

SOUTH AFRICA

VAAL



RACE 1		6:15 PM	(R\$115,000)			Vaal			--	1200m
1	004956	GOD'S COUNTRY	60	[2]	J PENNY	5.9%	B WEBBER			7.8%
2	448333	BERRY LANCER	58	[7]	J GATES	6.7%	S J GRAY			9.9%
3		BLUNDERBORE	58	[1]	G LERENA	18.0%	M/M DE KOCK			16.8%
4	5	CHANCELLOR	58	[4]	C HABIB	10.3%	A P PETER			18.7%
5		SECRET SANTA	58	[8]	C ZACKEY	17.3%	M N HOUDALAKIS			13.1%
6	70	SHINING STAR	58	[5]	K DE MELO	21.0%	M N HOUDALAKIS			13.1%
7		STILO NOVO	58	[3]	K MATSUNYANE	10.0%	A P PETER			18.7%
8	457646	LADY ENID	55.5	[6]	G SAMO-BURTHIA (2.5)	9.0%	S M NAIDOO			8.9%



SELECTIONS			FAST FORM	VAAL		1200M DISTANCE		BEST TIME 1200M		
4	CHANCELLOR			2	BERRY LANCER	17%	2	BERRY LANCER	1:10.90	
5	SECRET SANTA							6	SHINING STAR	1:10.93
3	BLUNDERBORE							1	GOD'S COUNTRY	1:12.46
7	STILO NOVO									
IRACE										

Race Preview: CHANCELLOR made encouraging late headway on debut as a 2yo in open company and would have benefitted from that experience. He is open to any amount of improvement on his reappearance after gelding, so it could pay to follow his progress. Newcomers SECRET SANTA, BLUNDERBORE and STILO NOVO don't have to be special to make their presence felt. Betting support would speak volumes about their chances on debut, follow the market moves.

RACE 2 6:50 PM (R\$110,000)				Vaal -- 1200m				
1	535382	PITERAQ	60	[2]	M YENI	11.9%	F BRONKHORST	5.6%
2	264635	DESTINY'S DREAM	60	[9]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.0%	A G LAIRD	10.3%
3	835255	MEGHAN'S DIAMOND	60	[5]	C MURRAY	12.3%	M/M DE KOCK	16.8%
4	334	TREASURE STATE	60	[8]	K DE MELO	21.0%	S G TARRY	14.3%
5	050	MARY'S CAPTAIN	60	[1]	K J LIHABA	5.7%	G J MAROUN	5.7%
6	5	DIGIT DASH	60	[7]	J R SYSTER	11.6%	B WEBBER	7.8%
7	2457	SATISFIED	58	[10]	P MXOLI	9.9%	P F MATCHETT	6.7%
8	973476	MISS DUTTON	58	[3]	J GATES	6.7%	W/W MARWING	5.3%
9	565	UNVARNISHED GOLD	58	[11]	C NGCOBO	4.2%	W C MARWING	10.7%
10		RANK AND FILE	58	[6]	G SAMO-BURTHIA (2.5)	9.0%	C/T DAWSON	14.1%
11		STEEL AND SATIN	58	[4]	K MATSUNYANE	10.0%	A P PETER	18.7%



SELECTIONS				VAAL		1200M DISTANCE		BEST TIME 1200M	
1	PITERAQ			1	PITERAQ	67%	8	MISS DUTTON	1:11.08
4	TREASURE STATE						3	MEGHAN'S DIAMOND	1:12.16
7	SATISFIED						1	PITERAQ	1:13.63
10	RANK AND FILE						5	MARY'S CAPTAIN	1:15.82
							8	MISS DUTTON	1:16.53

Race Preview: PITERAQ was an encouraging 2nd at this track on her Highveld debut and won't need to improve much to go one better over this extended trip with the cheekpieces refitted. Lightly raced TREASURE STATE has shown enough to fight out the finish and has scope for improvement too. SATISFIED had legitimate excuses for a disappointing last start over further and is capable of a better showing over this trip after a break. Watch the betting on newcomer RANK AND FILE.

