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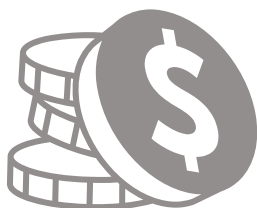
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R1 VAAL 1600m
11:35 | (GMT10:35) | ZARR105,000 | MPLATE
4RACING WELCOMES YOU MAIDEN PLATE
FLAT **TURF** Participants #12

FRERE JACQUES (4) showed signs of needing his comeback run over 1400m on this course. He gets the cheekpieces and tongue-tie fitted. He will strip a much fitter horse and may be the one to side with. BEACH WALKER (6) showed good improvement over 1400m at the Vaal last time. He challenged strongly but found one too good on the day. If confirming his recent improvement, he should be involved at the finish. OLYMPIAN GOLD (11) showed massive improvement when second over this course and distance. He was running on well at the finish that day. He is a progressive type and should have a say in the outcome of this contest. TRIP TO PEACE (7) may have found the 1160m too short last time. He ran a decent race in his penultimate outing over 1400m. He has scope and cannot be discounted.

1 AFTERBURN BP: 10 60.0kg
x63x6 Jockey: K MATSUNYANE
Trainer: C I JONKER
Owner: Mr & Mrs C Jonker
Career: 5 : 0-0-1 (61 days)

Has had one run back from a break and was well held in sixth over 1500m at Turffontein Inside two months ago. No easier this time and not likely to threaten.

2 PARABELLUM BP: 8 60.0kg
7x375 Jockey: P MXOLI
Trainer: P MATCHETT
Owner: Messrs M J Kapnias & A M
Career: 7 : 0-0-1 (26 days)

Has been out of the money of late including last time out when fifth over 1200m at this track three-and-a-half weeks ago, beaten 7 lengths. Likely to find this out of reach.

3 COPPER PLATE BP: 6 60.0kg
6x96x Jockey: S VALJALO
Trainer: JAMES CRAWFORD
Owner: Mark Bass, A J Brand, H D
Career: 7 : 0-0-0 (86 days)

Has not raced since finishing 8 lengths away in sixth over 1950m at Kenilworth on June 1. Unlikely to threaten.

4 FRERE JACQUES BP: 9 60.0kg
2x4 Jockey: C ZACKAY
Trainer: L HOUDALAKIS
Owner: Mr & Mrs T D Andrews & Mr
Career: 2 : 0-1-0 (19 days)

Resumed at this track over 1400m last time out and finished fourth, beaten 3.5 lengths. Rates highly and looks a strong winning hope.

5 LORD KELVIN BP: 1 60.0kg
7 Jockey: LOUIS NHLAPO ★
Trainer: A P PETER ★
Owner: Adv A P Joubert
Career: 1 : 0-0-0 (40 days)

Finished 27 lengths back in seventh on debut over 1450m at Turffontein Inside last start. Looking to others.

6 BEACH WALKER BP: 7 57.0kg
97x2 Jockey: C MURRAY
Trainer: F ROUX
Owner: Messrs P J Louwrens & S J
Career: 3 : 0-1-0 (19 days)

Encouraging first-up run when runner-up at this track over 1400m on August 7. Sure to run well.

7 TRIP TO PEACE BP: 3 57.0kg
746 Jockey: C HABIB
Trainer: C LENSLEY ★
Owner: Messrs P J Victor, P J Va
Career: 3 : 0-0-0 (17 days)

Not disgraced when fourth two starts back but finished well off the pace last start over 1160m at Turffontein Standside when sixth, beaten 7 lengths. Is capable on his day and is not out of it.

8 TALK OF THE HEIGHTS BP: 4 57.0kg
0599 Jockey: J R SYSTER
Trainer: F BRONKHORST
Owner: Messrs F Bronkhorst, M S
Career: 4 : 0-0-0 (19 days)

Has not been racing well lately, the latest effort a ninth and beaten 17 lengths over 1400m at this track. Needs to do a lot more.

9 DOWN TOWN CODY BP: 12 57.0kg
67 Jockey: S'MANGA KHUMALO ★
Trainer: A LAIRD
Owner: Mr G A Triggol
Career: 2 : 0-0-0 (47 days)

Has been out of the placings in two runs to date, the latest when safely held in seventh over 1000m at Turffontein Inside. First try this longer trip. Improver who can do much better.

10 KING OF SILK BP: 5 57.0kg
Jockey: TRENT MAYHEW
Trainer: C SPIES
Owner: Messrs D G Bailie, R P Ma
Career: First Start

Three-year-old gelding who was purchased for ZAR R 200,000 (Bloodstock South Africa 2024 August Two Year Old Sale). Watch the market.

11 OLYMPIAN GOLD BP: 11 57.0kg
52 Jockey: S MOODLEY
Trainer: S GRAY
Owner: Mr St John D Gray
Career: 2 : 0-1-0 (9 days)

Game effort last start when he finished a close second at Turffontein Inside over 1600m. Will take plenty of beating.

