILITY BROWN			5	SMOKING GUN	17%		6	ALL TIME LEGEND	33%		4	TWO TIGERS	1:11.25	
12	KINGS MOUNTAIN			6	ALL TIME LEGEND	17%		5	SMOKING GUN	11%		11	FREDERICO CAGISHAS	1:13.02	
14	RAFEF'S VICTORY											6	ALL TIME LEGEND	1:15.24	
												13	NORTH STAR FURY	1:15.89	

Race Preview: LUCKY AWESOME performed creditably in defeat in his last 2 starts before a 15-week absence (during which he was gelded) and is open to further improvement. However, a bigger threat will likely be posed by one of the newcomers, of whom RAFEF'S VICTORY and KINGS MOUNTAIN make most appeal. Well-related CAPABILITY BROWN is also bred to be useful so cannot be underestimated. Follow the betting moves for clues!

RACE 3 7:45 PM (R\$128,000)				Vaal -- 1200m			
1	12162	TROMPE L'OEIL	61	[8]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.1%	X/C SPIES 15.8%
2	2173	SANDS OF VALHALLA	59	[7]	K MATSUNYANE	10.2%	A P PETER 18.8%
3	321	GONE COLD	58.5	[4]	C HABIB	10.3%	A G LAIRD 10.3%
4	1	WALKINGINTHEWOODS	58.5	[2]	K DE MELO	20.9%	M N HOUDALAKIS 13.1%
5	234138	IMPRESSIVE	56	[6]	M YENI	12.0%	P F MATCHETT 6.8%
6	224122	STAGGERWING	56	[5]	C MURRAY	12.0%	M/M DE KOCK 16.8%
7	631132	WHATSDAMATTERWITHU	56	[1]	C ZACKY	17.6%	C BINDA 12.3%
8	1	NAVIGATRIX	55	[3]	P MXOLI	10.2%	P F MATCHETT 6.8%

SELECTIONS				VAAL				1200M DISTANCE				BEST TIME 1200M			
3	GONE COLD			1	TROMPE L'OEIL	83%		4	WALKINGINTHEWOODS	100%		4	WALKINGINTHEWOODS	1:09.30	
1	TROMPE L'OEIL			2	SANDS OF VALHALLA	83%		8	NAVIGATRIX	100%		2	SANDS OF VALHALLA	1:09.43	
4	WALKINGINTHEWOODS			5	IMPRESSIVE	67%		1	TROMPE L'OEIL	67%		8	NAVIGATRIX	1:10.43	
2	SANDS OF VALHALLA							7	WHATSDAMATTERWITHU	67%		1	TROMPE L'OEIL	1:10.48	
								2	SANDS OF VALHALLA	56%		3	GONE COLD	1:12.22	

Race Preview: TROMPE L'OEIL was a fast-finishing 2nd over track and trip last time, and a repeat of that performance could suffice. SANDS OF VALHALLA has solid form credentials and may enjoy reverting to a sprint trip. Debut winner WALKINGINTHEWOODS and fellow last-start scorer GONE COLD could hardly have been more impressive when opening their accounts as juveniles. Both would have improved since and it is encouraging that the form of their maiden victories has been franked by subsequent winners.

RACE 4 8:20 PM (R\$90,000)				Vaal -- 1200m			
1	432141	NKANDLA GOLD	62.5	[4]	J R SYSTER	11.3%	B WEBBER 8.2%
2	049561	GOD'S COUNTRY	59	[3]	G SAMO-BURTHIA (2.5)	8.0%	B WEBBER 8.2%
3	768787	ADA LOVELACE	58	[2]	M K KATJEDI	5.1%	B WEBBER 8.2%
4	065560	PHALA MILLIONS	58	[5]	C MAUJEAN	8.4%	B WEBBER 8.2%
5	050503	ROYAL HORIZON	58	[8]	J PENNY	5.8%	H VAN DER WESTH 8.8%
6	150055	STAGE ONE	56	[1]	J GATES	7.0%	W/W MARWING 5.2%
7	401624	BELL OF ANGELUS	55.5	[7]	P MXOLI	10.2%	B WEBBER 8.2%
8	743807	DARING ACT	54.5	[6]	C HABIB	10.3%	R KLAASEN 10.8%