RACE 3				7:25 PM		(R\$110,000)		Vaal		--	1400m
1	211415	LOST FOR WORDS	60	[4]	K DE MELO	21.0%	J A SOMA	17.4%			
2	423654	WINTER RAINFALL	58	[3]	K MATSUNYANE	10.0%	A P PETER	18.7%			
3	565655	FIRE IN HER SOUL	56.5	[1]	C ZACKEY	17.3%	M N HOUDALAKIS	13.1%			
4	416183	BEAUTIFUL RANIA	53.5	[6]	M YENI	11.9%	J A SOMA	17.4%			
5	360879	OPERA FAN	53	[5]	P MXOLI	9.9%	P F MATCHETT	6.7%			
6	241385	WINDS OF GRACE	53	[2]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.0%	M G AZZIE	9.1%			



SELECTIONS				VAAL		1400M DISTANCE		BEST TIME 1400M	
2	WINTER RAINFALL			1	LOST FOR WORDS	50%	2	WINTER RAINFALL	1:22.94
1	LOST FOR WORDS			4	BEAUTIFUL RANIA	50%	6	WINDS OF GRACE	1:23.14
4	BEAUTIFUL RANIA			4	BEAUTIFUL RANIA	33%	4	BEAUTIFUL RANIA	1:23.32
3	FIRE IN HER SOUL			3	FIRE IN HER SOUL	11%	5	OPERA FAN	1:23.52
				5	OPERA FAN	11%	3	FIRE IN HER SOUL	1:23.86

Race Preview: WINTER RAINFALL has dropped to a competitive rating and was 4th in a stronger race last time, albeit over 1200m. She could capitalise on this drop in class off a reduced mark if running to a similar level over this extended trip. LOST FOR WORDS is lightly raced and open to improvement stretching out to this distance for the first time, so she has to be respected. BEAUTIFUL RANIA and FIRE IN HER SOUL are closely matched on recent form, and they remain competitive off their current marks.

RACE 4				8:00 PM		(R\$115,000)		Vaal		--	1600m
1	752537	GIDDY UP GRACE	60	[7]	M K KATJEDI	5.4%	G J MAROUN	5.7%			
2	597	LANCE ATTACK	60	[5]	P MXOLI	9.9%	S J GRAY	9.9%			
3	780776	FLOTILLA	60	[6]	J GATES	6.7%	S J GRAY	9.9%			
4	80	CAT'S FUTURE	60	[1]	T MAYHEW	6.2%	H E ADAMSON	14.6%			
5	6	JET PLATINO	60	[2]	K STRYDOM	9.5%	W/W MARWING	5.3%			
6	5	MADRID	60	[4]	C HABIB	10.3%	A G LAIRD	10.3%			
7	656552	BE THE ONE	57	[3]	M YENI	11.9%	P F MATCHETT	6.7%			



SELECTIONS		FAST FORM	VAAL		1600M DISTANCE		BEST TIME 1600M	
* 7	BE THE ONE				1	GIDDY UP GRACE 56%	1	GIDDY UP GRACE 1:37.39
1	GIDDY UP GRACE						7	BE THE ONE 1:40.41
6	MADRID						3	FLOTTILLA 1:41.21
5	JET PLATINO							
IRACE								

Race Preview: BETH ONE improved to finish 2nd over 1450m last time and a repeat of that performance over this extended trip should suffice. MADRID and JET PLATINO will know more about it after much-needed educational outings so could improve to have a say, along with GIDDY UP GRACE after a satisfactory Highveld introduction.