12 ROCK MY BOAT BP: 2 57.0kg
7 Jockey: M K KATJEDI
Trainer: F P HABIB
Owner: Tkp Racing (Nom: Trevelen
Career: 1 : 0-0-0 (17 days)

Did little on debut when beaten 13 lengths into seventh over 1160m at Turffontein Standside. Doubt he will trouble these.

Pace of the Race			
BackMaker	Mid	Pace	Leader
5	8	1, 3, 4, 7, 9, 11	2, 6, 10, 12

Race Selections						
	\$L12	Win SR	Dist W%	Trk W%	Trn Rat	Jock Rat
1st	4				5	4
2nd	11	-	-	-	2	9
3rd	6				4	11

Favorite: OLYMPIAN GOLD
Possible alternative: FRERE JACQUES
The cover: BEACH WALKER

R2 VAAL 1200m
12:10 | (GMT11:10) | ZARR80,000 | HCP
#YOU CAN BET ON US! MAIDEN HANDICAP
FLAT **TURF** Participants #7

CARNARVON (1) has decent recent form lines to his credit. He stayed on well when fourth over this distance on the Greyville polytrack last time. He meets the right field and he should find himself in the winner's enclosure. CAPTAIN FRANK (2) is better than his last start run would suggest as he was reported to be not striding out. His penultimate outing when fourth on this course was fair. He has scope and can show good improvement in this line-up. KING BLUETOOTH (4) drops to 1200m and can show improvement to figure in the finish. NEW LIFE (3) has moderate form lines to his name. He finished fourth of eight here at long odds last start and it must be noted that the winner of that race has come out and won twice since. He may have improvement to come and can place.

1 CARNARVON BP: 4 60.0kg
25334 Jockey: C ZACKAY
Trainer: P MATCHETT
Owner: Mr J J Matthee, Mr Ruan &
Career: 7 : 0-1-2 (25 days)

Beaten 1.75 lengths into third at Turffontein Standside two starts ago then appeared at Greyville All Weather last time and finished 3.5 lengths from the winner in fourth. Terrific chance to return to form.

2 CAPTAIN FRANK BP: 1 58.5kg
846 Jockey: C MURRAY
Trainer: M & M DE KOCK ★
Owner: Mr P M Murugasa
Career: 3 : 0-0-0 (26 days)

Maiden galloper in first campaign. Made it three unplaced runs from as many starts when sixth over 1200m at this track three-and-a-half weeks ago. Best form stacks up nicely so worth another chance.

3 NEW LIFE BP: 2 55.5kg
47854 Jockey: C HABIB
Trainer: P MATCHETT
Owner: Messrs S C Standeven, M
Career: 6 : 0-0-0 (54 days)

Unplaced at all six runs to date, the latest when beaten 11 lengths over 1400m at this track. Finds a suitable race and is worth including.

4 KING BLUETOOTH

BP: 7
54.0kg



79665 Jockey: P MXOLI
Trainer: C I JONKER
Owner: Mr & Mrs C Jonker
Career: 9 : 0-0-0 (12 days)

Maiden galloper in first campaign. Has been out of the money recently including last start when fifth over 1500m at this track a week-and-a-half ago, beaten 6 lengths. Major player.

5 UNDERDOG

BP: 3
53.0kg



057 Jockey: K J LIHABA
Trainer: A P PETER ★
Owner: Swiss Guard Racing Syndic
Career: 3 : 0-0-0 (26 days)

Four-year-old gelding who punters have shunned in recent times, and he's been running accordingly. Can't see him breaking through for the maiden win this time.

6 STORM BURST

BP: 5
52.0kg



078 Jockey: M K KATJEDI
Trainer: P P LABUSCHAGNE
Owner: Mr E Blome
Career: 3 : 0-0-0 (51 days)

Has done nothing in three runs to date, the latest when beaten 13 lengths into eighth over 1400m at Turffontein Standside. Impossible to recommend.

7 SASSY LASSIE

BP: 6
52.0kg



60790 Jockey: J PENNY
Trainer: C SPIES
Owner: Messrs D G Baillie & X Spi
Career: 6 : 0-0-0 (12 days)

Three-year-old filly who punters have shunned in recent times, and she's been running accordingly. Can't see her breaking through for the maiden win this time.

