

# \*\*\* TAB TOP 7 MEETING!

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## VAAL CLASSIC (SA) - 27 JANUARY 2026

**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 113-36 (31.86%)-52, C Zackey 102-24 (23.53%)-34, P Mxoli 111-12 (10.81%)-28, R Munger 47-11 (23.40%)-17 **TOP TRAINERS AT TRACK:** A P Peter 97-19 (19.59%)-33, S G Tarry 101-13 (12.87%)-35, M N Houdalakis 61-12 (19.67%)-20, P F Matchett 106-10 (9.43%)-22 **DRAW:** High-number draws favoured over 1000m; low-number draws best 1200m and 1450m. **APPRENTICES (ALLOWANCES):** K J Lihaba, B Marx-Jacobson (4.0), 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 2-7), Place Accumulator (RACES 3-9), Pick 6 (RACES 4-9), Jackpot (RACES 5-8; 6-9). 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)

RACE 1: 12:10 - 4RACING WELCOMES YOU MAIDEN PLATE (For all Maidens) Turf Right-Hand Turn									Stake: R120,000	1450m
No	Horse	Age,Colour,Sex; Wins,Places,Runs	Trainer	Draw	Jockey *App	Wgt	3rd Last Run	2nd Last Run	Last Run and Date	
1	UBERMENSCH	4Bg 0-3-9 11-1400m S: 0-1-1 Earn: R41,394	S G Tarry	+2	C Habib	60	2V12 (1.25)	0J12 (16.50)	4T11 (3.25)	16Dec25
		Yellow, fuchsia stripe, halved sleeves, yellow cap								
2	KAMBATI	4Chg 0-1-2 1000m S: 0-1-1 Earn: R11,400	C J Lensley	+9	P Mxoli	60		6V12 (8.15)	3T10 (6.00)	11Jan26
		Black and silver hoops								
3	POMPEII SHIELD	4Bc 0-2-2 12-1450m Earn: R17,100	P P Labuschagne	+12	D Schwarz	60		4V12 (6.55)	3B14 (5.50)	08Jan26
		Dayglo yellow and bright blue quartered, bright orange and black halved sleeves, bright orange								
4	MASTER SPY	3Bg 0-2-3 1600m Earn: R40,000	S G Tarry	+5	C Zackey	59	8T11 (3.60)	3T16 (7.35)	2P16 (1.30)	09Jul25
		Grey, dark blue epaulettes and sleeves, dark blue cap, grey stars								
5	GUNBOAT	3Bg 0-1-4 1160m S: 0-0-3 Earn: R11,400	M Khan	+11	R Danielson	59	8V14 (11.50)	0B14 (21.75)	3T11 (4.75)	27Dec25
		Red, white sleeves, black stars, white cap								
6	ROYALE JACKET*	3Bg 0-7-15 11-1600m S: 0-1-2 Earn: R122,862	W/W Marwing	+3	*K J Lihaba	59	2B15 (1.80)	2T16 (3.50)	7B14 (9.15)	08Jan26
		Grey and green halved diagonally, halved cap								
7	EPIDAURUS	3Bg 0-1-4 1400m S: 0-0-1 Earn: R4,988	M Khan	+1	J Gates	59	7J16 (14.30)	4T14 (7.20)	9J17 (17.25)	27Nov25
		Red, white sleeves, black stars, white cap								
8	SCOTT'S GUARD!	3Bg 0-0-6 0m S: 0-0-3 Earn: Nil	J Borman	+6	J R Syster	59	6V12 (4.50)	0V14 (19.50)	0B16 (10.50)	11Dec25
		Cerise, black hoop and sleeves, cerise armbands, black cap								
9	RUSSEL SQUARE*	3Bg 0-0-3 0m Earn: Nil	M Khan	+10	J Penny	59	0J12 (14.00)	6T11 (8.55)	6T11 (10.00)	03Jan26
		White, purple sleeves and cap								
10	FLOWER ROAD	3Chg 0-0-0 0m Earn: Nil	C I Jonker	7	*B Marx-Jacobson	59	<b>FIRST RUN</b>			
		White, sapphire epaulettes, collar, armbands and cuffs, quartered cap								
11	MASTER BUDDY	3Bg 0-0-2 0m Earn: Nil	A G Laird	+8	M Yeni	59		7T11 (9.35)	9T11 (8.25)	27Dec25
		Green, turquoise chevrons, sleeves and cap								
12	EMERALD FORGE*	3Bf 0-4-5 11-1450m S: 0-3-3 Earn: R63,025	M/M de Kock	+4	K de Melo	56	2T11 (0.70)	6V10 (13.00)	3J12 (5.50)	27Nov25
		White, black fleur de lys, red sleeves, black collar and cuffs, black and white striped cap								

Same Trainer: (1 & 4); (5 & 7 & 9).