RACE 5 8:35 PM (R\$115,000)				Vaal -- 2000m				
1	6422	CLAIRWOOD BREEZE	60	[3]	M YENI	11.9%	P F MATCHETT	6.7%
2	809843	SIVAJI	60	[1]	J R SYSTER	11.6%	C J JONKER	2.9%
3	562434	COMIC ARTIST	56.5	[4]	J BOTES (2.5)	3.8%	F P HABIB	12.5%
4	00767	OVER SENSIBLE	56.5	[7]	M K KATJEDI	5.4%	R KLAASEN	10.9%
5	867466	GUS ON THE BUS	56	[5]	C ZACKY	17.3%	P F MATCHETT	6.7%
6	42	ONE EYE ON DUBAI (NZ)	56	[6]	G LERENA	18.0%	M/M DE KOCK	16.8%
7	645455	VERDANDI	52.5	[2]	P MXOLI	9.9%	P F MATCHETT	6.7%
8	560	MARANELLO	52.5	[8]	K J LIHABA	5.7%	P F MATCHETT	6.7%



SELECTIONS		FAST-FORM	VAAL		2000M DISTANCE		BEST TIME 2000M	
6	ONE EYE ON DUBAI (NZ)		6	ONE EYE ON DUBAI (NZ)	67%	3	COMIC ARTIST	2:04.83
1	CLAIRWOOD BREEZE		3	COMIC ARTIST	25%			
3	COMIC ARTIST					5	GUS ON THE BUS	2:09.82
2	SIVAJI					4	OVER SENSIBLE	2:10.79

Race Preview: CLAIRWOOD BREEZE wouldn't be winning out of turn after back-to-back recent seconds before joining his current yard. However, preference is for improving ONE EYE ON DUBAI who should have more to offer going this distance after a last-start 2nd over 1700m. SIVAJI and COMIC ARTIST have the form and experience to also have a say in the outcome.

RACE 6				9:10 PM		(R\$150,000)		Vaal		--	2400m
1	7	DEEPONE (GB)	60	[5]	P MXOLI	9.9%	S T PETTIGREW	16.6%			
2	681261	BELLEROPHON	50	[6]	K MATSUNYANE	10.0%	F P HABIB	12.5%			
3	391597	HOTARUBI	50	[3]	M K KATJEDI	5.4%	C J JONKER	2.9%			
4	986728	MO MENT	50	[8]	J R SYSTER	11.6%	B WEBBER	7.8%			
5	554059	TAXHAVEN	50	[1]	J BOTES (2.5)	3.8%	P F MATCHETT	6.7%			
6	070843	POSITIVE ATTITUDE	50	[4]	M YENI	11.9%	J A SOMA	17.4%			
7	114448	FUTUREWOLFF	50	[2]	J PENNY	5.9%	H E ADAMSON	14.6%			
8	212536	SAMUEL SHARPE	50	[7]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.0%	F P HABIB	12.5%			



SELECTIONS		FAST-FORM	VAAL		2400M DISTANCE		BEST TIME 2400M				
2	BELLEROPHON		2	BELLEROPHON	67%	7	FUTUREWOLFF	50%	2	BELLEROPHON	2:29.35
1	DEEPONE (GB)		6	POSITIVE ATTITUDE	67%	6	POSITIVE ATTITUDE	42%	7	FUTUREWOLFF	2:30.53
8	SAMUEL SHARPE		3	HOTARUBI	56%	2	BELLEROPHON	42%	5	TAXHAVEN	2:30.81
6	POSITIVE ATTITUDE		7	FUTUREWOLFF	26%	3	HOTARUBI	33%	4	MO MENT	2:31.96
			8	SAMUEL SHARPE	22%	8	SAMUEL SHARPE	33%	8	SAMUEL SHARPE	2:32.27

Race Preview: British import and DEEPONE would have needed his local introduction and is open to improvement trying this distance. However, conceding 9kg to last-start winner BELLEROPHON could prove a bridge too far over this trip. SAMUEL SHARPE and POSITIVE ATTITUDE are proven stayers with the means to make their presence felt too.