Pace of the Race

BackMaker	Mid	Pace	Leader
	3, 6	4, 5	1, 2, 7

Race Selections

	\$L12	Win SR	Dist W%	Trk W%	Trn Rat	Jock Rat	Wet W%
1st	1	-	-	-	5	1	-
2nd	2	-	-	-	1	2	-
3rd	3	-	-	-	3	7	-

Favorite: CARNARVON

Possible alternative: CAPTAIN FRANK

The cover: NEW LIFE

R3 VAAL

1200m

12:45 | (GMT11:45) | ZAR R80,000 | FM HCP

RACING TODAY MAIDEN HANDICAP

FLAT **TURF**

Participants #8

EMPRESS WU (1) is still a maiden after 15 starts but she has consistent form lines to her credit. She has finished second once and third three times from six starts over this distance. She meets the right field and she may be the one to beat. CONCORDIA (3) has fair recent form lines to her name. Should be fighting out the finish. SMART STAR (6) ran a fair race when fifth of nine over 1000m on this course last time when sent out at long odds. She steps up to 1200m and if seeing out the extra distance on offer can finish in the placings. CYBER SPIRIT (2) finished sixth of nine last start at this track. Is up in distance and can return to form.

1 EMPRESS WU

BP: 1
60.0kg



22337 Jockey: S'MANGA KHUMALO ★
Trainer: F ROUX
Owner: Messrs P J Louwrens & Tra
Career: 16 : 0-4-3 (3 days)

Going well at the moment, most recently finishing third over 1200m at this track. Deserves a win and gets her chance.

2 CYBER SPIRIT

BP: 6
58.0kg



58256 Jockey: J PENNY
Trainer: J VISSER
Owner: Mr H G & Mrs N S C Breyde
Career: 17 : 0-2-2 (19 days)

Has been out of the money in recent runs including last time out when sixth over 1000m at this track two-and-a-half weeks ago, beaten 4 lengths. Can turn things around.

3 CONCORDIA

BP: 7
56.5kg



25444 Jockey: S MOODLEY
Trainer: F BRONKHORST
Owner: Mr D V & Mrs R Woolley, M
Career: 10 : 0-1-0 (9 days)

Maiden galloper in first campaign. Has been unable to find the frame for a while, last start finishing fourth over 1200m at Turffontein Inside nine days ago. Certainly worth another chance.

4 BELLA BOOP BOOP

BP: 3
56.0kg



43679 Jockey: CHASE MAUJEAN
Trainer: C LENSLEY ★
Owner: Mr T P Zackey
Career: 26 : 0-1-4 (12 days)

Remains a maiden after 26 starts, the latest a safely held ninth over 1500m at this track. Testing the patience but among the main hopes.

5 CHILLI MARMALADE

BP: 2
55.5kg



04258 Jockey: S VALJALO
Trainer: C I JONKER
Owner: Mr & Mrs C Jonker
Career: 29 : 0-2-3 (19 days)

Remains a maiden after 29 starts, the latest a safely held eighth over 1000m at this track. Has ability and is in the mix.

6 SMART STAR

BP: 8
55.0kg



58665 Jockey: C HABIB
Trainer: J VISSER
Owner: Tkp Racing (Nom: Trevelen
Career: 6 : 0-0-0 (19 days)

Has been in work for quite a while. Finished fifth last start over 1000m at this track when she had to contend with an awkward barrier.

7 AMBER EYES

BP: 5
53.0kg



48698 Jockey: P MXOLI
Trainer: P MATCHETT
Owner: Messrs T R Janssen & R P
Career: 15 : 0-0-1 (26 days)

Four-year-old filly who punters have shunned in recent times, and she's been running accordingly. Can't see her breaking through for the maiden win this time.

8 THE BONNY

BP: 4
52.0kg



789 Jockey: M K KATJEDI
Trainer: P MATCHETT
Owner: Messrs S C Standaen & M
Career: 3 : 0-0-0 (9 days)

Has not been racing well lately, the latest effort a ninth and beaten 31 lengths over 1600m at Turffontein Inside. Difficult to recommend.

Pace of the Race

BackMaker	Mid	Pace	Leader
		2, 4, 5, 8	1, 3, 6, 7

Race Selections

	\$L12	Win SR	Dist W%	Trk W%	Trn Rat	Jock Rat	Wet W%
1st	1	-	-	-	7	1	-
2nd	2	-	-	-	8	2	-
3rd	3	-	-	-	4	7	-

Favorite: EMPRESS WU

Possible alternative: CONCORDIA

The cover: CYBER SPIRIT

R4 VAAL

2000m

13:20 | (GMT12:20) | ZAR R80,000 | HCP

RACING240 MAIDEN HANDICAP

FLAT **TURF**

Participants #7

EMBER KING (5) has shown good improvement in his last two starts. He finished third pf 11 over 1500m on the Classic course last time. He tries the 2000m for the first time and if seeing out the extra distance on offer can go close in this field. HEROIC ACT (2) is still a maiden after 18 starts. He finished third in his only attempt over this course and distance. On best form shown, he should be involved in the fight to the finish. INCLUSION (1) returns from a 19-week spell. His penultimate run when fourth over 1400m was encouraging. If not in need this run, he should run a positive race. CUZZIE (3) has drawn the widest gate but has good speed to overcome that obstacle and can hang on for a place.