**FORECAST BETTING:** 3-1 MASTER SPY; 7-2 EMERALD FORGE; 5-1 UBERMENSCH, POMPEII SHIELD; 8-1 KAMBATI; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

**HEADGEAR CHANGE:** BLINKERS ON: EMERALD FORGE. BLINKERS OFF: KAMBATI; EPIDAURUS.

**TIPS:** 3 POMPEII SHIELD 4 MASTER SPY 12 EMERALD FORGE 1 UBERMENSCH

**PREVIEW:** MASTER SPY improved with each start before a lengthy layoff. If anywhere near ready the Sean Tarry-trained gelding could open his account. But there are plenty with chances. EMERALD FORGE has run some decent races but has lacked resolve at the business end. A set of blinkers could do the trick for her. POMPEII SHIELD showed up well on his sprint debut and then ran a decent race over this distance last time. A wide draw is the only worry with him. UBERMENSCH, stablemate to MASTER SPY, has sprinted well but should prefer the distance. GUNBOAT is starting to improve.

RACE 2: 12:45 - RACING TODAY MAIDEN PLATE (F & M) (For Maiden Fillies and Mares) Turf Right-Hand Turn										Stake: R105,000	1450m
No	Horse	Age,Colour,Sex; Wins,Places,Runs	Trainer	Draw	Jockey *App	Wgt	3rd Last Run	2nd Last Run	Last Run and Date		
1	SWEETSUMMERLOVE\$	4Bf 0-2-10 1400m S: 0-0-3 Earn: R10,925 Cerise, gold rings, gold sleeves, cerise rings and cuffs, gold collar, cerise cap, gold ring	J Crawford	+13	R Danielson	60	0D16 (7.95)	0T11 (14.75)	4T14 (4.60)	30Dec25	
2	LADY LANCASTER	4Bf 0-0-4 0m Earn: Nil Orange, silver stars and sleeves, orange cap, silver stars	R R Magnier	+5	*B Marx-Jacobson	60	7J18 (19.55)	9B16 (5.60)	7B14 (4.60)	08Jan26	
3	BABETTE'S FEAST	3Bf 0-3-4 11-1600m S: 0-0-1 Earn: R21,731 Dark green, blue sleeves, white cap	M/M de Kock	+2	C Murray	59	3B16 (0.80)	5V14 (2.40)	4B16 (1.20)	23Dec25	
4	HOT COCOA*	3Bf 0-1-3 1100m S: 0-1-1 Earn: R14,850 White, sapphire epaulettes, collar, armbands and cuffs, quartered cap	A P Peter	+1	C Habib	59	3T11 (3.50)	5J12 (11.50)	9B16 (9.40)	31Jul25	
5	MARIA LA GORDA	3Chf 0-1-3 1200m S: 0-1-3 Earn: R6,769 White, royal blue epaulettes, white sleeves, royal blue cap	A G Laird	+6	P Mxoli	59	5V12 (8.80)	4V12 (2.90)	6T11 (6.60)	09Nov25	
6	TRULY MAGICAL	3Bf 0-1-5 1200m S: 0-0-3 Earn: R7,006 Red, black epaulettes and cap	J Crawford	+11	*S Valjalo	59	6T11 (7.15)	6T11 (10.00)	5T14 (5.50)	16Dec25	
7	STORM BALLET	3Bf 0-0-3 0m Earn: R2,494 Black, scarlet sash and cap	W C Marwing	+8	G Lerena	59	9T11 (10.35)	5V10 (5.90)	0T11 (14.70)	07Dec25	
8	CHARIKLO	3Grf 0-0-3 0m S: 0-0-2 Earn: R2,494 Kingfisher,white star and sleeves,kingfisher seams,collar andcuffs,kingfisher cap, white stars	D N Stenger	+3	M V'Rensburg	59	6V12 (5.10)	0T11 (11.30)	5B14 (7.35)	04Dec25	
9	ERIK'S GIRL	3Bf 0-0-11 0m S: 0-0-4 Earn: R4,394 Dayglo yellow and bright blue quartered, bright orange and black halved sleeves, bright orange	P P Labuschagne	+7	D Schwarz	59	9J15 (25.25)	0V14 (20.30)	8B14 (10.10)	08Jan26	
10	BABY RED	3Chf 0-1-2 1200m Earn: R19,950 Royal blue, white hoops, royal blue sleeves, white stars, royal blue cap, white stars	H van der Westhuizen	+12	J R Syster	59		9T11 (16.60)	2V12 (4.00)	20Dec25	
11	EPNAS LANCE	3Bf 0-0-1 0m Earn: Nil Red, blue maltese cross, white sleeves and cap	R Klaasen	+4	K Matsunyane	59			8B12 (18.35)	15Jan26	
12	MY QUEEN AMANAT	3Bf 0-0-2 0m Earn: Nil Red and light grey checked diamonds, red sleeves and cap	S G Tarry	+10	M K Katjedi	59		0V12 (10.65)	9T14 (10.05)	26Oct25	
13	POPPY DAY	3Chf 0-0-2 0m Earn: Nil Green, blue spot, hooped sleeves and cap	B Webber	+9	L Nhlapo	59		8B10 (13.15)	6T11 (21.00)	03Jan26	

Same Trainer: (1 &amp; 6).

