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VAAL CLASSIC (SA) - 23 DECEMBER 2025

RACECOURSE: Turf. 2800m oval track. Races up to 1000m straight course; beyond 1000m clockwise round turn with 1000m run-in. **TOP JOCKEYS AT TRACK:** G Lerena 106-38 (35.85%)-45, C Zackey 101-24 (23.76%)-34, P Mxoli 111-14 (12.61%)-33, K Matsunyane 122-13 (10.66%)-54 **TOP TRAINERS AT TRACK:** A P Peter 93-16 (17.20%)-34, S G Tarry 91-13 (14.29%)-33, M N Houdalakis 54-11 (20.37%)-17, P F Matchett 116-10 (8.62%)-26 **DRAW:** High-number draws favoured over 1000m; low-number draws best 1200m and 1450m. **APPRENTICES (ALLOWANCES):** K J Lihaba, T Mayhew, S Valjalo (4.0).

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 12:15 - 4RACING WELCOMES YOU MAIDEN PLATE (F & M) (For Maiden Fillies and Mares) Turf Right-Hand Turn

Stake: R105,000 1600m

1 WINDS OF GRACE4Bf	M G Azzie	2 G Lerena	60	2J16	2V14	3B14
2 VIXENINTHEVINEYARD4Bf	A Ndzilana	10 K Matsunyane	60	3D12	0D12	6T11
3 HUBERTUS HUNT3Bf	M N Houdalakis	7 M Yeni	59	8V16	6J18	2V14
4 GALAXY QUEEN3Bf	S G Tarry	5 C Zackey	59	4V12	3J16	4B16
5 MATTER OF TRUST*3Chf	R Klaasen	6 *S Valjalo	59	3V17	7J17	0B16
6 INVICTUS JET*3Bf	C I Jonker	8 M K Katjedi	59	0N20	4G16	0B16
7 E FAMOUS3Bf	B B Rutgers	4 J R Systser	59			0B14
8 IN BETWEEN3Grf	P F Matchett	1 #R A Venniker	59		5J10	0T11
9 MADE TO MEASURE3Bf	A G Laird	9 C Maujean	59		8V12	0V14
10 SHADOWLINE3Bf	S T Pettigrew	3 P Mxoli	59		5J16	5V17

Same Trainer: None.

FORECAST BETTING: 2-1 WINDS OF GRACE; 28-10 GALAXY QUEEN; 9-2 HUBERTUS HUNT; 7-1 SHADOWLINE; 10-1 MADE TO MEASURE; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

TIPS: 1 WINDS OF GRACE 4 GALAXY QUEEN 3 HUBERTUS HUNT 10 SHADOWLINE

PREVIEW: WINDS OF GRACE has been costly to follow but deserves to break her duck after several near misses. GALAXY QUEEN and HUBERTUS HUNT finished close-up last time and they wouldn't need to improve a great deal to make life difficult for the selection. SHADOWLINE, MADE TO MEASURE and IN BETWEEN have scope to improve, so they could get into the picture too.

2 12:50 - RACING TODAY MAIDEN PLATE (For all Maidens) Turf Right-Hand Turn

Stake: R120,000 1600m

1 MILAN'S WORLD4Bg	S G Tarry	1 C Habib	60	2V12	2T14	4B16
2 INCLUSION4Bg	T Zackey	10 P Mxoli	60	4T14	8V18	2V20
3 AFTERBURN4Bg	C I Jonker	4 *K J Lihaba	60	5V14	9V17	7V14
4 COPPER CLIFF4Bg	P F Matchett	6 #R A Venniker	60	6V12	6T11	3J15
5 EAGLES ROCK4Chg	C I Jonker	5 N Klink	60	9G16	0N20	0B14
6 GAVIUS MAXIMUS*3Bg	J J van Vuuren	3 G Lerena	59	4B12	2J16	7B14
7 LANCE ALOT3Bg	S J Gray	8 *S Valjalo	59	5T11	5V14	2B16
8 BRODY3Bg	C Mayhew	11 *T Mayhew	59	8J16	8V17	0J17
9 ONE OF THOSE DAYS3Bg	S G Tarry	7 C Zackey	59		7T11	6B14
10 SHOREYBOMBA3Bg	J Crawford	9 S Khumalo	59		8T11	3B14
11 BABETTE'S FEAST3Bf	M/M de Kock	2 C Murray	56	4T11	3B16	5V14

Same Trainer: (1 & 9); (3 & 5).

