



THE MAURITIUS TURF CLUB
CHAMP DE MARS – PORT LOUIS

INTERIM REPORT – SATURDAY 31 MARCH 2018

RACE 1 – LE PRIX DU CHAMP DE MARS

Silver Rock - Threw its head as the start was effected and upon jumping jockey Bheekary lost his near side stirrup, which he quickly regained. Approaching the 1200 metres commenced to race fiercely and had to be taken out when close to the heels of **Ice Emperor**. Was taken out from the 450 metres and raced wide rounding the home turn.

Seven Oceans - Was crowded for room shortly after the start between **Rasta Rebel** and **Colour Of Courage**. Leaving the 1200 metres was taken out by **Silver Rock**, bumping the hindquarters of **Colour Of Courage** and unbalancing the latter.

Prince Of Arabia - Raced wide throughout. Vet report: Not striding out.

Colour Of Courage - Raced wide in the early stages, bumped approaching the 1100 metres and approaching the 900 metres was allowed to stride forward to secure the lead.

Right To Tango - Shifted in, inconveniencing **Social Network** near the 100 metres. Jockey Bhaugeerothee was shown the video footage of the home straight, reprimanded and told that, when his mounts shift ground, he should stop riding with the whip to straighten them.

Prince Ariano - Raced fiercely in the early stages, leaving the 1100 metres became awkward close to the heels of **Social Network** and from leaving the 900 metres raced ungenerously throwing its head on numerous occasions until the 600 metres.

Social Network - Was inconvenienced passing the 900 metres when **Right To Tango** shifted in under pressure. Apprentice Allyhosain was questioned with regard to its poor performance. He explained that he was instructed to endeavour to lead and after jumping well, he managed to secure the lead, however in the back straight **Colour Of Courage** improved on his outside, resulting in his mount dropping his bit and from then on was not travelling well.

Rasta Rebel – Vet Report: Coughing after race, scoped: Blood in trachea.

RACE 2 – THE JMT COMMUNICATION TROPHY

Napoli - Withdrawn at noon today acting on veterinary advice that its right knee was swollen. In view of this, all bets on this gelding were ordered to be refunded and betting with bookmakers was re-opened.

Melson - Raced wide from approaching the 400 metres.

Seeking The Dream - Jumped inwards bumping **Al Hamd**. Raced tight between **Al Hamd** and **Studiolo** in the early stages.

Pop The Question - Shifted in in the home straight. Jockey Horil was shown the video replays of the home straight, reprimanded and told to stop riding with the whip and straighten his mounts when they shift ground.

Al Hamd jumped outwards. Leaving the 100 metres was eased over several strides when cramped for room on the inside of **Bezamod** and taken out.

Bezamod – On inquiry, jockey Bussunt pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that passing the 100 metres he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in, resulting in **Al Hamd**, which was improving on its inside. becoming cramped for galloping room and having to be eased and taken out to continue going forward. He was suspended from riding in races for one race meeting. Over the final 25 metres, jockey Bussunt sat up on his mount. He was shown the video

footage of the concluding stages and reprimanded under MTC Rule 160 A (i) for not riding to the finish.

Studiolo - Raced tight between **Seeking The Dream** and **Pop The Question** and approaching the 1400 metres had to be eased to avoid the heels of **Pop The Question**. Was taken out from leaving the 400 metres to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn. Jockey Theriot reported that over the last 200 metres his saddle slipped sideways, placing him at a disadvantage to assist his mount properly. Vet Report: Lameness off fore.

Secret Idea - Approaching the 100 metres the whip of jockey Winks became entangled in his rein.

RACE 3 – THE JFT CONSULTING TROPHY

Gameloft - Withdrawn at 8.30 a.m. on Friday acting on veterinary advice that it was lame. In view of this, all bets on this gelding were ordered to be refunded and betting with bookmakers was re-opened.

Moonrise Sensation - When being saddled at the stable became fractious and fell, losing both hind shoes. The farrier being unable to be re-shod on its off hind leg, acting on veterinary advice, it was withdrawn at 1.50 p.m. In view of this, all bets on this gelding were ordered to be refunded and winning bets with bookmakers were paid less 20 cents per rupee, the average price of **Moonrise Sensation** being 4-1.

The start was delayed while waiting for **Moonrise Sensation** to be re-shod.

Burwaaz - Slow to begin.

Friend Request - Hung in over the concluding stages. Vet report: Lameness off fore.

Jambamman - Slow to begin.