FORECAST BETTING: 4-1 BABETTE'S FEAST; 6-1 MARIA LA GORDA, BABY RED; 8-1 STORM BALLET; 10-1 HOT COCOA; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

HEADGEAR CHANGE: BLINKERS ON: HOT COCOA.

TIPS: 5 MARIA LA GORDA 3 BABETTE'S FEAST 8 CHARIKLO 10 BABY RED

PREVIEW: Act Of War filly MARIA LA GORDA had things go wrong in her last start. She is looking for the trip and can make good improvement. BABETTE'S FEAST keeps on running honest races. She wasn't far off Copper Cliff who has come out to win again and having drawn well she could also frank the form. Well-bred CHARIKLO is still learning what it is all about. She hasn't shown too much but has room for improvement and has a decent draw. BABY RED showed a lot more in her second outing but has drawn wide. She is carded to run earlier and that run must be take into account.

RACE 3: 13:20 - GUINEAS DAY 7 FEBRUARY MAIDEN PLATE (F & M) (For Maiden Fillies and Mares) Turf Right-Hand Turn										Stake: R105,000	2000m
No	Horse	Age,Colour,Sex; Wins,Places,Runs	Trainer	Draw	Jockey *App	Wgt	3rd Last Run	2nd Last Run	Last Run and Date		
1	VIXENINTHEVINEYARD	4Bf 0-2-12 12-1600m S: 0-0-4 Earn: R12,588 Red, emerald hourglass, band, armbands, collar and cuffs, emerald cap,red hearts andpeak	A Ndzilana	+2	K Matsunyane	60	0D12 (6.85)	6T11 (11.20)	4B16 (3.20)	23Dec25	
2	ASIAH'S TIARA*	4Bf 0-11-17 14-2400m S: 0-1-1 Earn: R149,894 Dark blue, light blue braces and sleeves, red stars,collar and cuffs, dark blue cap, red star	C Mayhew	+9	*T Mayhew	60	2V20 (4.40)	2V20 (1.10)	3B24 (1.50)	18Dec25	
3	COOL REGGAE*	5Bm 0-1-6 1800m S: 0-0-1 Earn: R6,769 White, red chevrons, striped sleeves, white cap	C I Jonker	+5	*S Valjalo	60	8V17 (9.50)	5V16 (5.65)	4B18 (3.70)	08Jan26	
4	CODEWORD%	4Bf 0-4-16 16-1800m S: 0-0-2 Earn: R44,056 Yellow and light blue quartered, blue sleeves, yellow and light blue halved cap	S G Tarry	4	#M Michel	60	7B15 (7.00)	7B18 (7.35)	5N18 (10.00)	14Jan26	
5	WAR TALK%	3Bf 0-0-8 10-1800m S: 0-1-1 Earn: R55,456 Pink, purple stars, pink sleeves, purple seams, pink cap, purple stars	S G Tarry	+11	C Zackey	58	4J15 (5.40)	2J18 (1.00)	2B18 (0.20)	08Jan26	
6	CHICKASAW	3Bf 0-0-8 12-1800m S: 0-3-4 Earn: R48,688 Black, cerise pink zig zags, collar, cuffs and cap	F Bronkhorst	+6	R Munger	58	3J18 (2.80)	6B16 (2.90)	3B18 (1.60)	08Jan26	
7	LUCKY CHANCE	3Bf 0-0-4 0m Earn: R2,256 All royal blue	R R Sage	+13	M Yeni	58	6J12 (6.50)	5V17 (2.60)	7J16 (19.00)	30Oct25	
8	IN BETWEEN	3Grf 0-0-3 0m S: 0-0-1 Earn: R2,256 White, sapphire epaulettes, collar, armbands and cuffs, quartered cap	P F Matchett	+3	C Habib	58	5J10 (2.75)	0T11 (8.80)	6B16 (5.50)	23Dec25	
9	COME TOGETHER	3Bf 0-2-5 14-1800m S: 0-1-2 Earn: R17,812 Royal blue, white epaulettes, striped sleeves and cap	M Khan	+12	*K J Lihaba	58	5T14 (7.10)	4J18 (6.30)	3B14 (1.30)	08Jan26	
10	HAT AND HEELS	3Chf 0-2-3 14-1600m S: 0-0-1 Earn: R16,388 Black and white halved vertically, checked sleeves, red cap	A P Peter	+10	G Lerena	58	8T11 (10.70)	4T14 (4.90)	3T16 (4.80)	01Jan26	
11	RED ENCHANTRESS	3Bf 0-1-6 1500m S: 0-0-1 Earn: R5,225 Maroon, yellow chevrons, collar and cuffs, maroon cap	P P Labuschagne	+14	D Schwarz	58	7B16 (3.20)	4B15 (4.20)	6B18 (5.75)	08Jan26	
12	SHADOWLINE	3Bf 0-0-3 0m Earn: R4,988 Red, black epaulettes and cap	S T Pettigrew	+7	*B Marx-Jacobson	58	5J16 (6.30)	5V17 (5.65)	7B16 (7.60)	23Dec25	
13	COMIC ARTIST	3Bf 0-3-7 12-1500m S: 0-1-1 Earn: R16,031 Red, black epaulettes and cap	F P Habib	+8	S Moodley	58	4J12 (8.25)	4B15 (3.00)	5B18 (5.00)	08Jan26	
14	SILENT FUTURE	3Bf 0-1-7 2400m S: 0-0-1 Earn: R10,450 White, sapphire epaulettes, collar, armbands and cuffs, quartered cap	C I Jonker	+1	M V'Rensburg	58	7V20 (25.00)	8J18 (21.00)	4B24 (8.75)	18Dec25	