SELECTIONS				VAAL				1200M DISTANCE				BEST TIME 1200M			
1	NKANDLA GOLD			1	NKANDLA GOLD	33%		1	NKANDLA GOLD	41%		4	PHALA MILLIONS	1:08.49	
5	ROYAL HORIZON			3	ADA LOVELACE	33%		2	GOD'S COUNTRY	33%		7	BELL OF ANGELUS	1:09.60	
7	BELL OF ANGELUS			8	DARING ACT	29%		6	STAGE ONE	25%		8	DARING ACT	1:09.69	
8	DARING ACT			7	BELL OF ANGELUS	24%		3	ADA LOVELACE	23%		5	ROYAL HORIZON	1:09.72	
				4	PHALA MILLIONS	22%		4	PHALA MILLIONS	23%		1	NKANDLA GOLD	1:10.39	

Race Preview: NKANDLA GOLD was dominant start-to-finish winner over course and distance last month and, on that evidence, a 6-point penalty may not be enough to prevent him from following up. Runner-up BELL OF ANGELUS is weighted to get closer on 1kg better terms but class-dropper ROYAL HORIZON will likely pose more of a threat off her reduced rating. DARING ACT was the subject of betting support last time and could improve to have a say in the outcome.

RACE 5 8:55 PM (R\$100,000)				Vaal -- 1000m			
1	603188	PLUMBAGO PARK	61.5	[3]	P MXOLI	10.2%	B WEBBER 8.2%
2	967476	VAR PARK	60	[5]	K J LIHABA	5.7%	G J MAROUN 5.5%
3	564691	TIME TO FIRE	58	[4]	J GATES	7.0%	W/W MARWING 5.2%
4	353222	TAKING A RISK	58	[2]	C ZACKY	17.6%	M G AZZIE 8.9%
5	383337	LOVELY AS A CLOUD	57.5	[7]	D RAMKHALAWON (2.5)	13.7%	C/T DAWSON 14.5%
6	19567	USHOULDBEDANCING	57	[1]	K STRYDOM	9.1%	R KLAASEN 10.8%
7	542314	SURREAL SONG	57	[6]	M YENI	12.0%	P F MATCHETT 6.8%
8	665184	ECHOES OF WAR	56	[8]	K MATSUNYANE	10.2%	F P HABIB 12.2%

SELECTIONS				VAAL				1000M DISTANCE				BEST TIME 1000M			
4	TAKING A RISK			1	PLUMBAGO PARK	50%		4	TAKING A RISK	50%		2	VAR PARK	0:56.36	
5	LOVELY AS A CLOUD			8	ECHOES OF WAR	42%		1	PLUMBAGO PARK	44%		4	TAKING A RISK	0:56.58	
7	SURREAL SONG			2	VAR PARK	30%		7	SURREAL SONG	40%		1	PLUMBAGO PARK	0:56.96	
8	ECHOES OF WAR			4	TAKING A RISK	22%		6	USHOULDBEDANCING	33%		5	LOVELY AS A CLOUD	0:57.00	
				5	LOVELY AS A CLOUD	8%		8	ECHOES OF WAR	33%		3	TIME TO FIRE	0:57.36	

Race Preview: TAKING A RISK is as honest as they come. She finished runner-up for the third time in a row and that last effort was after a break. She should strip fitter and has every chance of notching up her next win. It has been a while since LOVELY AS A CLOUD tasted success. As with TAKING A RISK he jumped from the widest draw in his last start and a lot more can be expected, especially if the going isn't soft this time around. SURREAL SONG and ECHOES OF WAR show good pace and must be included in this.

