

*** TAB TOP 7 MEETING!

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VAAL (SA) - 8 OCTOBER 2026

RACECOURSE: Turf. 3000m oval circuit. Races up to 1600m straight course; beyond 1600m clockwise round turn with 1000m run-in. **TOP JOCKEYS AT TRACK:** K de Melo 66-19 (28.79%)-23, C Habib 133-14 (10.53%)-45, M Yeni 101-13 (12.87%)-36, C Murray 88-13 (14.77%)-27 **TOP TRAINERS AT TRACK:** S G Tarry 154-28 (18.18%)-55, A P Peter 134-23 (17.16%)-52, B Webber 113-16 (14.16%)-25, F P Habib 102-14 (13.73%)-42 **DRAW:** Low-number draws slightly favoured in 1700m races. **APPRENTICES (ALLOWANCES):** J Botes (2.5), S Choi (4.0), Y Leung (4.0), B Marx-Jacobson, T Mayhew, A Mosaheb (2.5), G Samo-Burthia (2.5).

TAB BETS for this meeting = ALL RACES: Win, Place, Swinger, Exacta, Trifecta, Quartet, Rolling Double (Races 1-2; 2-3; 3-4 etc) and Pick 3 (Races 1-3; 2-4; 3-5 etc) AND Bipot (RACES 1-6), Place Accumulator (RACES 2-8), Pick 6 (RACES 3-8), Jackpot (RACES 4-7; 5-8). All bets R1 unit; minimum bet in TABs R6 except SWINGER minimum bet R2. EACHWAY bet of R3 Win and R3 Place, as well as 3-horse EXACTA or TRIFECTA Box or 4-horse SWINGER Box for R6 total cost can be taken. Minimum bet online R1. **TAB PICK 6 Rule:** If first-timer wins, first horse to finish of those to have run before also qualifies (also BIPOT if first-timers finish first and second). **TAB PLACE Rules:** Less than 6 runners no Place betting; 6-7 runners payouts FIRST, SECOND; 8-15 runners FIRST, SECOND, THIRD; 16 or more runners FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH. Fractional betting: Trifecta, Quartet, Bipot, PA, Pick 6, Jackpot. **ALL TO COME (WIN or PLACE)** any 2 or more races. **4Racing TAB** betting form: mark **VAAL** oval. **TAB Gold:** mark **GTG** oval. **TV:** ALL RACES RACING 240 (ch 240 DStv); ALL RACES GLOBAL TV (in TABs)

1 12:35 - 4RACING WELCOMES YOU MAIDEN PLATE (For all Maidens) Turf Straight Stake: R115,000 1000m

1 DOG IN THE FOG4Bg	M/M de Kock	60 C Murray	60 FIRST RUN
2 THANKSGIVING DAY3Bg	C/T Dawson	4 P Mxoli	59 0B10 8J16 2J10
3 AUTOGRAPH*3Bc	B Webber	2 C Habib	59 3B10 2V10 5J10
4 ARUMUGAM'S DREAM*3Bc	P F Matchett	7 *S Choi	59 8P14 6N12 8V12
5 CUBANO3Bc	D N Stenger	10 *T Mayhew	59 FIRST RUN
6 EASTWOOD3Bg	R R Magner	5 M Yeni	59 FIRST RUN
7 KAY KIWI3Bg	F Bronkhorst	3 S Moodley	59 FIRST RUN
8 NICCI BEACH3Bg	A P Peter	1 K Matsunyane	59 FIRST RUN
9 NOW I'M ROYAL3Bg	C J Lensley	8 *B Marx-Jacobson	59 FIRST RUN
10 SWISS CROSS3Chg	C I Jonker	9 *A Mosaheb	59 6V12

Same Trainer: None.