FORECAST BETTING: 4-1 MILAN'S WORLD, BABETTE'S FEAST; 5-1 LANCE ALOT, SHOREYBOMBA; 6-1 COPPER CLIFF, ONE OF THOSE DAYS; 8-1 GAVIUS MAXIMUS; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

TIPS: 7 LANCE ALOT 1 MILAN'S WORLD 10 SHOREYBOMBA 9 ONE OF THOSE DAYS

PREVIEW: LANCE ALOT improved to finish ahead of MILAN'S WORLD over track and trip last time, and he should confirm his superiority on 4kg better terms in his peak outing. SHOREYBOMBA, ONE OF THOSE DAYS and GAVIUS MAXIMUS are closely matched on the form of a recent 1450m meeting at this venue. They are improving and should have more to offer over this extended trip. Filly BABETTE'S FEAST gets weight from those rivals so shouldn't be taken lightly. COPPER CLIFF was backed at long odds when a fast-finishing 3rd over 1500m last time and this distance could be more to his liking.

3 13:25 - PLAY SOCCER 6, 10 AND 13 MR 76 HANDICAP (Open) Turf Right-Hand Turn

Stake: R105,000 2000m

1 NKWENKWEZI*4Bf	C Binda	7 C Habib	60.5	1V17	1B16	1V20
2 ONE MORE STAR4Chc	A G Laird	9 C Murray	60.5	0T14	0T16	7J14
3 SKY PILLAR ROCK4Chg	R Klaasen	2 *S Valjalo	60.5	5V24	3T16	1B18
4 BANHA BRIDGE9Chg	C/T Dawson	10 G Lerena	59	5V20	6G16	4V24
5 EIFFEL TOWER*5Bg	S J Gray	8 P Mxoli	59	7B14	2V15	7J14
6 BELLEROPHON*3Bg	F P Habib	4 C Zackey	58	1V15	9B16	4V18
7 PRETTY ANALIA*<6Bm	F Bronkhorst	3 S Khumalo	57	7V18	6V20	6B16
8 CASUS BELL4Chg	P F Matchett	6 #R A Venniker	53	7N20	4J20	3J20
9 INSTANT ATTRACTION*4Bf	C Mayhew	1 C Maujean	53	2V18	5B20	8V17
10 FULL GO<7Bg	B B Rutgers	5 K Matsunyane	52	0V20	7V18	0J20

Same Trainer: None.

FORECAST BETTING: 3-1 NKWENKWEZI; 4-1 BELLEROPHON; 5-1 SKY PILLAR ROCK; 6-1 BANHA BRIDGE; 7-1 CASUS BELL; 8-1 EIFFEL TOWER; 10-1 PRETTY ANALIA; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

DOWN IN CLASS: NKWENKWEZI, ONE MORE STAR, EIFFEL TOWER, BELLEROPHON, PRETTY ANALIA, INSTANT ATTRACTION. **HEADGEAR CHANGE:** CHEEK PIECES OFF: BELLEROPHON.

TIPS: 1 NKWENKWEZI 3 SKY PILLAR ROCK 4 BANHA BRIDGE 6 BELLEROPHON

PREVIEW: Thriving NKWENKWEZI and progressive BELLEROPHON have the form and experience to fight out the finish, but both are engaged to run at an earlier meeting which casts doubt over their participation. Last-start winner SKY PILLAR ROCK and veteran hard-knocker BANHA BRIDGE ought to remain competitive, so too should CASUS BELL who has found form dropped in the ratings. EIFFEL TOWER and INSTANT ATTRACTION have earning potential too.