Same Trainer: (3 &amp; 14); (4 &amp; 5).

FORECAST BETTING: 4-1 WAR TALK; 6-1 ASIAH'S TIARA, CHICKASAW; 7-1 HAT AND HEELS; 10-1 COOL REGGAE, COME TOGETHER; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

HEADGEAR CHANGE: BLINKERS OFF: SHADOWLINE.

TIPS: 10 HAT AND HEELS 5 WAR TALK 6 CHICKASAW 2 ASIAH'S TIARA

PREVIEW: HATS AND HEELS has been making steady improvement. She should be looking for the extra but she is carded to run on 22 January and that run must be taken into account. WAR TALK is knocking hard at the door. If able to overcome her wide gate, she could open her account after being beaten a neck in her last start. CHICKASAW finished behind WAR TALK previously. She is holding form and could show more over the longer distance. ASIAH'S TIARA has had many chances but continues to run decent races and could finally win. More can improve to win over the extra.

**RACE 4: 13:55 - CLASSIC DAY 7 MARCH MIDDLE STAKES** (For All Horses) **Turf Right-Hand Turn**

Stake: R160,000 2000m

No	Horse	Age,Colour,Sex; Wins,Places,Runs	Trainer	Draw	Jockey *App	Wgt	3rd Last Run	2nd Last Run	Last Run and Date
1	ROYAL EDITION	5Bg 4-13-38 12-2000m S: 1-2-8 Earn: R524,606	P P Labuschagne	+6	G Lerena	60	5V20 (5.15)	1B20 (0.30)	6V15 (2.85) 20Dec25
2	MISTER SPEAKER	4Bg 2-3-18 12-2400m S: 0-0-4 Earn: R145,600	J S Roux	+2	D Schwarz	60	8B15 (21.50)	9V15 (21.75)	7T20 (6.50) 11Jan26
3	BATTLEGROUND	6Bg 5-15-36 16-3200m S: 0-2-5 Earn: R594,762	M N Houdalakis	+1	C Zackey	58	3V20 (1.45)	5B18 (3.55)	0B20 (6.60) 15Jan26
4	DANCE KING	4Bg 3-8-17 10-2000m S: 1-2-4 Earn: R320,838	W C Marwing	+4	S Moodley	58	1V20 (1.25)	2B20 (0.30)	4T20 (3.60) 11Jan26
5	VESUVIO%	6Bg 8-16-51 12-2600m S: 1-1-9 Earn: R694,044	T Zackey	+8	R Munger	58	8V20 (7.30)	2B18 (1.25)	5T18 (4.40) 03Jan26
6	TEXAS MISSILE	3Chc 2-1-4 18-2000m S: 1-0-1 Earn: R156,038	A G Laird	+3	C Habib	56	2J18 (2.30)	1V20 (4.40)	1T20 (1.00) 30Dec25
7	FLASHY APACHE*	7Bg 4-22-50 14-2000m S: 3-4-13 Earn: R655,338	T Zackey	+7	P Mxoli	54	8B18 (4.65)	4T20 (2.55)	3B20 (0.30) 15Jan26
8	ONE MORE STAR	4Chc 2-4-12 12-2000m S: 1-1-4 Earn: R197,281	A G Laird	+5	C Murray	54	7J14 (6.90)	1B20 (0.80)	4B20 (0.70) 15Jan26

Same Trainer: (5 &amp; 7); (6 &amp; 8).

**FORECAST BETTING:** 3-1 TEXAS MISSILE, ONE MORE STAR; 9-2 ROYAL EDITION; 5-1 FLASHY APACHE; 6-1 DANCE KING; 10-1 VESUVIO; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.**DOWN IN CLASS:** ROYAL EDITION, MISTER SPEAKER, DANCE KING.**TIPS:** 8 ONE MORE STAR 6 TEXAS MISSILE 7 FLASHY APACHE 1 ROYAL EDITION**PREVIEW:** Trainer Alex Laird holds a strong hand with three-year-olds ONE MORE STAR and TEXAS MISSILE. The former was beaten in a close finish after coming from way back last time. The race was run in record time and he looks a serious contender. TEXAS MISSILE has won two in a row over the distance. The lightly raced sort did what was required to win last time and while this is tougher, he has more to come. FLASHY APACHE has been beaten by both ONE MORE STAR and TEXAS MISSILE but should be right there at the revised weight terms. Specialist ROYAL EDITION must have a say.**RACE 5: 14:30 - SA DERBY 4 APRIL FM 93 DIVIDED HANDICAP (F & M)** (For Fillies and Mares) **Turf Straight**