FORECAST BETTING: 3-1 THANKSGIVING DAY, EASTWOOD; 7-1 DOG IN THE FOG, AUTOGRAPH, CUBANO, KAY KIWI, NICCI BEACH; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

HEADGEAR CHANGE: BLINKERS ON: ARUMUGAM'S DREAM.

TIPS: 2 THANKSGIVING DAY 1 DOG IN THE FOG 7 KAY KIWI 5 CUBANO

PREVIEW: THANKSGIVING DAY improved after gelding to finish second last time so could go one better if making further progress. AUTOGRAPH has the form and experience to be competitive, though a bigger threat will likely come from the newcomers. KAY KIWI, CUBANO and 4yo DOG IN THE FOG are bred to be useful so warrant respect before any betting clues. Follow the market moves.

2 13:10 - #YOU CAN BET ON US! MAIDEN PLATE (F & M) (For Maiden Fillies and Mares) Turf Straight Stake: R110,000 1000m

1 PITERAQ*4Bf	F Bronkhorst	11 M Yeni	60 8K12 2V10 5V12
2 ELEGANT EDGE*4Chf	C Binda	6 C Habib	60 4T10 5V10 2J10
3 MARY'S CAPTAIN*4Bf	G J Maroun	8 *S Choi	60 5J12 0V10 0V12
4 RAFAEF'S QUEEN3Bf	S T Pettigrew	10 K de Melo	59 2V10 2B12 2J12
5 RUBY WHISPER*3Bf	F Bronkhorst	9 S Moodley	59 2B10 2T10 2B10
6 ASTROPHILE*3Grf	A P Peter	12 K Matsunyane	59 6V10 2B10 4J10
7 FASCINATOR*3Bf	P F Matchett	5 P Mxoli	59 8V10 0V14 4J10
8 MARANELLO3Bf	P F Matchett	2 *J Botes	59 5J10 6B10 0V10
9 BEAUTIFUL ROSIE (AUS)3Bf	M/M de Kock	1 C Murray	59 4T10
10 LANCE DANCER3Bf	S J Gray	3 J R Syster	59 8V12
11 MATINEE3Bf	S G Tarry	4 *A Mosaheb	59 FIRST RUN
12 QUEEN INDRANI3Chf	P F Matchett	7 *B Marx-Jacobson	59 8K12 0S12

Same Trainer: (1 & 5); (7 & 8 & 12).

FORECAST BETTING: 3-1 RAFAEF'S QUEEN; 7-2 RUBY WHISPER; 5-1 BEAUTIFUL ROSIE, MATINEE; 7-1 PITERAQ, ELEGANT EDGE, ASTROPHILE; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

HEADGEAR CHANGE: BLINKERS ON: MARY'S CAPTAIN. CHEEK PIECES OFF: PITERAQ.

TIPS: 4 RAFAEF'S QUEEN 5 RUBY WHISPER 9 BEAUTIFUL ROSIE 11 MATINEE

PREVIEW: RAFAEF'S QUEEN has finished second in 3 consecutive starts so deserves to get her head in front. RUBY WHISPER fits a similar profile but may need the outing after a 135-day absence. BEAUTIFUL ROSIE is open to any amount of improvement on her reappearance after an encouraging debut and subsequent layoff. PITERAQ, ELEGANT EDGE and ASTROPHILE have the form and experience to get into the picture. Newcomer MATINEE is bred to be useful so worth a market check on debut. Respect any betting support.

3 13:45 - BETWAY SUMMER CUP 28 NOVEMBER MAIDEN PLATE (For all Maidens) Turf Right-Hand Turn Stake: R115,000 1800m