4 14:00 - FOR HOSPITALITY BOOKINGS CALL 011 681 1796 MR 74 HANDICAP (Open) Turf Right-Hand Turn

Stake: R100,000 1500m

1 JOHNNY DRAMA4Chg	R Klaasen	2 *S Valjalo	62.5	4T16	8J16	1B16
2 EXPRESS YOURSELF4Bg	C/T Dawson	10 #R A Venniker	61.5	8W16	4W16	7D20
3 FATHER CHRISTMAS4Bg	A P Peter	5 C Zackey	60.5	9W14	3B14	3V16
4 LADY BLUNT3Bf	B Webber	3 M V Rensburg	59.5	1J14	1V17	3B18
5 LAVA FIRE4Bg	T Zackey	8 P Mxoli	59.5	8J14	9J10	0T14
6 PRINCE OF KILDARE5Bg	B B Rutgers	7 C Murray	59.5	4B14	3V14	2T16
7 OKLAHOMA TWISTER*5Chg	H van der Westhuizen	9 J R Systser	58.5	6B14	1V16	7B15
8 ELUSIVE RED3Bc	R R Magner	6 D Schwarz	58	1J14	9V18	4V14
9 FORCE PUBLIQUE3Bg	M N Houdalakis	4 G Lerena	58	6T11	3V14	1B14
10 VIVA DE JANEIRO*6Bg	F Bronkhorst	1 K Matsunyane	52	8B16	0V17	7B18

Same Trainer: None.

FORECAST BETTING: 4-1 FATHER CHRISTMAS, PRINCE OF KILDARE; 5-1 LADY BLUNT, FORCE PUBLIQUE; 6-1 JOHNNY DRAMA; 8-1 EXPRESS YOURSELF; 10-1 ELUSIVE RED; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

DOWN IN CLASS: OKLAHOMA TWISTER.

TIPS: 3 FATHER CHRISTMAS 6 PRINCE OF KILDARE 1 JOHNNY DRAMA 9 FORCE PUBLIQUE

PREVIEW: FATHER CHRISTMAS and PRINCE OF KILDARE are closely matched on their 1450m meeting in October. The latter is 0.5kg better off but the former is open to improvement in his peak outing so can uphold that form. Thriving LADY BLUNT, last-start maiden winner FORCE PUBLIQUE and unexposed ELUSIVE RED also have the means to make their presence felt. Highveld newcomer EXPRESS YOURSELF isn't underestimated on his reappearance.

514:35 - TAB 4RACING APP FM 95 DIVIDED HAND-ICAP (F & M) (For Fillies and Mares) <i>Turf Right-Hand Turn</i>					Stake: R135,000 1450m				
1	THAT'S MY BABY	<5Bm	S G Tarry	7	#M Michel	62.5	8J14	5J14	5B15
2	FRANCILIEN	<4Bf	M N Houdalakis	3	C Zackey	59.5	2V12	2V12	9J14
3	TINA LOVELACE	3Bf	S G Tarry	5	S Khumalo	59	2G16	4B14	6T14
4	POINTER	4Bf	A G Laird	4	C Habib	57	0T11	8T10	0B12
5	HONG KONG	*4Bf	A P Peter	2	G Lerena	56	1V12	4J12	0T11
6	LADY SABRINA	%4Bf	W/W Marwing	8	*K J Lihaba	55.5	3B15	1J14	2J14
7	TOO LATE MY MATE	\$4Bf	A G Laird	9	C Maujean	54.5	5T16	4J14	2B14
8	PRINCESS ILARIA	6Bm	F Bronkhorst	1	K Matsunyane	53	3J14	5V17	4B16
9	LET'S GO LOLA	3Chf	P F Matchett	6	P Mxoli	52	0G12	3T11	8T11

Same Trainer: (1 & 3); (4 & 7).

FORECAST BETTING: 4-1 FRANCILIEN; 5-1 LADY SABRINA, PRINCESS ILARIA; 6-1 THAT'S MY BABY, TINA LOVELACE, HONG KONG; 8-1 POINTER; 10-1 LET'S GO LOLA; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.
DOWN IN CLASS: THAT'S MY BABY, TINA LOVELACE, HONG KONG, LET'S GO LOLA.
TIPS: 8 PRINCESS ILARIA 1 THAT'S MY BABY 6 LADY SABRINA 3 TINA LOVELACE
PREVIEW: Several with chances in a small but competitive lineup, but a chance is taken on consistent PRINCESS ILARIA (unbeaten over track and trip) capitalising off a slightly reduced mark. Class-droppers THAT'S MY BABY, staminate TINA LOVELACE, HONG KONG and LADY SABRINA boast solid form credentials too. Bottom-weight LET'S GO LOLA is also dangerous to discount. FRANCILIEN has both the form and experience at this level to stake a claim but this trip is at the very end of her range.

