



**THE MAURITIUS TURF CLUB**  
CHAMP DE MARS – PORT LOUIS

**INTERIM REPORT – SATURDAY 2 DECEMBER 2017**

**RACE 1 – THE BONNY AIR TRAVEL TROPHY**

The start was delayed when **Spin A Coin** proved difficult to load and eventually lost its bridle, which had to be refitted. **Mexican Sun**, **Wing Man** and **Sea Pass** were slow to begin. **Birds Eye View** jumped awkwardly and shifted in, inconveniencing **Mexican Sun**. **Rasta Rebel** and **Spin A Coin** raced wide throughout. **Starsky** raced wide in the early and middle stages. From leaving the 1200 metres, when being settled, **Line Of Sight** commenced to race ungenerously, throwing its head. For some distance leaving the 1100 metres **Line Of Sight** had to be eased when awkward close to the heels of **Starsky**. Leaving the 300 metres **Wing Man** was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn. Leaving the 250 metres **Nadas** was switched to the inside of **Birds Eye View** to secure clear running.

**RACE 2 – THE SIS INTERNATIONAL TROPHY**

**Plain Of Wisdom** and **Prince George** were slow to begin and from its wide draw **Plain Of Wisdom** was taken across to race behind runners. **Red China** dipped approaching the 700 metres. **Sarah's Secret** jumped the crossing at the 800 metres. Approaching the 400 metres **Gold Medalist** was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn. From leaving the 400 metres, for some distance, **Secret Idea** was held up when unable to improve from behind **Flower Blue**. Leaving the 300 metres **Flower Blue** was held up when unable to improve from behind **Sarah's Secret** and leaving the 250 metres was switched to the inside of **Sarah's Secret** to secure clear running. When questioned, jockey Boudot (**Red China**) explained that he was instructed to endeavour to lead, however his mount was not striding out properly throughout the race.

**RACE 3 – THE T-PRINTERS INTERNATIONAL TROPHY**

**Emaar**, **New Star** and **Arabian Sea** were slow to begin. Shortly after the start **Emaar** raced in restricted room between **Avail** and **Valerin**, which had jumped sideways. Leaving the 1500 metres, when being settled, **Top Of The Rock** raced ungenerously. **Dealer's Charm** hung in in the home straight. **Dealer's Charm** and **Top Of The Rock** raced wide in the early stages. Approaching the 1000 metres **Top Of The Rock** was allowed to stride forward to secure a position closer to the lead. **Valerin** raced wide throughout. **Top Of The Rock** hung in in the early stages of the home straight.

**RACE 4 – THE MAURITIUS TOURISM 50 YEARS CUP**

**Prince Lateral** was slow to begin. **Soweto Moon** jumped awkwardly and failed to muster speed when urged forward in the early stages. For some distance leaving the 900 metres **Schachar** raced in restricted room on the inside of **Skip The Red**. From near the 350 metres **Prince Lateral** was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn. Passing the 250 metres, when urged forward in the early stages of the home straight, **Schachar** shifted in and became awkward when close to the heels of **Ice Run** and shortly after was disappointed for a run between **Ice Run** and **Skip The Red**. **Schachar** was then switched to the inside of **Ice Run** to secure clear running. In the early stages of the home straight **Soweto Moon** was taken out from behind **Schachar** and **Skip The Red** to secure clear running. In the early stages of the home straight **Answergenesis** shifted out under pressure, resulting in **Streetbouncer**, which was following, having to be switched to its inside to obtain clear running. **Racing For Fun** and **Soweto Moon** brushed over the concluding stages. Over the concluding stages **Ice Run** and **Schachar** ran out of galloping room and were not properly tested.

### RACE 5 – THE AIR MAURITIUS 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY GOLDEN JUBILEE CUP

**Easy Lover** stumbled and was slow out. **Recall To Life** was slow to begin. Passing the 1500 metres, when being settled, **Dreamforest** threw its head, racing ungenerously for some distance. From leaving the 200 metres **Scotsnog** commenced to shift in, carrying **M L Jet** inwards. **Scotsnog** was then straightened with **M L Jet** continuing to shift in, resulting in **Recall To Life**, which was improving on its inside, becoming slightly cramped for room and having to be steadied. At an inquiry into this incident, jockey Fradd (**Scotsnog**) was told to exercise more care. Approaching the 100 metres **M L Jet** commenced to shift in under pressure, resulting in **Recall To Life**, which was improving on its inside, being inconvenienced and having to steady. Jockey Lloyd (**M L Jet**) was shown the video replays of the incident and told to exercise care.

### RACE 6 – THE MITAVITE TROPHY

**Chinese Gold** was slow to begin and shortly after the start was cramped for room by **Var's Dream**, which had jumped outwards. **New Hampshire** was slow out and shortly after the start raced in restricted room between **Door Of Deception** and **Silver Bluff**. From its wide draw, **Belenos** was taken across to race behind runners. Leaving the 1200 metres **Var's Dream** rolled out and carried **Kapitan** wider on the track. **Chosen Dash**, which was following, improved on the inside of **Kapitan** and when **Kapitan** was taken back in, **Chosen Dash** was inconvenienced and had to be steadied for some distance. Passing the 600 metres **Chosen Dash** shifted in. Jockey Chaves (**Chosen Dash**) was shown the video replays of the incident and told to allow more room to horses on his inside. **New Hampshire** was taken out from approaching the 400 metres. Leaving the 400 metres **Belenos** was taken out to improve its position and, in doing so, carried **New Hampshire** wider on the track with the latter rounding the home turn very wide.

### RACE 7 – THE BEST LADIES CARE SOUVENIR CUP

**Act Of Loyalty** was slow out and shortly after was crowded for room between **Kalinago**, which had shifted out, and **Promissory**, which had jumped inwards. Leaving the 900 metres **Act Of Loyalty** was taken out and allowed to stride forward to secure a position closer to the lead. Approaching the 500 metres **Sir Earl Grey** was taken out from behind **Promissory** and, in doing so, carried **Act Of Loyalty** wider on the track. Approaching the 450 metres **Memphis Mafia** was taken out from behind **Jolie Roger** and raced wide from then onwards. **Jolie Roger** hung in in the home straight. Over the concluding stages **Jolie Roger** hung out, carrying **Our Jet** outwards onto **Act Of Loyalty**, which was shifting in under pressure, with **Our Jet** becoming inconvenienced close to its heels and having to be eased.

### RACE 8 – THE JEAN HALBWACHS CHALLENGE TROPHY

**Rebel Alliance** jumped awkwardly and shifted in, contacting the hindquarter of **It Doesn't Matter**. **Rock Hard** jumped inwards, contacting **Duke The Duke** and, when being urged forward, **Rock Hard** continued to shift in, contacting **Duke The Duke** on numerous occasions. **Student Grant** raced fiercely in the early stages with its rider being unable to restrain it. Leaving the 1300 metres **Rock Hard** became awkward close to the heels of **League Of Legends** and was taken out and, in doing so, carried **Kimberley** wider on the track. **Zen Master** raced wide in the early stages. **Kimberley** and **Zen Master** raced wide from leaving the 450 metres. From approaching the 300 metres **It Doesn't Matter** was held up when unable to improve from behind **Rock Hard**, which had commenced to give ground. **It Doesn't Matter** was then switched to the outside of **Rock Hard** to obtain clear running. Passing the 300 metres **Rock Hard** shifted in under pressure, momentarily crowding **Duke The Duke**, which was racing on its inside.