Stake: R135,000 1000m

No	Horse	Age,Colour,Sex; Wins,Places,Runs	Trainer	Draw	Jockey *App	Wgt	3rd Last Run	2nd Last Run	Last Run and Date
1	MISS LIA	4Chf 2-4-9 11-1450m S: 0-1-1 Earn: R209,188	P F Matchett	+2	*K J Lihaba	61	0T16 (12.90)	6B14 (9.25)	6V12 (2.40) 09Oct25
2	POBLANO	4Bf 1-5-12 10-1400m S: 0-1-3 Earn: R194,856	R R Sage	+5	M Yeni	60.5	7T11 (24.50)	5B12 (1.85)	2T11 (0.25) 03Jan26
3	ROAMING SPIRIT*	4Bf 3-9-15 10-1400m S: 1-2-5 Earn: R334,050	M/M de Kock	+3	C Murray	58	5T10 (5.65)	4B12 (1.45)	4B10 (1.40) 23Dec25
4	BOSUM BUDDY	4Bf 2-10-18 10-1450m S: 1-1-2 Earn: R289,156	P F Matchett	+1	P Mxoli	56.5	3V12 (3.65)	8V12 (4.50)	1B10 (0.40) 23Dec25
5	LET'S GO LOLA	3Chf 1-4-8 11-1400m S: 1-1-4 Earn: R134,688	P F Matchett	+6	K Matsunyane	55.5	3T11 (2.20)	8T11 (6.05)	9B14 (8.75) 23Dec25
6	CAROLINE ISLAND	3Bf 1-3-4 8-1000m Earn: R152,188	A P Peter	+4	S Moodley	54	1T08 (1.30)	3T10 (4.00)	4V10 (3.15) 17Jan26

Same Trainer: (1 &amp; 4 &amp; 5).

**FORECAST BETTING:** 5-2 POBLANO; 3-1 BOSUM BUDDY, CAROLINE ISLAND; 4-1 ROAMING SPIRIT; 8-1 LET'S GO LOLA; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.**DOWN IN CLASS:** POBLANO.**TIPS:** 6 CAROLINE ISLAND 4 BOSUM BUDDY 3 ROAMING SPIRIT 2 POBLANO**PREVIEW:** BOSUM BUDDY loved racing fresh last time, winning in good style. She is at her best at this venue and must have a fair chance of following up. ROAMING SPIRIT doesn't know how to run a bad race. She must rate a big danger as she was only 1.40 lengths behind BOSUM BUDDY and is now 1.5kg better off. But the one to watch out for could be CAROLINE ISLAND who came back from almost a year's rest to finish a decent fourth in what was a competitive affair. She should come on nicely with the run. Another talented sort, POBLANO, is long overdue to score.**RACE 6: 15:05 - TAB 4RACING APP FM 77 DIVIDED HANDICAP (F & M)** (For Fillies and Mares) **Turf Straight**

Stake: R105,000 1000m

No	Horse	Age,Colour,Sex; Wins,Places,Runs	Trainer	Draw	Jockey *App	Wgt	3rd Last Run	2nd Last Run	Last Run and Date
1	DEAL MAKER (GB) < 4Bf 3-7-16	1000m S: 0-2-4 Earn: R105,094	A P Peter	+4	C Zackey	60	3B10 (4.95)	1B10 (0.50)	7T10 (3.00) 11Jan26
2	EXECUTRIX% < 4Bf 1-2-5	10-1200m Earn: R73,625	S G Tarry	+7	M K Katjedi	60	1B10 (2.75)	4V12 (3.75)	9V10 (7.75) 28Nov24
3	THERE SHE GOES!	7Bm 8-21-59 10-1400m S: 4-8-20 Earn: R635,425	W/W Marwing	+5	#M Michel	60	4J10 (1.85)	1V10 (1.80)	1T10 (1.30) 11Jan26
4	AMAZONIAN	3Bf 1-2-5 1000m S: 0-0-1 Earn: R71,844	D N Stenger	+2	M V'Rensburg	58.5	4J10 (2.50)	8T11 (7.90)	1V10 (1.80) 23Nov25
5	GASLIGHT DANCER	3Bf 1-2-6 10-1160m S: 0-0-2 Earn: R78,850	F Bronkhorst	+6	M Yeni	58	5T11 (5.85)	0T11 (14.45)	1B10 (2.20) 18Dec25
6	PLUMBAGO PARK	3Bf 1-4-8 10-1200m S: 1-0-2 Earn: R125,162	B Webber	+1	J R Syster	58	2J12 (2.80)	1J10 (2.75)	2B10 (0.50) 23Dec25
7	TEMPRANILLO	3Grf 1-2-4 10-1160m S: 1-1-2 Earn: R100,700	J J van Vuuren	+3	K de Melo	58	3T11 (1.65)	1J10 (5.75)	6B10 (2.70) 23Dec25
8	QUEEN'S PACT	3Bf 1-3-9 1000m S: 0-1-1 Earn: R101,369	P F Matchett	+8	P Mxoli	55	7B10 (7.50)	7V10 (8.80)	0B10 (5.10) 23Dec25

Same Trainer: None.