615:15 - RACING240 FM 77 DIVIDED HANDICAP (F & M) (For Fillies and Mares) <i>Turf Right-Hand Turn</i>					Stake: R105,000 1450m				
1	SISTER GOLDEN HAIR	3Bf	W/W Marwing	6	*K J Lihaba	60	1B15	7J12	0T16
2	PRINCESS KEIRA	3Bf	S G Tarry	9	#M Michel	59	7V17	9T16	8B16
3	SARAGOSSA CAT (ARG)	3Bf	J J van Vuuren	8	G Lerena	59	1J12	6J12	1V14
4	WHIRLYBIRD	5Bm	C Binda	10	C Habib	59	5V12	2J12	3T11
5	OPEN SESAME	3Bf	M/M de Kock	2	C Murray	58	3T11	1T14	6V17
6	FIRE IN HER SOUL	\$3Bf	M N Houdalakis	4	C Zackey	57.5	1B14	3V14	0T16
7	INTO DANCING	*3Bf	S T Pettigrew	7	J R Syster	55.5	3T20	4J16	1J17
8	DONDYOYAKI	*3Grf	F Bronkhorst	1	M Yeni	54.5	9V12	7V10	1V14
9	HEAVENLY GOOD	3Grf	A P Peter	3	*S Valjalo	54.5	1T14	8J14	5J14
10	ZAHRA DOMINIA	3Bf	T Zackey	5	P Mxoli	54	1B14	4J14	0V17

Same Trainer: None.

FORECAST BETTING: 3-1 SARAGOSSA CAT; 4-1 FIRE IN HER SOUL; 5-1 INTO DANCING; 6-1 OPEN SESAME; 7-1 WHIRLYBIRD; 10-1 SISTER GOLDEN HAIR; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.
DOWN IN CLASS: SISTER GOLDEN HAIR, FIRE IN HER SOUL.
TIPS: 3 SARAGOSSA CAT 6 FIRE IN HER SOUL 4 WHIRLYBIRD 7 INTO DANCING
PREVIEW: FIRE IN HER SOUL fluffed her lines in a 3yo feature last time but is 2.5kg better off with last-start winner SARAGOSSA CAT on earlier 1400m form, so there shouldn't be much separating the pair on these terms. However, the latter continues to improve and will have more to offer over this extended trip. Fellow recent scorers INTO DANCING and DONDYOYAKI have more to do on handicap debut but could get a look in. Hard-knocker WHIRLYBIRD and maturing 3yo ZAHRA DOMINIA should pose more of a threat.

715:50 - 4RACING WISHES YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS FM 91 DIVIDED HANDICAP (F & M) (For Fillies and Mares) <i>Turf Straight</i>					Stake: R135,000 1000m				
1	MISS SCALETTA	4Bf	P F Matchett	11	M K Katjedi	64.5	1J16	5T18	5T18
2	GLASTONBURY	3Bf	P F Matchett	4	#R A Venniker	60	5T11	9S12	7J10
3	THEATRE OF LIFE	4Bf	P/J Vermeulen	5	*S Valjalo	60	1T16	0T16	7J14
4	GREEN FLASH	5Bm	B Warren	8	G Lerena	59.5	5V12	1B10	2B12
5	ALPINE JET	3Bf	J J van Vuuren	10	M Yeni	59	1V10	6T10	8J10
6	ROAMING SPIRIT	*4Bf	M/M de Kock	7	C Murray	59	4J12	5T10	4B12
7	MANYELETI	3Chf	M N Houdalakis	2	C Zackey	57		1V10	2J10
8	BOSUM BUDDY	4Bf	P F Matchett	3	P Mxoli	56	8B10	3V12	8V12
9	GLOBAL THUNDER	\$5Bm	C J Lensley	6	K Matsunyane	56	5V10	5V10	6B10
10	VALIEVA	4Bf	F Bronkhorst	9	S Khumalo	56	8J14	5J10	7B12
11	MYSTICAL MISS	3Bf	S G Tarry	1	#M Michel	54.5	4B10	4T11	5J12
12	MISS NOVAX	3Bf	M N Houdalakis	12	C Maujean	53.5	1B12	5B15	4V12

Same Trainer: (1 & 2 & 8); (7 & 12).