RACE 6 9:30 PM (R\$135,000)				Vaal -- 1500m			
1	409121	SECRET CHORD	60	[7]	P MXOLI	10.2%	S J GRAY 10.2%
2	233493	MASTER SPY	60	[9]	C ZACKY	17.6%	S G TARRY 14.3%
3	764524	FIRE N FLAMES	60	[8]	M YENI	12.0%	J S ROUX 1.3%
4	083242	MASTER CHRISTMAS	58	[5]	K MATSUNYANE	10.2%	A P PETER 18.8%
5	173352	OPEN HIGHWAY	58	[1]	C MAUJEAN	8.4%	F BRONKHORST 5.5%
6	510858	FULLY LOADED	56	[4]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.1%	F P HABIB 12.2%
7	565249	WAYNE	56	[6]	K DE MELO	20.9%	M N HOUDALAKIS 13.1%
8	259735	COMMAND PILOT	54	[2]	K J LIHABA	5.7%	A G LAIRD 10.3%
9	221113	FUTURE GAMBLE	52	[3]	M K KATJEDI	5.1%	S G TARRY 14.3%
10	624539	BIG UNIT	50	[10]	J R SYSTER	11.3%	M/M DE KOCK 16.8%

SELECTIONS				VAAL				1500M DISTANCE				BEST TIME 1500M			
2	MASTER SPY			9	FUTURE GAMBLE	100%		6	FULLY LOADED	67%		5	OPEN HIGHWAY	1:28.36	
4	MASTER CHRISTMAS			7	WAYNE	75%		4	MASTER CHRISTMAS	67%		4	MASTER CHRISTMAS	1:29.29	
1	SECRET CHORD			4	MASTER CHRISTMAS	46%		8	COMMAND PILOT	67%		6	FULLY LOADED	1:29.30	
9	FUTURE GAMBLE			6	FULLY LOADED	37%		3	FIRE N FLAMES	33%		3	FIRE N FLAMES	1:29.93	
				2	MASTER SPY	33%						8	COMMAND PILOT	1:30.32	

Race Preview: MASTER SPY ran a cracker on his seasonal return. That was over 1200m which would have been short, he should relish the step up in trip and must have a big winning chance. SECRET CHORD is in good form and finished well ahead of Command Pilot so should hold that rival. But MASTER CHRISTMAS who has been knocking at the door of late could have his measure as he is 4kg better off with SECRET CHORD for a 1.30 lengths beating. FUTURE GAMBLE is not one to take lightly even if this is a bit short. She is best weighted and may enjoy a faster run heat.

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RACE 7 10:05 PM (R\$110,000)				Vaal -- 1600m			
1	715897	MOUNT ETNA	60.5	[1]	G SAMO-BURTHIA (2-5)	8.0%	F BRONKHORST 5.5%
2	554016	TOP SHELF TEDDY	60	[10]	C ZACKY	17.6%	S G TARRY 14.3%
3	178220	SIKELOI	58.5	[5]	K STRYDOM	9.1%	E VERNONESE 6.7%
4	032795	ALTA CAPITANA	57	[8]	K DE MELO	20.9%	S G TARRY 14.3%
5	546205	GLAMOROUS LADY	56.5	[2]	C LITTLE	9.4%	W C MARWING 11.6%
6	855489	HEAVENLY GOOD	55	[3]	K MATSUNYANE	10.2%	A P PETER 18.8%
7	344751	WINTER WEDDING	54.5	[6]	M K KATJEDI	5.1%	A P PETER 18.8%
8	421	FEAST OF BERRIES	53.5	[7]	M YENI	12.0%	M/M DE KOCK 16.8%
9	673221	SWORD OF LIGHT	53	[4]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.1%	M N HOUDALAKIS 13.1%
10	9612	XTATIC	52	[9]	P MXOLI	10.2%	S J GRAY 10.2%