1 SIVAJ4Bg	C I Jonker	4 *A Mosaheb	60 4V18 3J18 6V20
2 DREADNOUGHT3Bc	C Binda	7 C Habib	57 2B12 3P16 2G16
3 LANCE ATTACK3Bg	S J Gray	1 P Mxoli	57 9V12 7V14 3V16
4 GUS ON THE BUS3Bg	C I Jonker	8 M K Katjedi	57 6V20 6J18 3V20
5 JET PLATINO3Bg	W/W Marwing	6 K Minnie	57 6J12 5V16
6 NOBLE CHIEFDOM3Bg	S J Gray	9 J R Syster	57 8J14
7 GIDDY UP GRACE*4Chf	G J Maroun	2 K de Melo	56.5 7J12 2V16 2V16
8 COMIC ARTIST4Bf	F P Habib	3 *Y Leung	56.5 4V20 3B24 4J18
9 SULTRY SHADOW*3Bf	J S Roux	5 J Penny	53.5 0V14 8V14 7V12

Same Trainer: (1 & 4); (3 & 6).

FORECAST BETTING: 13-10 DREADNOUGHT; 3-1 LANCE ATTACK, GIDDY UP GRACE; 10-1 GUS ON THE BUS, JET PLATINO, COMIC ARTIST; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

TIPS: 2 DREADNOUGHT 7 GIDDY UP GRACE 3 LANCE ATTACK 8 COMIC ARTIST

PREVIEW: DREADNOUGHT got going too late when narrowly beaten over 1600m so won't need to improve much to go one better over this extended trip. Filly GIDDY UP GRACE has finished second in consecutive starts over 1600m so should have a role to play if equally effective over the extra 200m. COMIC ARTIST and GUS ON THE BUS have the form and experience to make their presence felt too, while LANCE ATTACK need only confirm the improvement of his last start to play a role in the outcome.

4 14:20 - PLAY SOCCER 6, 10 AND 13 NOVICE HANDICAP (Maidens & 1 time winners) Turf Straight Stake: R100,000 1200m

1 SANDS OF VALHALLA3Bc	A P Peter	4 K Strydom	60 7G12 3J16 5V12
2 STATUS SYMBOL*3Bg	S G Tarry	9 K de Melo	59 8S12 0G12 4J12
3 KAVADY3Chf	M Pandaram	2 T Godden	58 5G14 9J12 6G12
4 RACHETTU4Bg	A P Peter	7 K Matsunyane	56 7K10 2K12 1D12
5 COOL GAMBLER4Bg	M/M de Kock	11 C Murray	55.5 5T11 1V12
6 EVENING PARADE3Bg	C Binda	10 C Habib	55 7B10 1T10 3T11
7 MATROOSBERG*4Bg	S G Tarry	5 S Moodley	55 9B14 6J12 5J14
8 TREASURE STATE4Bf	S G Tarry	1 M K Katjedi	53 3B10 4V10 1V12
9 WILLOW CHARM*4Bg	S J Gray	8 *A Mosaheb	53 6V12 2J12 1V12
10 GOD'S COUNTRY4Bg	B Webber	6 J R Syster	52 6V10 1V12 2V12
11 ADA LOVELACE*4Bf	B Webber	3 P Mxoli	52 8V12 7V12 7V12

Same Trainer: (1 & 4); (2 & 7 & 8); (10 & 11).

FORECAST BETTING: 14-10 COOL GAMBLER; 4-1 EVENING PARADE; 7-1 SANDS OF VALHALLA, STATUS SYMBOL, TREASURE STATE; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

DOWN IN CLASS: SANDS OF VALHALLA, KAVADY. **HEADGEAR CHANGE:** BLINKERS ON: ADA LOVELACE.

TIPS: 5 COOL GAMBLER 2 STATUS SYMBOL 6 EVENING PARADE 1 SANDS OF VALHALLA

PREVIEW: Well-related COOL GAMBLER made marked improvement after a rest and gelding to score over course and distance last time, and he could make a winning handicap debut with further progress expected. STATUS SYMBOL bounced back to form in his most recent outing and will be competitive if repeating that performance. EVENING PARADE acquitted himself well when last seen and has scope to improve on his reappearance. Last-start maiden winners RACHETTU (Highveld debut) and TREASURE STATE fit a similar profile so have to be respected. SANDS OF VALHALLA is another with earning potential.