**FORECAST BETTING:** 3-1 THERE SHE GOES; 4-1 DEAL MAKER, PLUMBAGO PARK; 9-2 TEMPRANILLO; 8-1 GASLIGHT DANCER; 10-1 AMAZONIAN; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.**DOWN IN CLASS:** EXECUTRIX.**TIPS:** 3 THERE SHE GOES 6 PLUMBAGO PARK 7 TEMPRANILLO 1 DEAL MAKER**PREVIEW:** THERE SHE GOES came from the clouds to win as she liked under Andrew Fortune. She is on a roll and bidding to make it three wins on the bounce for her in-form yard. PLUMBAGO PARK is another in with a big chance. She was beaten 0.50 lengths by DEAL MAKER in her last start and should be able to turn the form around with a now 4.5kg better off. TEMPRANILLO was beaten as favourite in that race but looks a lot better than that and must be given another chance. DEAL MAKER is better than her last run and has the leading rider up. More can earn.

**RACE 7: 15:40 - FOR HOSPITALITY BOOKINGS CALL 011 681 1796 MR 66 HANDICAP** (Open) Turf Straight

Stake: R90,000 1000m

No	Horse	Age,Colour,Sex; Wins,Places,Runs	Trainer	Draw	Jockey *=App	Wgt	3rd Last Run	2nd Last Run	Last Run and Date
1	MISTY METAL*	4Chf 3-4-16 10-1200m S: 1-1-4 Earn: R187,412	A P Peter	+3	*S Valjalo	63	1J12 (0.30)	0T10 (8.05)	5V12 (2.00) 17Jan26
2	BLINDFIRE*	3Chf 1-5-14 10-1200m S: 0-0-3 Earn: R130,881	A P Peter	+5	C Zackey	61.5	6J10 (3.80)	3B10 (0.90)	0T10 (4.75) 11Jan26
3	IN THE ETHER*	7Bm 8-32-70 10-1450m S: 1-4-10 Earn: R785,325	G J Maroun	+7	P Mxoli	60	7T10 (8.00)	9V10 (5.90)	0T10 (6.95) 11Jan26
4	NKANDLA GOLD%	5Chm 3-8-43 1000m S: 1-1-6 Earn: R278,550	B Webber	+2	R Danielson	59.5	0T10 (11.50)	5V10 (2.65)	0T10 (6.55) 11Jan26
5	RED HOT KISSES*	3Bf 1-1-10 1000m S: 0-0-3 Earn: R66,381	F Bronkhorst	+9	J Gates	58.5	9T11 (9.40)	9J10 (7.30)	0V10 (10.00) 20Dec25
6	TIME FOR CHARITY*	6Bm 4-12-43 10-1200m S: 2-4-12 Earn: R356,681	F Bronkhorst	+8	M Yeni	58.5	2J12 (0.30)	6V10 (3.35)	4V12 (0.80) 17Jan26
7	JET CAT*	10Chg 4-27-69 10-1400m S: 0-4-11 Earn: R456,525	H van der Westhuizen	+4	J R Syster	55.5	4V12 (4.55)	8J12 (5.50)	7V10 (4.65) 20Dec25
8	SUMMER SHADE*	5Bg 1-6-36 10-1500m S: 0-0-5 Earn: R137,562	B Webber	+6	L Nhlapo	54.5	5T10 (5.75)	8T14 (15.10)	0V12 (8.90) 17Jan26
9	ORIENTAL BOUQUET*	5Chm 2-6-30 10-1400m S: 0-2-9 Earn: R281,656	G J Maroun	+1	*K J Lihaba	54	1V10 (0.05)	2V10 (1.80)	0T10 (5.75) 11Jan26

Same Trainer: (1 &amp; 2); (3 &amp; 9); (4 &amp; 8); (5 &amp; 6).