1 INCLUSION

8x48x Jockey: P MXOLI
Trainer: T ZACKEY
Owner: Mr K P & Mrs N M Backos &
Career: 3 : 0-0-0 (133 days)

BP: 1
61.0kg



Last appeared four-and-a-half months ago when he finished 23 lengths from the winner in eighth over 1800m at this track. Don't underestimate.

2 HEROIC ACT

43375 Jockey: K MATSUNYANE
Trainer: T ZACKEY
Owner: Mr K P & Mrs N M Backos
Career: 18 : 0-1-3 (17 days)

BP: 6
59.5kg



Was below his best last time when midfield over 2000m at Turffontein Standside. Generally going well however with placings at four of seven starts this preparation. Nicely placed and expected to go a lot better.

3 CUZZIE

x0676 Jockey: M K KATJEDI
Trainer: B WEBBER
Owner: Mrs B I D'oliveira
Career: 9 : 0-0-0 (12 days)

BP: 7
57.0kg



Finished midfield last start at this track over 1500m, 6 lengths from the winner. Tackles a longer journey this time. Will be hard to beat.

4 EUPHRATES

9x67x Jockey: J PENNY
Trainer: A P PETER ★
Owner: Swiss Guard Racing Syndic
Career: 4 : 0-0-0 (72 days)

BP: 2
54.5kg



Lines up for the first time since June 15. Failed to impress in two appearances last time in work, the latest effort a seventh over 2000m at Turffontein Standside. Prefer to see how he has returned.

5 EMBER KING

09953 Jockey: L LOUIS NHLAPO ★
Trainer: A P PETER ★
Owner: Swiss Guard Racing Syndic
Career: 5 : 0-0-1 (12 days)

BP: 5
52.0kg



Ran a better race last start to finish third at this track over 1500m. Nicely placed and rates highly off that run. Further improvement expected.

6 SECRET WARRIOR

x7848 Jockey: CHASE MAUJEAN
Trainer: C LENSLEY ★
Owner: Mr G G Palmer & Mrs D Pal
Career: 7 : 0-0-1 (26 days)

BP: 3
52.0kg



Has been out of the money recently including last time out when eighth over 1200m at this track three-and-a-half weeks ago, beaten 14 lengths. Tested again.

7 THAT'S MAGICAL

4897 Jockey: K J LIHABA
Trainer: M AZZIE
Owner: Triple A Racing Syndicate
Career: 4 : 0-0-0 (33 days)

BP: 4
52.0kg



Struggling to find his best form of late. Last raced when 8 lengths back in seventh over 2000m at this track a month ago. Can't have on recent performances.

Pace of the Race			
BackMaker	Mid	Pace	Leader
	4	1, 2, 5, 6, 7	3

Race Selections							
	\$L12	Win SR	Dist W%	Trk W%	Trn Rat	Jock Rat	Wet W%
1st	2				4	1	
2nd	6	-	-	-	5	2	-
3rd	1				6	4	

Favorite: HEROIC ACT
Possible alternative: EMBER KING
The cover: INCLUSION

R5 VAAL

2000m

13:55 |(GMT12:55)| ZARR100,000| RBH76

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FLAT **TURF** Participants #10

GIMMEACHOICE (2) is having his peak run today and will be cherry-ripe. The tongue-tie has been fitted which may do the trick. He is likely to be settled near the rear of the field and will be moving down the frontrunners. BANHA BRIDGE (1) has fair consistent form lines to his credit. It must be noted that the horse that finished second in his last outing has come out and won since. He is likely to race on the speed and may be hard to peg back. GUY ALEXANDER (5) tried hard when second over 1800m last time. He is having his peak run today and will be ready to fire. If keeping on a straight line, he should be competitive. STORM AHEAD (6) finished second two runs back at Turffontein Standside then improved last time out to score as the favourite over 1800m. Looks well placed and has each-way claims.

1 BANHA BRIDGE

34433 Jockey: S SMOODLEY
Trainer: C DAWSON ★
Owner: Messrs A J Cohen, D M Coh
CD Career: 55 : 7-8-10 (38 days)

BP: 1
60.5kg



Finding it hard to break through this time in but not far away, the latest when third over 2000m at Turffontein Standside. Nearing a win and expected to go close.

2 GIMMEACHOICE

25x83 Jockey: C ZACKEY
Trainer: J SOMA ★
Owner: Messrs P Boonzaaier & F H
Career: 9 : 1-2-1 (19 days)

BP: 8
60.0kg



Promising gelding who last start finished one length away in third over 1800m at this track. Sure to measure up here.