RACE 7				9:45 PM		(R\$120,000)		Vaal		--	1600m
1	311372	BOUNDLESS LOVE	60	[3]	C MAUJEAN	8.4%	R KLAASEN	10.9%			
2	083217	AFTER HOURS	59.5	[7]	J GATES	6.7%	S J GRAY	9.9%			
3	750741	PALACE ATTACK	59	[8]	G LERENA	18.0%	A G LAIRD	10.3%			
4	5211	SHERIFF BILL BROWN	57.5	[6]	K DE MELO	21.0%	M N HOUDALAKIS	13.1%			
5	630316	REDLIGHTGREENLIGHT	57.5	[4]	K MATSUNYANE	10.0%	A P PETER	18.7%			
6	655543	UNSOLVED RIDDLE	55	[1]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.0%	G J MAROUN	5.7%			
7	816762	LONE HORIZON	54.5	[2]	M YENI	11.9%	W/W MARWING	5.3%			
8	81922	AIN'T NO DOUBT	53	[5]	J BOTES (2.5)	3.8%	F P HABIB	12.5%			



SELECTIONS		FAST-FORM	VAAL		1600M DISTANCE		BEST TIME 1600M	
1	BOUNDLESS LOVE		3	PALACE ATTACK 83%	4	SHERIFF BILL BROWN 100%	5	REDLIGHTGREENLIGHT 1:34.80
4	SHERIFF BILL BROWN		1	BOUNDLESS LOVE 67%	8	AIN'T NO DOUBT 83%	2	AFTER HOURS 1:34.97
3	PALACE ATTACK		8	AIN'T NO DOUBT 56%	5	REDLIGHTGREENLIGHT 50%	4	SHERIFF BILL BROWN 1:35.42
8	AIN'T NO DOUBT		5	REDLIGHTGREENLIGHT 40%	1	BOUNDLESS LOVE 50%	6	UNSOLVED RIDDLE 1:35.44
			2	AFTER HOURS 15%	2	AFTER HOURS 31%	8	AIN'T NO DOUBT 1:36.22

Race Preview: BOUNDLESS LOVE was a game-in-defeat 2nd in a similar contest over 1800m last time and should be right in the firing line again over this shorter trip, even off a slightly higher mark. Exciting SHERIFF BILL BROWN won consecutive starts to close out a promising juvenile campaign and is open to any amount of improvement on his reappearance as a 3yo. Fellow-last-start winner PALACE ATTACK remains competitive under a penalty, as do progressive AIN'T NO DOUBT.

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RACE 8			10:20 PM	(R\$135,000)	Vaal -- 1200m		
1	335198	BOB'S YOUR UNCLE	62	[5]	G SAMO-BURTHIA (2.5)	9.0%	M N HOUDALAKIS 13.1%
2	844263	THE LAST DUKE	60	[1]	P MXOLI	9.9%	P F MATCHETT 6.7%
3	241375	RAFA BAY	58	[3]	M VRENSBURG	7.5%	C I JONKER 2.9%
4	301453	VIBE SA	58	[12]	G LERENA	18.0%	A P PETER 18.7%
5	135904	TITAN OF THE TURF	56	[6]	K MATSUNYANE	10.0%	A P PETER 18.7%
6	215119	CATFISH	54	[11]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.0%	F P HABIB 12.5%
7	672152	ANTONIO GAUDI	54	[7]	C HABIB	10.3%	R KLAASEN 10.9%
8	139425	STONEWOOD	54	[9]	C ZACKY	17.3%	M N HOUDALAKIS 13.1%
9	310030	BELIEVE IN FATE	52	[10]	M YENI	11.9%	J A SOMA 17.4%
10	410435	SHE'S ALL MINE	50	[2]	J GATES	6.7%	B WEBBER 7.8%
11	3170	TOMMY ATKINS	50	[8]	J R SYSTER	11.6%	A G LAIRD 10.3%
12	991144	COLD SHINE	50	[4]	J BOTES (2.5)	3.8%	M/M DE KOCK 16.8%