**FORECAST BETTING:** 7-2 TIME FOR CHARITY; 4-1 BLINDFIRE, ORIENTAL BOUQUET; 5-1 MISTY METAL; 8-1 NKANDLA GOLD; 10-1 JET CAT; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.**DOWN IN CLASS:** MISTY METAL, BLINDFIRE, IN THE ETHER, NKANDLA GOLD, TIME FOR CHARITY, SUMMER SHADE, ORIENTAL BOUQUET.**TIPS:** 2 BLINDFIRE 6 TIME FOR CHARITY 9 ORIENTAL BOUQUET 7 JET CAT**PREVIEW:** Probably the toughest race on the card and it may pay to go wide in exotic bets. BLINDFIRE is better than his last run and back at the track where he has produced his best form should give a good account of himself. TIME FOR CHARITY also has good form at this venue. She was beaten 0.80 lengths over 1200m last time and back over her best distance should have every chance. ORIENTAL BOUQUET's last run in yielding going is best ignored. She ran some fair races prior and must be taken seriously. JET CAT and NKANDLA GOLD are both capable of upsetting the principals.**RACE 8: 16:15 - #YOUCANBETONUS! MR 66 HANDICAP** (Open) Turf Right-Hand Turn

Stake: R90,000 1600m

No	Horse	Age,Colour,Sex; Wins,Places,Runs	Trainer	Draw	Jockey *=App	Wgt	3rd Last Run	2nd Last Run	Last Run and Date
1	DONDYAKI*	3Grf 1-5-12 10-1450m S: 1-0-3 Earn: R142,769	F Bronkhorst	+3	*B Marx-Jacobson	61	7V10 (13.75)	1V14 (0.80)	2B14 (1.30) 23Dec25
2	FALCONFLY	5Bm 1-1-5 14-1600m Earn: R69,112	M N Houdalakis	+6	C Zackey	59.5	5J18 (11.25)	4B16 (1.30)	<u>1B14</u> (0.30) 08Jan26
3	SHEETS AND GOGGLES	4Bf 3-3-24 10-1600m S: 0-0-6 Earn: R235,884	F Bronkhorst	+2	S Moodley	59.5	9V16 (13.50)	6B16 (6.20)	5B16 (2.75) 15Jan26
4	SAIL THE SKY	5Bg 5-10-41 12-1600m S: 1-2-6 Earn: R401,550	C I Jonker	+1	M V Rensburg	59	0V12 (11.70)	8V14 (20.60)	0B12 (14.35) 08Jan26
5	GIFT OF ROYAL	4Bg 1-7-24 15-2000m S: 0-2-2 Earn: R152,712	B Webber	+5	J R Syster	58	8B16 (9.10)	7B18 (7.60)	1B16 (0.80) 15Jan26
6	ITSNOWORNEVER	5Bg 1-3-11 15-2400m S: 0-1-3 Earn: R87,281	J Borman	+10	M K Katjedi	58	4T16 (5.50)	9V24 (32.70)	7B16 (6.80) 15Jan26
7	LIBECCIO*	6Chg 3-14-46 14-2000m S: 1-3-7 Earn: R366,069	T Zackey	+7	P Mxoli	57	9B14 (11.70)	6V14 (10.50)	5B16 (5.95) 11Sep25
8	BLURRED VISION*	4Bg 1-4-28 14-2000m S: 0-1-4 Earn: R115,912	S J Gray	+9	R Munger	56.5	0V17 (11.75)	7V14 (4.25)	0V12 (9.90) 17Jan26
9	COMMANDER OF ALL%	5Bg 2-13-33 10-1800m S: 1-0-2 Earn: R202,431	B Webber	+8	J Gates	56	4B18 (8.50)	6T16 (9.65)	4V14 (1.80) 17Jan26
10	BOLD ACTION	3Bf 1-3-13 14-1800m S: 0-1-4 Earn: R104,875	F Bronkhorst	+4	K Matsunyane	54	8B16 (6.90)	6T18 (7.90)	6V14 (3.40) 17Jan26

Same Trainer: (1 &amp; 3 &amp; 10); (5 &amp; 9).

**FORECAST BETTING:** 7-2 DONDYAKI, FALCONFLY; 5-1 SHEETS AND GOGGLES; 7-1 COMMANDER OF ALL; 8-1 GIFT OF ROYAL; 10-1 LIBECCIO; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.**DOWN IN CLASS:** DONDYAKI, SHEETS AND GOGGLES, SAIL THE SKY, ITSNOWORNEVER, LIBECCIO, BLURRED VISION. **HEADGEAR CHANGE:** BLINKERS ON: ITSNOWORNEVER. BLINKERS OFF: BOLD ACTION. PACIFIERS OFF: ITSNOWORNEVER.**TIPS:** 1 DONDYAKI 2 FALCONFLY 3 SHEETS AND GOGGLES 5 GIFT OF ROYAL**PREVIEW:** DONDYAKI followed up her maiden win with a solid second place finish against much stronger. She is dropping in class and has a 4kg apprentice claim to boost her chances of seeing out the extra. FALCONFLY weaved her way to win with something in hand after a rest. It was the five-year-old mare's fifth start and she could be up to the task in this lower division handicap. SHEETS AND GOGGLES has won twice over the distance so has no stamina doubts. She looks capable of better than what she showed recently. Last start winner GIFT OF ROYAL and COMMANDER OF ALL have claims too.