3 MIZZEN SWORD

26419 Jockey: J PENNY +
Trainer: MARK KHAN
Owner: Mark Khan Racing (Pty) Lt
Career: 17 : 1-3-1 (19 days)

BP: 2
58.5kg



Got home by 2.25 lengths at Turffontein Inside two starts ago. Disappointed last time at this track when 9 lengths from the winner in ninth. Hard to fault if at his best.

4 TRIDENT KING

45944 Jockey: C HABIB
Trainer: D NIEUWENHUIZEN ★
Owner: Mrs V G Koterba
C Career: 29 : 4-2-3 (19 days)

BP: 10
58.5kg



Yet to break through this campaign but hasn't been far away including a last start fourth over 1800m at this track. Rates highly and can go on with it.

5 GUY ALEXANDER

80x92 Jockey: CHASE MAUJEAN
Trainer: C LENSLEY ★
Owner: Mr C J Lensley & Mrs E L
CD Career: 47 : 5-6-6 (19 days)

BP: 3
58.0kg



Strips fitter after two runs this time in work. Finished second last start over 1800m at this track, an improvement in the first-up performance. Capable and should go well.

6 STORM AHEAD

33621 Jockey: S'MANGA KHUMALO ★ +
Trainer: F BRONKHORST
Owner: Messrs R C Nell & F Bronk
BF Career: 21 : 2-3-6 (17 days)

BP: 5
58.0kg



Returned to the winners' circle after a long while in the wilderness last time out over 1800m at Turffontein Standside, scoring by 4.5 lengths. Last-start winner who can measure up again.

7 FUSHIMI INARI

375x7 Jockey: N KLINK
Trainer: SPETTIGREW
Owner: Messrs D Chinsammy, Paul
C Career: 17 : 1-2-4 (38 days)

BP: 9
57.5kg



Returned at long odds last start and finished 14 lengths adrift in seventh over 1600m at Turffontein Standside. Looks a fair way off peak form so others are preferred.

8 VOLTE FACE

60x20 Jockey: J R SYSTER
Trainer: H VAN DER WESTHUIZEN ★
Owner: Mrs W Van Der Westhuizen
C Career: 25 : 2-1-3 (45 days)

BP: 6
56.0kg



Offered little last start when friendless in betting over 2000m at Turffontein Standside. Hard to enthuse.

9 TITANS OF WAR

75158 Jockey: K J LIHABA
Trainer: R MAGNER
Owner: Mr H D Long
Career: 5 : 1-0-0 (19 days)

BP: 4
55.5kg



Not firing at all recently, the latest effort a 12 length eighth over 1400m at this track on August 7. Fully tested in this line up.

10 STOP THE TRAFFIC

70521 Jockey: P MXOLI +
Trainer: C LENSLEY ★
Owner: Mr P J Louwrens
C Career: 17 : 2-1-0 (19 days)

BP: 7
55.0kg



Recorded career win number two last time out, scoring by one length over 2400m at this track. Winning form is hard to knock but he is back in distance and might struggle.

Pace of the Race			
BackMaker	Mid	Pace	Leader
		6, 8, 10	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9

Race Selections							
	\$L12	Win SR	Dist W%	Trk W%	Trn Rat	Jock Rat	Wet W%
1st	5	5	5	10	5	2	
2nd	6	9	1	1	10	1	
3rd	9	6	-	4	2	8	

Favorite: GIMMEACHOICE
Possible alternative: TRIDENT KING
The cover: BANHA BRIDGE

R6 VAAL 1200m

14:30 |(GMT13:30)| ZAR95,000| HCP

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FLAT **TURF** Participants #9

XENOPHON (8) was an easy winner when shedding his maiden tag over this distance on the Classic course last time out. He takes on stronger rivals but he has plenty of scope and should be well up to the task at hand. PENNSYLVANIA (2) has shown signs of needing his last two starts. He won his maiden over this course and distance at the second time of asking. He is having his peak run and can improve. Each-way claims. EIGHT HATS (6) finished out of the money two runs back then she got a long way back and only finished seventh over 1400m at Turffontein Standside last start. Looks well placed and can find winning form. HONG KONG (3) has been well supported in her last couple of runs but failed to threaten last start at this track over 1600m. Look for a better run this time and can place.

1 BOSUM BUDDY

BP: 6
60.0kg

33378 Jockey: TRENT MAYHEW
Trainer: P MATCHETT
Owner: Bella Blu Holdings (Pty)
CD Career: 15 : 1-2-6 (33 days)



Continued a long win drought when beaten 8 lengths into eighth at this track over 1000m on July 24. Others appear better placed.

2 PENNSYLVANIA

BP: 4
60.0kg

x2x66 Jockey: C HABIB
Trainer: A P PETER ★
Owner: Hyperpaint Syndicate (Nom)
CD Career: 6 : 1-1-0 (9 days)



Hasn't set the world on fire in his two starts since resuming, most recently finishing 9 lengths adrift in sixth over 1600m at Turffontein Inside. Fitter now and better placed coming back in distance.