514:55 - TICKETS @ Howler for the BETWAY SUMMER CUP PINNACLE STAKES (Open to all horses) <i>Turf Straight</i>				Stake: R150,000 1100m			
1	BUFFALO STORM CODY*5Bg	A P Peter	2	K Matsunyane	62	2T11	2G12 1G12
2	TRUTH5GrG	C/T Dawson	12	T Godden	60	6T10	8T10 6V10
3	ZIYASHA6Bg	C Binda	11	R Danielson	60	1T11	5S12 6G12
4	KAALVOET4Bg	C Binda	8	C Habib	56	4S12	9G12 6G10
5	MEU CAPITANO6Bg	F P Habib	6	*B Marx-Jacobson	56	9K11	0K12 7V10
6	GREEN DIAMOND4Bf	S G Tarry	5	K de Melo	54	4T10	8G12 5V10
7	CHAPBOOK*4Bg	C Binda	7	S Moodley	54	3T10	2T11 5G10
8	BOB'S YOUR UNCLE*7Bg	M N Houdalakis	13	*J Botes	52	9T14	8T14 8V12
9	CHARMING CHEETAH*4Bg	R Klaasen	1	M Yeni	52	6T11	5J12 1V12
10	ESPINOZA*5Bg	S M Naidoo	9	*G Samo-Burthia	52	3T11	1T11 3V10
11	LEAD THE CHARGE5Bg	M G Azzie	10	J R Systser	50	1B10	6J10 0T14
12	THE LAST DUKE*4Bg	P F Matchett	50	P Mxoli	50	6J12	3J12 2V12
13	RAFA BAY*5Bg	C I Jonker	3	*A Mosaheb	50	5T10	4V10 0V12

Same Trainer: (3 & 4 & 7).

FORECAST BETTING: 8-10 BUFFALO STORM CODY; 10-1 ZIYASHA, GREEN DIAMOND, CHAPBOOK; 12-1 AND UP-WARDS OTHERS.

TIPS: 1 BUFFALO STORM CODY 9 CHARMING CHEETAH 2 TRUTH 7 CHAPBOOK

PREVIEW: Equus Champion Sprinter BUFFALO STORM CODY sets a lofty standard and will not have to be fully tuned to make a winning seasonal debut. Fellow last-start winner CHARMING CHEETAH has a bit to find at the weights and on official ratings but is most effective with blinkers and a tongue-tie fitted, so he should make his presence felt. TRUTH won his only outing over this distance and has to be respected too, along with ZIYASHA and his recently gelded stablemate CHAPBOOK. Both KAALVOET and ESPINOZA can get into the picture too.

615:30 - RACING TODAY FM 89 DIVIDED HANDICAP (F & M) (For Fillies and Mares) <i>Turf Straight</i>				Stake: R110,000 1000m			
1	VERSACE ONTHETRACK*4Grf	P F Matchett	5	P Mxoli	60	4T11	5J10 7V10
2	PLAYING TRIX4Bf	F P Habib	6	*B Marx-Jacobson	58.5	8D10	0B10 1V10
3	SHE'S ALL MINE4Bf	B Webber	9	C Habib	56.5	3V10	5J12 6V12
4	SAKURA HANAMI*4Bf	S G Tarry	7	K de Melo	55.5	3T11	2J12 1T11
5	POWER OF PEARLS4Chf	C/T Dawson	3	K Matsunyane	55	1N10	3J10 1J10
6	THERE SHE GOES8Bm	W/W Marwing	2	*Y Leung	54	6V10	2T10 3B10
7	APPARITION3Bf	M/M de Kock	8	M Yeni	53.5	1T10	2T11
8	LOVE NOT WAR3Bf	S T Pettigrew	1	*J Botes	53	6T14	2V10 3V10
9	RAINING RUBIES<7Bm	H van der Westhuizen	4	J Penny	53	8B10	1B10 5V10

Same Trainer: None.