Criss Cross Man - Shortly after the start, jockey Chisty became unbalanced, falling in his saddle on two occasions.

Wavebreaker - Raced fiercely in the early stages of the race, throwing its head.

RACE 4 – THE SMILE UP TROPHY

The track was upgraded to 2.9 prior to this race.

Hililyhililyhilo - Jumped awkwardly. Over the concluding stages shifted out away from the whip, becoming inconvenienced close to the heels of **Apple Pie**. Ducked sharply at the pull up, dislodging jockey Bundhoo.

In The Loop – Slow to begin.

Rumbullion – When questioned, jockey Balloo explained that he was instructed to jump and let his mount run in its pace as the distance could be on the sharp side. As such, he expected to be towards the rear in the field, however, the gelding jumped better than expected and he managed to secure a position closer to the lead. When further questioned, he added that he could have raced closer to the lead and would have had to ask his mount for an effort but he was instructed not to bussle it, he thus decided against urging his mount forward.

RACE 5 – THE POLAR ROYALE TROPHY

The Right Road - Forced its gate open prior to the start being given, was held back and its gate was closed.

New Hampshire - Jumped outwards, crowding **Ole Gunner** onto **The Right Road**.

Ole Gunner - Crowded at start.

Thrust – Slow to begin. Approaching the 450 metres was urged forward to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

Racing For Fun - Had to be eased approaching the 1000 metres and threw its head when the pace slowed. Passing the 300 metres, was taken out from behind **Rob's Jewel** and shortly after from **Jolie Roger**, and raced wide in the home straight.

Rob's Jewel – On inquiry, jockey Rama pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (d) for excessively reducing the pace of his mount approaching the 1000 metres, thereby causing interference to **Racing For Fun**. He was fined Rs.20,000.

RACE 6 – THE Vocalcom DUCHESS OF YORK CUP

Budapest - The start was delayed when it proved difficult to load. Should pass a barrier test to the satisfaction of the Stewards before being allowed to race again. Cramped for room and had to be checked at the 1250 metres.

Baritone stood flat footed, was slow out, losing considerable ground.

Exit Here – Shifted in near the 1250 metres, crowding **Budapest**, resulting in the latter having to be checked. On inquiry, jockey Horil pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (f) for careless riding. He was suspended from riding in races for one race meeting and fined Rs.25,000. Vet report: Severely Distressed. Suspended 1 month. Should trial and pass an official veterinary examination before racing again.

Table Bay – Leaving the 300 metres was taken out, crowding **Ten Gun Salute** onto **Baritone** with **Ten Gun Salute** having to be checked, losing its position. On inquiry, jockey Theriot pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (f) for careless riding. He was suspended from riding in races for one race meeting and fined Rs.25,000.

RACE 7 – THE ARABIAN PROPHECY TROPHY

Midnight Man - The start was delayed when it proved difficult to load. Should pass a barrier test to the satisfaction of the Stewards before being allowed to race again.

In Your Face - Jumped inwards, crowding **Al Dangeur** onto **Stock Broker** with the latter shifting in and crowding **Saracen King**. Hung in in the home straight. Jockey Chisty was shown the video replays of the home straight, warned and told to stop riding with the whip and straighten his mounts when they shift ground.

Gondwana – Slow to begin. Hung in the home straight.

Stock Broker - Jumped awkwardly and shortly after was crowded for room. Passing the 1300 metres was crowded for room on the inside of **Al Dangeur** and had to be checked.

Midnight Man - Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Al Dangeur - On inquiry, jockey Horil pleaded guilty to a charge under Rule 160 A (d) for failing to take necessary steps to ensure that he did not cause interference to **Stock Broker** passing the 1300 metres. He was suspended from riding in races for one race meeting, this suspension to run concurrently with the first suspension. Leaving the 100 metres was inconvenienced on the heels of **In Your Face**, which had shifted ground.

RACE 8 – THE PORT AU PRINCE CUP

Man From Seattle - Reared prior to the start being given, fell over, examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and passed fit to race. Jumped outwards. Jumped the crossing at the 1000 metres.

Perplexing – Threw its head on jumping. Raced wide in the early stages.

The Judicator - Jumped inwards. Raced wide in the early stages.

Zodiak Jack – Jumped outwards, contacting **Red Hot Poker**.

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The Deacon – Approaching the 1100 metres, raced tight onto **Kash Is King**.

Starspangledbanner - Vet report: Not striding out. Should trial and pass an official veterinary examination before racing again.