3 HONG KONG

BP: 2
58.5kg

48259 Jockey: S MOODLEY
Trainer: A P PETER ★
Owner: Glistian (Pty) Ltd
D BF Career: 10 : 1-3-0 (12 days)



Doesn't win out of turn and ran below par last time when ninth over 1600m at this track and beaten 11 lengths. Has ability and is among the better hopes.

4 BOURBON RESERVE

BP: 8
57.0kg

x0x47 Jockey: C ZACKEY
Trainer: S TARRY
Owner: Itssa It & Business Solut
C BF Career: 7 : 1-1-1 (12 days)



Could only manage seventh over 1200m at this track last start to continue a run of ordinary form. A better run is on the cards.

5 RED PENNY

BP: 3
56.0kg

13760 Jockey: C MURRAY
Trainer: P MATCHETT
Owner: Messrs M J Kapnias & A M
Career: 7 : 1-0-2 (12 days)



Still in first campaign. Has been unable to find the frame for a while, last start finishing tenth over 1200m at this track a week-and-a-half ago. Worth following up.

6 EIGHT HATS

BP: 5
55.0kg

32187 Jockey: P MXOLI +
Trainer: P MATCHETT
Owner: Mr H P N Pretorius
D Career: 5 : 1-1-1 (51 days)



Was thereabouts two starts back but didn't impress last start when seventh over 1400m at Turffontein Standside. Willing to give her another chance.

7 WILLOWLD

BP: 9
55.0kg

2136x Jockey: CHASE MAUJEAN +
Trainer: L HOUDALAKIS
Owner: Jan & Linda Stekhoven, Me
C Career: 6 : 1-1-2 (327 days)



Last appeared 11 months ago when she finished 9 lengths from the winner in sixth over 1600m at this track. Did finish in the money first-up last prep at Scottsville over 1200m. Looks tested without a run under the belt.

8 XENOPHON

BP: 7
53.5kg

3231 Jockey: S'MANGA KHUMALO ★
Trainer: S TARRY
Owner: Mr A R & Mrs A B L Beck
CD Career: 4 : 1-1-2 (26 days)



Had been knocking on the door and a deserved win came last start by 4.5 lengths over 1200m at this track. Can make it two on the trot.

9 SPY STORY

BP: 1
52.0kg

04659 Jockey: J PENNY
Trainer: S GRAY
Owner: Mr St John D Gray
Career: 26 : 1-2-4 (17 days)



Finding it hard to break through, finishing ninth last time out over 1600m at Turffontein Standside. Has had too many chances.

Pace of the Race			
BackMaker	Mid	Pace	Leader
	6	1, 9	2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8

Race Selections							
	\$L12	Win SR	Dist W%	Trk W%	Trn Rat	Jock Rat	Wet W%
1st	8	8	6	8	2	4	
2nd	3	6	8	2	3	5	
3rd	6	2	2	4	7	8	

Favorite: EIGHT HATS
Possible alternative: XENOPHON
The cover: HONG KONG

R7 VAAL 1200m

15:10 |(GMT14:10)| ZAR80,000| RBH70

SUMMER CUP TICKETS ON SALE MR 70 HA...

FLAT **TURF** Participants #11

PALACE PRINCE (3) is lightly raced with some good form lines to his name. He was not beaten far over 1450m on the Classic course last time. It must be noted that the winner of that last race has come out and won again since. If jumping on level terms, he should be too good for this field. JET CAT (6) got up late when winning over this course and distance last time. He returns from a well-deserved 10-week spell. He meets a similar field and if not in need of the run, he can follow up. TIME WILL TELL(2) took the lead at the 200m mark over 1000m last time and kept finding to shed his maiden tag. He does take on stronger rivals but is in a good space and can give a good account of himself. STROKE OF MERCY (8) finished third of nine last start over 1450m at this track when well supported. Looks well placed here and can figure in the finish.

1 BEAMONESQUE

BP: 3
61.0kg

x870x Jockey: C MURRAY
Trainer: M & M DE KOCK ★
Owner: Assm Racing Syndicate (No)
D Career: 10 : 1-0-2 (154 days)



Was unplaced and well beaten in all runs last campaign, the latest when tenth over 1200m at this track five months ago. Prefer to see him back in form.

2 TIME WILL TELL

BP: 7
60.5kg

34231 Jockey: S'MANGA KHUMALO ★ +
Trainer: F BRONKHORST
Owner: Mr T J Shawe
C Career: 9 : 1-2-3 (19 days)



Had been knocking on the door and a deserved win came last start by 0.8 lengths over 1000m at this track. Expected to go very well again.

3 PALACE PRINCE

BP: 4
59.5kg

31254 Jockey: S MOODLEY
Trainer: S GRAY
Owner: Mr St John D Gray
D Career: 5 : 1-1-1 (26 days)



Promising colt who last start finished 2.5 lengths away in fourth over 1450m at this track. One of the major players.