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SELECTIONS	VAAL	1600M DISTANCE	BEST TIME 1600M
8 FEAST OF BERRIES	2 TOP SHELF TEDDY 67%	7 WINTER WEDDING 100%	1 MOUNT ETNA 1:35.80
5 GLAMOROUS LADY	3 SIKELOI 67%	10 XTATIC 100%	2 TOP SHELF TEDDY 1:35.85
9 SWORD OF LIGHT	9 SWORD OF LIGHT 44%	8 FEAST OF BERRIES 83%	3 SIKELOI 1:35.89
2 TOP SHELF TEDDY	1 MOUNT ETNA 33%	9 SWORD OF LIGHT 56%	4 ALTA CAPITANA 1:36.29
	5 GLAMOROUS LADY 22%	2 TOP SHELF TEDDY 50%	6 HEAVENLY GOOD 1:37.18

Race Preview: **FEAST OF BERRIES** fought on to win her maiden but the form line has worked out well. She is a well-bred Vercingetorix filly with plenty upside, and she is the one to watch after a rest. **GLAMOROUS LADY** has fitness on her side. She disappointed a bit last season but ran an encouraging race from a wide gate last time and should have every chance in this. This track and trip suited **SWORD OF LIGHT** a lot better last time as she ran out an easy winner. If allowed her way up front she could make things tough. **TOP SHELF TEDDY** need to be respected.

RACE 8 10:40 PM (R\$100,000)				Vaal -- 1400m			
1	830641	SALUTE THE FLAG	62	[12]	D RAMKHALAWON (2-5)	13.7%	C/T DAWSON 14.5%
2	753184	SATYAGRAHA	61	[10]	C ZACKY	17.6%	S G TARRY 14.3%
3	015234	SEA SHANTY	61	[2]	C MURRAY	12.0%	R KLAASEN 10.8%
4	41	NOBLE SAINT	60.5	[14]	K MATSUNYANE	10.2%	A P PETER 18.8%
5	991710	LEGENDARY	60.5	[13]	C HABIB	10.3%	C BINDA 12.3%
6	413852	WINDS OF GRACE	60.5	[7]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.1%	M G AZZIE 8.9%
7	218784	PEARL IN HER CROWN	59.5	[5]	M YENI	12.0%	F BRONKHORST 5.5%
8	041	PROPER	59	[9]	K DE MELO	20.9%	J A SOMA 17.6%
9	860856	COMING IN HOT	58	[4]	C MALUJEAN	8.4%	F BRONKHORST 5.5%
10	837225	ROCK MY BOAT	56.5	[6]	M K KATJEDI	5.1%	C JONKER 2.8%
11	586212	SPY STORY	56.5	[11]	P MXOLI	10.2%	S J GRAY 10.2%
12	944196	SILVER COMET	55	[3]	K MINNIE	2.5%	A P PETER 18.8%
13	377665	SUNSHINE DAY	54.5	[1]	J PENNY	5.8%	B WEBBER 8.2%
14	799671	COMMANDER OF ALL	52.5	[8]	J GATES	7.0%	B WEBBER 8.2%

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SELECTIONS	VAAL	1400M DISTANCE	BEST TIME 1400M
4 NOBLE SAINT	4 NOBLE SAINT 50%	4 NOBLE SAINT 50%	11 SPY STORY 1:21.65
8 PROPER	6 WINDS OF GRACE 44%	11 SPY STORY 48%	2 SATYAGRAHA 1:22.04
1 SALUTE THE FLAG	5 LEGENDARY 33%	6 WINDS OF GRACE 47%	5 LEGENDARY 1:22.11
3 SEA SHANTY	1 SALUTE THE FLAG 33%	5 LEGENDARY 38%	7 PEARL IN HER CROWN 1:22.75
	11 SPY STORY 25%	1 SALUTE THE FLAG 33%	14 COMMANDER OF ALL 1:22.95

Race Preview: Fire Away gelding **NOBLE SAINT** came on in leaps and bounds to win his maiden. He looks progressive and could repeat the performance in what is a competitive heat. **PROPER** is held in high regard and has improved with each start. He is dropping in distance but is back from a rest and is another to watch out for on handicap debut. **SALUTE THE FLAG** has also drawn towards the outside. He won well over shorter last time and could reward supporters again. **SEA SHANTY** would be deserving on current form and his inside draw could assist. More with earning potential.