FORECAST BETTING: 2-1 MANYELETI; 4-1 GREEN FLASH; 5-1 ROAMING SPIRIT; 6-1 ALPINE JET; 8-1 MYSTICAL MISS; 10-1 MISS NOVAX; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.
DOWN IN CLASS: MISS SCALETTA, MISS NOVAX. **HEADGEAR CHANGE:** BLINKERS ON: ROAMING SPIRIT.
TIPS: 7 MANYELETI 4 GREEN FLASH 6 ROAMING SPIRIT 5 ALPINE JET
PREVIEW: MANYELETI was beaten for the first time recently but she lost little in defeat behind an experienced rival to whom she conceded weight. She is the least exposed of these runners and won't need to improve much to get back to winning ways. Fellow 3yo fillies ALPINE JET, MISS NOVAX and MYSTICAL MISS also have scope for improvement. Older duo GREEN FLASH and ROAMING SPIRIT (blinker strike) have the form and experience to acquit themselves competitively too.

816:25 - NEXT VAAL RACEMEETING THURSDAY 8 JAN-UARY FM 76 DIVIDED HANDICAP (F & M) (For Fillies and Mares) <i>Turf Straight</i>					Stake: R105,000 1000m				
1	SEASON'S GREETINGS	3Bf	C Binda	12	C Habib	60	1T11	4J12	6B12
2	MAVERICK QUEEN	4Bf	S G Tarry	10	#M Michel	60	1J12	3V12	1J12
3	CRYSTAL GROVE	3Bf	S G Tarry	1	C Zackey	59	4T11	5T14	4B12
4	FAR BEYOND	3Chf	T Zackey	14	P Mxoli	59	9T10	6J10	1J10
5	DEAL MAKER (GB)	*<4Bf	A P Peter	5	*S Valjalo	59	2V10	2B10	3B10
6	AMAZONIAN	3Bf	D N Stenger	13	*T Mayhew	58.5	4J10	8T11	1V10
7	CLAIRWOOD ROSE	3Bf	P F Matchett	11	#R A Venniker	58.5	5B10	8T11	4T10
8	TEMPRANILLO	3Grf	J J van Vuuren	2	G Lerena	58	2B10	3T11	1J10
9	WAITING ON CHARLIE	3Bf	C/T Dawson	3	C Murray	58	4J16	7B16	2J10
10	WINDSOR SILK	*3Grf	A P Peter	6	C Maujean	58	1T10	7B10	0B12
11	PLUMBAGO PARK	3Bf	B Webber	4	M V'Rensburg	57.5	2V10	2J12	1J10
12	PREDATRICE	%4Bf	S G Tarry	9	M K Katjedi	57	3J10	5B10	9T10
13	QUEEN'S PACT	3Bf	P F Matchett	7	M Yeni	56.5	3V10	7B10	7V10
14	BLINDFIRE	*3Chf	A P Peter	8	K Matsunyane	56	2B10	5V12	6J10

Same Trainer: (2 & 3 & 12); (5 & 10 & 14); (7 & 13).

FORECAST BETTING: 3-1 TEMPRANILLO; 5-1 MAVERICK QUEEN; 6-1 SEASON'S GREETINGS; 7-1 DEAL MAKER; 10-1 CRYSTAL GROVE, WAITING ON CHARLIE; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.
DOWN IN CLASS: QUEEN'S PACT. **HEADGEAR CHANGE:** BLINKERS ON: WINDSOR SILK.
TIPS: 8 TEMPRANILLO 2 MAVERICK QUEEN 1 SEASON'S GREETINGS 5 DEAL MAKER
PREVIEW: Well-related TEMPRANILLO was impressive when winning her maiden last time and could follow up with further progress expected. MAVERICK QUEEN is engaged to run at an earlier meeting but has won 2 of her last 3 starts, so she'll likely play a leading role if taking her place. On their 13 November clash, aptly named familiar foe SEASON'S GREETINGS will have a role to play on 2kg better terms. CRYSTAL COVE, DEAL MAKER, CLAIRWOOD ROSE and WAITING ON CHARLIE complete the shortlist.

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 including 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-Randjesfontein; S-Scotts-ville; P-Scottsville Inside; T-Turfontein Standside; J-Turfontein Inside; B-Vaal Classic; V-Vaal Turf; Z-Zimbabwe; X-Overseas.
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