4 GIMME A STORM

BP: 11
58.0kg

1x709 Jockey: SVALJALO
Trainer: A P PETER ★
Owner: Kestorm Investments (Nom)
CD Career: 10 : 1-0-0 (33 days)



Unable to find the winners' circle this campaign. Last start was beaten 7 lengths into ninth over 1450m at this track. Needs to do more.

5 MICHAEL FARADAY

BP: 2
58.0kg



0x00x Jockey: P MXOLI
Trainer: G MAROUN
Owner: Mr G J Maroun
Career: 26 : 2-2-3 (86 days)

Last appeared 12 weeks ago when he finished 13 lengths from the winner in tenth over 1400m at Kenilworth. Unlikely to feature.

6 JET CAT

BP: 5
55.0kg



2731x Jockey: J R SYSTER +
Trainer: H VAN DER WESTHUIZEN ★
Owner: Mrs W Van Der Westhuizen
CD Career: 64 : 4-6-14 (68 days)

Has not raced since he closed the last campaign with a win over 1200m at this track ten weeks ago. Looks very hard to beat.

7 PACIFIC

BP: 1
54.0kg



0x090 Jockey: J PENNY
Trainer: S GRAY
Owner: Mr St John D Gray
C Career: 26 : 1-1-4 (54 days)

Looks tested again after some poor recent form, the latest when 15 lengths adrift in tenth over 1000m at this track. Getting beaten too easily and will need to improve sharply.

8 STROKE OF MERCY

BP: 8
52.5kg



0x573 Jockey: CHASE MAUJEAN
Trainer: C LENSLEY ★
Owner: Mr C J Lensley & Mrs E L
D Career: 21 : 1-2-5 (12 days)

Not a regular in the winners' stall and hasn't scored for two-and-a-half years. Last start was 2 lengths away in third over 1450m at this track. Capable on his day and looks well placed.

9 ORIENTAL BOUQUET

BP: 6
52.0kg



35954 Jockey: K J LIHABA
Trainer: G MAROUN
Owner: Mr G J Maroun
D Career: 25 : 1-2-1 (9 days)

Not a regular in the winners' stall and hasn't scored for two-and-a-half years. Last start was 6 lengths adrift in fourth over 1200m at Turffontein Inside. Rates highly on best form and is worth including.

10 TOGETHER AGAIN

BP: 9
52.0kg



98402 Jockey: M K KATJEDI
Trainer: J VISSER
Owner: Messrs D Fegen, J C W Vis
C Career: 60 : 2-3-7 (12 days)

Hit and miss type who improved last start to finish second over 1450m at this track. Open to further improvement.

11 SI VELOCE

BP: 10
52.0kg



98098 Jockey: N KLINK
Trainer: J VISSER
Owner: Messrs D Fegen, J C W Vis
Career: 30 : 1-0-3 (12 days)

Five-year-old mare who punters have shunned in recent times, and she's been running accordingly. Likely to go around at long odds again.

Pace of the Race							
BackMaker		Mid		Pace		Leader	
		9		3, 4, 5, 6, 10		1, 2, 7, 8, 11	
Race Selections							
	\$L12	Win SR	Dist W%	Trk W%	Trn Rat	Jock Rat	Wet W%
1st	3	3	3	2	4	1	
2nd	2	2	1	4	3	2	-
3rd	4	4	4	7	7	7	

Favorite: PALACE PRINCE
Possible alternative: TIME WILL TELL
The cover: STROKE OF MERCY

R8 VAAL

1600m

15:45 |(GMT14:45)| ZAR R85,000 | RBH72

NEXT VAAL RACEMEETING THURSDAY 28 A...

FLAT **TURF** Participants #13

ZOOMBOMBER (6) showed some signs of needing his comeback run over 1450m on the Classic course last start when finishing fourth of nine at long odds. He has won once, finished second twice and third once from seven starts over this distance. He will strip much fitter and he may be hard to peg back. AFTER HOURS (1) is a winner of his last two starts, the latest of which was over this distance at Turffontein. He is versatile and can bring up the hat-trick. COPPOLA (3) is better than his last start run at Greyville would suggest as he raced wide around the turn. He finished second in his only attempt over this course and distance. On previous form, he should be figuring in the finish. COMMANDER OF ALL (12) made good progress last time out, finishing third of nine at long odds over 1600m at Turffontein Standside. Likely improver with strong each-way prospects.

1 AFTER HOURS

BP: 10
62.0kg



75311 Jockey: P MXOLI +
Trainer: S GRAY
Owner: Mr St John D Gray
CD Career: 96 : 12-8-16 (17 days)

Has chalked-up wins at his last two starts, the latest over 1600m at Turffontein Standside by 1.3 lengths. In great form and should be right in the thick of things again.