FORECAST BETTING: 3-1 APPARITION; 5-1 PLAYING TRIX, SAKURA HANAMI, POWER OF PEARLS; 7-1 SHE'S ALL MINE, THERE SHE GOES, LOVE NOT WAR; 10-1 VERSACE ONTHETRACK; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

DOWN IN CLASS: SHE'S ALL MINE, THERE SHE GOES.

TIPS: 2 PLAYING TRIX 4 SAKURA HANAMI 1 VERSACE ONTHETRACK 7 APPARITION

PREVIEW: PLAYING TRIX was a most impressive course-and-distance winner at this level last time in her first start for this stable. She copped the maximum 8-point penalty but, on the evidence of her last-start win, that may not be enough to prevent her from following up. Fellow recent scorer SAKURA HANAMI also remains competitive off her revised mark and should be competitive. VERSACE ONTHETRACK, POWER OF PEARLS and THERE SHE GOES have the means to play a role racing fresh after respective absences. Unexposed APPARITION is open to improvement so is best kept onside.

716:05 - RACING240 FM 74 DIVIDED HANDICAP (F & M) (For Fillies and Mares) <i>Turf Straight</i>				Stake: R100,000 1000m			
1	ELUSIVE DRAGON3Bf	P F Matchett	8	P Mxoli	60	9T11	7G12 1J12
2	CALADRIUS*3Bf	A P Peter	9	K Matsunyane	59.5	1V10	4V10 1J10
3	TRADITIONAL BELIEF4Bf	M G Azzie	4	*B Marx-Jacobson	59	7T11	3T11 6J12
4	WINGS OF KILDRA*4Bf	D N Stenger	2	*T Mayhew	59	5B10	8T11 3V10
5	VALIEVA*5Bm	F Bronkhorst	3	S Moodley	58.5	4T11	4V10 7V12
6	TAKING A RISK4Bf	M G Azzie	6	R Danielson	58	2B10	2J10 3V10
7	MASTER'S LADY4Bf	R R Magner	5	*J Botes	57.5	4T10	6V10 1T10
8	USHOULDBEDANCING3Bf	R Klaasen	7	K Strydom	57	6J10	7J12 7V10
9	SURREAL SONG4Bf	P F Matchett	1	M Yeni	57	1B10	4V10 4V10

Same Trainer: (1 & 9); (3 & 6).

FORECAST BETTING: 3-1 CALADRIUS, TAKING A RISK; 7-1 TRADITIONAL BELIEF, WINGS OF KILDRA, SURREAL SONG; 10-1 ELUSIVE DRAGON, VALIEVA, MASTER'S LADY, USHOULDBEDANCING

TIPS: 2 CALADRIUS 3 TRADITIONAL BELIEF 6 TAKING A RISK 9 SURREAL SONG

PREVIEW: CALADRIUS won a stronger race beating male opposition at this level last time and the 3-point penalty shouldn't halt her momentum back against same-sex company. ELUSIVE DRAGON and MASTER'S LADY could be leniently treated on handicap debut off their current marks. TRADITIONAL BELIEF races off a career-low mark back in female-only company so should pose more of a threat in her peak run. WINGS OF KILDRA, TAKING A RISK and SURREAL SONG are also capable of getting involved.