SELECTIONS		VAAL		1200M DISTANCE		BEST TIME 1200M	
2	THE LAST DUKE	11	TOMMY ATKINS 100%	2	THE LAST DUKE 58%	2	THE LAST DUKE 1:07.76
4	VIBE SA	12	COLD SHINE 100%	4	VIBE SA 40%	9	BELIEVE IN FATE 1:07.92
7	ANTONIO GAUDI	2	THE LAST DUKE 67%	1	BOB'S YOUR UNCLE 39%	1	BOB'S YOUR UNCLE 1:08.21
12	COLD SHINE	3	RAFA BAY 67%	10	SHE'S ALL MINE 37%	12	COLD SHINE 1:08.80
		6	CATFISH 67%	7	ANTONIO GAUDI 36%	4	VIBE SA 1:08.83

Race Preview: Cases can be made for several of these but a chance is taken on **THE LAST DUKE** whose form and consistency at a higher level stands him in good stead, even under top weight. **VIBE SA**, **ANTONIO GAUDI** and **COLD SHINE** have solid course-and-distance credentials and should be competitive on recent form.

RACE 9			10:55 PM	(R\$100,000)	Vaal -- 1400m		
1	921	ME AND YOU	60	[7]	C ZACKY	17.3%	M G AZZIE 9.1%
2	433430	APOSTROPHE	60	[9]	M K KATJEDI	5.4%	S G TARRY 14.3%
3	546143	EIGHT HATS	59	[8]	B MARX-JACOBSON	12.0%	P F MATCHETT 6.7%
4	731236	CONCORDIA	58.5	[2]	M YENI	11.9%	F BRONKHORST 5.6%
5	545415	BEAUTIFUL ONE	58	[6]	C MAUJJEAN	8.4%	F BRONKHORST 5.6%
6	640190	BABY RED	57	[1]	J PENNY	5.9%	H VAN DER WESTH 9.0%
7	337766	SUNSHINE DAY	57	[4]	T MAYHEW	6.2%	B WEBBER 7.8%
8	774124	SECRET LIFE	56.5	[5]	J GATES	6.7%	S J GRAY 9.9%
9	01	HIGHWAY HEIRESS	55.5	[12]	G SAMO-BURTHIA (2.5)	9.0%	W/W MARWING 5.3%
10	126454	CANT CATCH ME	54.5	[3]	J R SYSTER	11.6%	B WEBBER 7.8%
11	251650	MADAME POMPADOUR	53.5	[10]	P MXOLI	9.9%	W C MARWING 10.7%
12	999978	WAY TO BURN	53.5	[11]	K J LIHABA	5.7%	P F MATCHETT 6.7%

SELECTIONS		VAAL		1400M DISTANCE		BEST TIME 1400M	
1	ME AND YOU	11	MADAME POMPADOUR 38%	5	BEAUTIFUL ONE 33%	10	CANT CATCH ME 1:22.59
3	EIGHT HATS	5	BEAUTIFUL ONE 33%	8	SECRET LIFE 33%	4	CONCORDIA 1:23.29
8	SECRET LIFE	7	SUNSHINE DAY 28%	7	SUNSHINE DAY 30%	7	SUNSHINE DAY 1:23.68
4	CONCORDIA	10	CANT CATCH ME 19%	4	CONCORDIA 25%	3	EIGHT HATS 1:23.88
		6	BABY RED 17%	10	CANT CATCH ME 14%	11	MADAME POMPADOUR 1:24.01

Race Preview: **ME AND YOU** improved with each outing as a 2yo and confirmed as much with a dominant last-start success over 1600m. With further progress expected during her 3yo campaign, this is a good opportunity for her to make a winning reappearance. **EIGHT HATS**, **CONCORDIA** and **SECRET LIFE** have the form and experience to challenge, especially in receipt of weight from the selection.