RACE 9: 16:50 - NEXT VAAL RACEMEETING 29 JANUARY MR 84 HANDICAP (Open) Turf Right-Hand Turn								Stake: R125,000 1450m	
No	Horse	Age,Colour,Sex; Wins,Places,Runs	Trainer	Draw	Jockey *App	Wgt	3rd Last Run	2nd Last Run	Last Run and Date
1	SALUTE THE FLAG*	5Bg 2-4-18 12-1600m S: 0-0-2 Earnings: R222,300 Blue and white chevrons, red sleeves, white cap	C/T Dawson	+8	S Moodley	60	7B16 (5.75)	9T16 (10.20)	2T14 (0.10) 30Dec25
2	FATHER CHRISTMAS	4Bg 2-2-8 14-1600m S: 0-0-3 Earnings: R132,288 Dayglo yellow, black chevron, dayglo pink sleeves, dayglo pink and dayglo yellow striped cap	A P Peter	+4	G Lerena	57.5	3B14 (0.90)	3V16 (2.30)	1B15 (0.90) 23Dec25
3	WE ARE THE LOGANS*	5CChg 2-11-28 12-1700m S: 0-1-4 Earnings: R282,375 Green, bright pink stars, black sleeves, black cap, bright pink stars	B Webber	+5	J Gates	57.5	0J18 (12.85)	0V15 (10.90)	9V17 (6.40) 17Jan26
4	REDLIGHTGREENLIGHT*	3Bg 1-3-5 14-1600m S: 0-0-1 Earnings: R103,694 Dark green, maroon y with white binding, white, d green and maroon hooped slvs, d green and white str	A P Peter	+6	C Habib	57	3B16 (2.00)	1V16 (0.80)	6V18 (5.20) 11Nov25
5	FOSTINOVO*	6Bg 3-15-32 11-1600m S: 0-1-2 Earnings: R381,250 White, black fleur de lys, red sleeves, black collar and cuffs, black and white striped cap	J J van Vuuren	+10	K de Melo	56.5	2J14 (1.30)	2T14 (0.20)	1T14 (0.40) 03Jan26
6	KING OF NUMBERS	5Bg 3-9-27 11-1600m S: 1-2-3 Earnings: R309,162 White, orange epaulettes, striped sleeves and cap	B Webber	+9	J R Syster	56.5	0V15 (16.75)	9T14 (14.50)	8B12 (12.00) 15Jan26
7	LAUGHING WILLIAM*	6Bg 4-11-35 14-1600m S: 1-2-5 Earnings: R355,025 Red, orange epaulettes, green sleeves, orange cuffs, green collar, green and orange quartered cap	C/T Dawson	+2	D Schwarz	55.5	1B14 (0.25)	0J14 (21.00)	3T14 (1.50) 16Dec25
8	CONTINENTAL KING	3Bg 1-1-3 1160m Earnings: R82,650 Kingfisher, white star and sleeves, kingfisher seams, collar and cuffs, kingfisher cap, white stars	D N Stenger	+7	M V'Rensburg	55	6J12 (4.10)	3T11 (5.85)	1T11 (3.75) 27Dec25
9	FIFTY WAYS	3Bg 1-0-4 1000m S: 0-0-1 Earnings: R64,600 Red, black epaulettes and cap	S T Pettigrew	+3	P Mxoli	55	1T10 (3.25)	5J12 (7.30)	7V10 (6.25) 28Oct25
10	QUICKFREEZE§	3Bc 1-1-2 1200m Earnings: R94,050 Orange, black stars, orange sleeves, black seams, orange cap, black stars and peak	M N Houdalakis	+1	C Zackey	54.5		2V12 (5.75)	1B12 (4.25) 15Jan26

Same Trainer: (1 & 7); (2 & 4); (3 & 6).

**FORECAST BETTING:** 4-1 FATHER CHRISTMAS; 5-1 CONTINENTAL KING; 6-1 FOSTINOVO, LAUGHING WILLIAM, QUICKFREEZE; 7-1 REDLIGHTGREENLIGHT; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

**DOWN IN CLASS:** WE ARE THE LOGANS, KING OF NUMBERS, FIFTY WAYS. **HEADGEAR CHANGE:** BLINKERS ON: REDLIGHTGREENLIGHT.

**TIPS:** 10 QUICKFREEZE 2 FATHER CHRISTMAS 7 LAUGHING WILLIAM 4 REDLIGHTGREENLIGHT

**PREVIEW:** Quarari colt QUICKFREEZE ran out a comfortable winner of his second start. He is bred for the extra and should have every chance of following up with the leading rider from gate No 1. FATHER CHRISTMAS also has one of the best jockeys up. He won his last start with something in hand and could take it to the wire. LAUGHING WILLIAM ran a fair race after rest and rates a serious threat from a plum stall. Rested REDLIGHTGREENLIGHT, FOSTINOVO (wide draw) and easy last start winner CONTINENTAL KING need to be respected.

**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-Randjesfontein; S-Scottsville; P-Scottsville Inside; T-Turffontein Standside; J-Turffontein Inside; B-Vaal Classic; V-Vaal Turf; Z-Zimbabwe; X-Overseas.

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