816:40 - NEXT VAAL RACEMEETING THURSDAY 15 OCTOBER MR 66 HANDICAP (Open) <i>Turf Straight</i>				Stake: R90,000 1400m			
1	LONGSWORD*6Bg	S G Tarry	8	K de Melo	62.5	3B14	9V14 6J14
2	OKLAHOMA TWISTER*6Chg	H van der Westhuizen	7	J Penny	62	7V15	0B20 6T16
3	GUNBOAT4Bg	W/W Marwing	2	*Y Leung	61.5	6B14	0G18 0J18
4	ON A JET PLANE*5Chm	S J Gray	1	R Danielson	60	4B14	1B14 7V14
5	SILVER COMET3Bg	A P Peter	13	K Matsunyane	59	9V16	6J16 8V14
6	BERRY LANCER3Bg	S J Gray	12	P Mxoli	58.5	3V14	3V12 1V12
7	SAIL THE SKY6Bg	C I Jonker	11	*A Mosaheb	57.5	8T14	3B16 3V14
8	COMMANDER OF ALL*<6Bg	B Webber	6	C Habib	56.5	6V16	7J14 1V14
9	KYLIE'S ANGEL6Bm	C J Lensley	10	M Yeni	55.5	2B14	2V12 6J12
10	CANT CATCH ME7Bm	B Webber	4	J R Systser	55	4J14	7V14 6V14
11	KING BLUETOOTH4Bg	C I Jonker	3	M K Katjedi	54.5	8B12	6V14 5J14
12	RADU7Bm	S G Tarry	9	S Moodley	54.5	0P17	5G18 8N20
13	THAMBI*7Chg	M Pandaram	5	T Godden	53.5	0P20	4B20 0V20

Same Trainer: (1 & 12); (4 & 6); (7 & 11); (8 & 10).

FORECAST BETTING: 9-2 SAIL THE SKY, COMMANDER OF ALL; 11-2 LONGSWORD; 7-1 BERRY LANCER; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

DOWN IN CLASS: LONGSWORD, OKLAHOMA TWISTER, GUNBOAT, ON A JET PLANE, SILVER COMET, KYLIE'S ANGEL, CANT CATCH ME, KING BLUETOOTH. **HEADGEAR CHANGE:** BLINKERS ON: THAMBI. BLINKERS OFF: GUNBOAT.

TIPS: 6 BERRY LANCER 7 SAIL THE SKY 8 COMMANDER OF ALL 11 KING BLUETOOTH

PREVIEW: This won't take much winning so it could pay to follow the progress of BERRY LANCER whose 1200m maiden victory was authoritative and gave the impression that this extended trip could unlock further improvement. Hard-knockers SAIL THE SKY and COMMANDER OF ALL are closely matched on recent course-and-distance form, and there shouldn't be much between the pair on the revised weight terms. Veteran mare CANT CATCH ME and KING BLUETOOTH have dropped to a competitive mark and could get into the picture. Class-droppers LONGSWORD, OKLAHOMA TWISTER and SILVER COMET are others with earning potential.

HOW TO READ FIELDS: Runner info shown as follows: Number; Horse; Age; colour; sex; Career record: wins-places-runs; Trainer; Draw (position in starting gate); Jockey; Weight to be carried included rider & equipment; Last 3 runs with most recent on right. After horse name: * =Blinkers; \$ =Cheek Pieces; !=Pacifiers; !=Visor; ^ =Hood; ? =Compression Hood; % =Blinkers/ Compression Hood; > = Cheekpieces/Compression Hood; & =Pacifiers/Compression Hood; \$ =Cheekpieces/Pacifiers; +=Earmuffs; !=Eye Shield; Before the jockey name: * =apprentice. Last three runs are shown in order of finishing position; racecourse; distance; lengths beaten. Thus 3V12 is third at Vaal over 1200m. If underscored 1T12 the race followed a rest of 60 days or more. RACECOURSE ABBREVIATIONS: D-Durbanville; E-Fairview Polytrack; F-Fairview Turf; G-Greyville; N-Greyville Polytrack; W-Kenilworth (Winter); K-Kenilworth (Summer); Y-Kimberley; M-Mauritius; R-Randiesfontein; S-Scotts-ville; P-Scottsville Inside; T-Turffontein Standside; J-Turffontein Inside; B-Vaal Classic; V-Vaal Turf; Z-Zimbabwe; X-Overseas.
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