2 BLURRED VISION

BP: 6
59.0kg



58085 Jockey: C HABIB
Trainer: S GRAY
Owner: Mr St John D Gray
C Career: 20 : 1-1-1 (17 days)

Produced a better run last time out when fifth over 1600m at Turffontein Standside, beaten 3 lengths. Won't be far away.

3 COPPOLA

BP: 7
59.0kg



23636 Jockey: J PENNY
Trainer: MARK KHAN
Owner: Messrs J A Maroun, D Anth
C Career: 17 : 1-2-3 (20 days)

Has been in work for quite a while. Finished sixth last start over 1400m at Greyville when he had to contend with an awkward barrier.

4 PANNING GOLD

BP: 12
58.0kg



97306 Jockey: K J LIHABA
Trainer: ALSON NDZILANA
Owner: Assm Racing Syndicate (No
Career: 18 : 1-3-5 (9 days)

Not doing a lot this campaign including a very underwhelming last start sixth over 2000m at Turffontein Inside, beaten 10 lengths. Has ability and gets his chance to show what he can do.

5 COPPER MIST

BP: 1
57.5kg



x088x Jockey: C MURRAY
Trainer: W MARWING
Owner: Messrs W Marwing & S S Po
Career: 18 : 1-1-3 (68 days)

Resumes after a spell of ten weeks. Closed last campaign with a string of average performances. Cannot enthuse until he shows something positive.

6 ZOOMBOMBER

BP: 2
57.0kg



712x4 Jockey: TRENT MAYHEW
Trainer: C SPIES
Owner: Green Lightning Racing (P
D Career: 31 : 2-3-3 (12 days)

Wasn't expected to do much when fresh from a spell last start at this track over 1450m and wound up in fourth, beaten 4 lengths. Can do much better this time with the run under his belt.

7 FLAG BEARER

BP: 11
56.5kg



34702 Jockey: S MOODLEY
Trainer: F BRONKHORST
Owner: Mr F Bronkhorst
C Career: 67 : 5-13-12 (17 days)

Finding it hard to break through this time in but not far away, the latest when second over 1800m at Turffontein Standside. Overdue for a win and is among the each way hopes.

8 OKLAHOMA TWISTER

BP: 4
56.0kg



x0648 Jockey: J R SYSTER
Trainer: H VAN DER WESTHUIZEN ★
Owner: Wwcd Syndicate (Nom: Mr N
C Career: 27 : 1-1-2 (19 days)

Has recorded just one win from 27 career starts. Last start was beaten 4 lengths when eighth over 1800m at this track. Others preferred.

9 GAMER

BP: 8
55.5kg



69243 Jockey: CHASE MAUJEAN
Trainer: S GRAY
Owner: Mr St John D Gray
CD Career: 34 : 1-5-6 (17 days)

Edging towards a win, the latest effort a 5.5 lengths third over 1800m at Turffontein Standside. Going well and expected to feature again.

10 VAVA VEGAS

BP: 5
55.5kg



08975 Jockey: K MATSUNYANE
Trainer: J BORMAN
Owner: Mr G R Sadleir
CD Career: 40 : 4-2-2 (12 days)

Has been out of the money recently including last time out when fifth over 1600m at this track a week-and-a-half ago, beaten 3.5 lengths. Tested again.

11 VIVA DE JANEIRO

BP: 3
53.5kg

25627 Jockey: S'MANGA KHUMALO ★
Trainer: F BRONKHORST
Owner: Messrs C J Potgieter, T J
CD BF Career: 38 : 3-5-6 (17 days)



Hasn't won in 16 months. Finished seventh, beaten 4.5 lengths, last start over 1600m at Turffontein Standside. Prepared to risk.

12 COMMANDER OF ALL

BP: 9
52.0kg

x6853 Jockey: M K KATJEDI
Trainer: B WEBBER
Owner: Mr M G Bothma
C Career: 25 : 1-1-4 (17 days)



Has been thereabouts without winning, last start finishing third over 1600m at Turffontein Standside. Has ability and is one of the major players.

13 COUNT YOUR CHANCES

BP: 13
52.0kg

90589 Jockey: N KLINK
Trainer: J VISSER
Owner: Mr S J Myburgh
C Career: 49 : 2-4-7 (19 days)



Has been struggling to find form including last start when 10 lengths from the winner in ninth over 2400m at this track. Impossible to recommend.

Pace of the Race							
BackMaker		Mid		Pace		Leader	
		2		1, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11		3, 5, 6, 9, 12, 13	
Race Selections							
	\$L12	Win SR	Dist W%	Trk W%	Trn Rat	Jock Rat	Wet W%
1st	1	1	1	11	1	11	6
2nd	6	6	6	10	2	7	10
3rd	7	7	10	3	9	4	1

Favorite: AFTER HOURS
Possible alternative: COMMANDER OF ALL
The cover: COPPOLA