



THE MAURITIUS TURF CLUB
CHAMP DE MARS – PORT LOUIS

INTERIM REPORT – SATURDAY 6 OCTOBER 2018

RACE 1 – THE ANGE CAYEUX CUP – 990M

Duffield – Passing the 700 metres inconvenienced and had to be taken out. Carried wide at the 600 metres.

Stock Broker – Crowded for room shortly after the start. Approaching the 700 metres was inconvenienced. **The Border War**, which was following, was inconvenienced and had to be taken out to avoid the heels of **Gondwana**. Approaching the 200 metres was angled out to secure clear running.

Apres Ski – Bumped near the 950 metres and became unbalanced. Raced wide from the 600 metres. Vet report: Lameness near fore.

Philosopher – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out, crowding **Stock Broker** onto **Brachetto**.

Gondwana – Dipped at the start. Near the 750 metres over-raced and lay in, clipping the heels of **Brachetto** and stumbling badly, nearly dislodging apprentice Allyhosain, then shifted in, inconveniencing **Stock Broker**. Approaching the 600 metres shifted out and carried **The Border War** wider on the track.

The Border War – Was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon behind the barriers and passed fit to run. Near the 950 metres shifted in and bumped **Apres Ski**. Approaching the 700 metres was inconvenienced and had to be taken away from heels. Carried out near the 600 metres.

Bobby's Express – Was slow to begin. Made the turn at the 600 metres awkwardly and steadied when close to the heels of **The Border War**. Angled out in the home straight to secure clear running.

RACE 2 – THE MUA FOUNDER'S CUP – 1500M

Afdeek – Commenced awkwardly. Approaching the 200 metres endeavoured to secure an inside run, at the same time **Cool Water** shifted in under pressure, resulting in it having to angle out to secure clear running.

Buffalo Trip – Slow to begin. Passing the 1200 metres had to be eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Newsman**.

Newsman – Near the 1200 metres slightly inconvenienced close to the heels of **Afdeek**. Hung in over the concluding stages.

Kimberley – Was taken out to improve its position leaving the 450 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

Bear Hug – Slow to begin and was then taken across to race behind runners. Leaving the 400 metres was taken out and lay inwards, steadying away from **Wow Holiday** on its inside.

Wow Holiday – Approaching the 300 metres was taken out from behind **Rock Hard** to secure clear running. Near the 200 metres was taken out from behind **Kimberley** to continue going forward.

Bonjour Baby – In the early stages of the home straight was inclined to shift in under pressure, resulting in **Newsman** having to angle out from behind it in order to secure clear running.

Rock Hard – Commenced to give ground from approaching the 400 metres with **Wow Holiday**, which was following, having to be taken out passing the 300 metres to improve around it.

RACE 3 – THE MUA LIFE CUP – 1600M

West Coast Warrior – Jumped awkwardly and brushed the left side of its gate. From leaving the 1100 metres commenced to over-race and when being steadied, got its head up on several occasions. Had a tendency to lay out over the concluding 100 metres with apprentice Allyhosain switching his whip to his left hand.

Netflix – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Raced wide throughout.

Perplexing – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Approaching the 1000 metres, when the pace slackened, had to be steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Crazy Vision**. Was taken out from approaching the 450 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

New Star – Stood flat footed and was slow to begin, losing considerable ground.

RACE 4 – THE MUA MUTUAL FUND CUP – 1500M

Burwaaz - Slow to begin and shortly after was taken across to race behind runners.

Interferometer – Was difficult to load. Shifted outwards on jumping. Approaching the 1200 metres commenced to over-race and was taken out from behind **Tower Of Wisdom**. Approaching the 1000 metres was still over-racing and was taken out away from the heels of **Volatile Energy** and passing the 1000 metres was taken back in, clipped the heels of **Volatile Energy** and stumbled. Approaching the 600 metres was eased when awkward close to the heels of **Volatile Energy** and shifted back in, crowding **Rebel Alliance**.

A Greater Power – Passing the 1400 metres commenced to over-race and had to be steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Le Clos**. Leaving the 1100 metres commenced to over-race and had to be eased when close to the heels of **Rebel Alliance**. Following this incident it continued to over-race and got its head up on several occasions. Was taken out approaching the 450 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

Rebel Alliance – Slow to begin and bumped shortly after. Cramped for room at the 600 metres.

Red Indy – Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Volatile Energy – Jumped awkwardly and shifted in, bumping **Rebel Alliance**. From leaving the 1100 metres, when the pace slowed, was taken out to avoid the heels of **Euroklidon**.

Le Clos – Commenced to over-race from leaving the 1000 metres. Passing the 1000 metres was taken out when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Interferometer** and raced wide from then onwards.

GENERAL

On inquiry, apprentice Louis (**Euroklidon**) pleaded guilty to a charge under the provisions of MTC Rule 160 A (b) for excessively reducing the pace of his mount from leaving the 1100 metres causing interference directly to **Volatile Energy** and indirectly to **Tower Of Wisdom**, **Rebel Alliance** and **A Greater Power**. He was fined Rs.10,000.

On inquiry, jockey Godden (**Volatile Energy**) was reprimanded under the provisions of MTC Rule 160 A (b) for excessively reducing the pace of his mount leaving the 1100 metres and told that the fact that he was on the outside of the leader, he also had the responsibility to ensure that there was a reasonable pace in the race.

RACE 5 – THE MUA PENSION CUP – 1400M

Turbulent Air – Slow to begin. Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Al Mariachi – Shifted in approaching the 1200 metres. Jockey Balloo was shown the video replays of the early stages and advised that he should ensure he is clear of horses before shifting in.

Step To Fame – Approaching the 1200 metres steadied when inconvenienced close to the heels of **Al Mariachi**, which had shifted in. Vet report: Returned coughing. Scoped: Blood in the trachea.

Zud Wes – Near the 600 metres shifted in and bumped the running rail. Approaching the 300 metres, for some distance, was held up when unable to improve from behind **Malak El Moolook**.

Do Be Snappy – Leaving the 800 metres was taken out from behind **Malak El Moolook** and, in doing so, carried **Turbulent Air** wider on the track, with the latter racing wide from then onwards.

Malak El Moolook – Commenced awkwardly.

RACE 6 – THE MUA COLONEL DRAPER CUP – 1500M

Ten Gun Salute – Dwelt at the start, losing ground. Approaching the 1100 metres, when racing tightly, shifted out, bumping the hindquarters of **St Tropez**, which became unbalanced. Vet report: Lameness off hind.

Hard Day's Night – Approaching the 1100 metres steadied when **Argo Solo** shifted outwards and then rolled inwards, inconveniencing **Prince Of Thieves**.

Ready To Attack – Inconvenienced approaching the 1100 metres. Dipped at the 600 metres.

St Tropez – Bumped approaching the 1100 metres. Raced wide throughout.

Argo Solo – Passing the 1300 metres, when being steadied, threw its head and raced ungenerously for a short distance. Shortly after, commenced to over-race and shifted outwards, again throwing its head. Over-raced in the early and middle stages. Raced wide rounding the home turn.

Wild Horizon – Jockey Sooful was reminded of his obligations in relation to setting a reasonable pace and not to reduce the speed of his mount.

GENERAL

Approaching the 1200 metres **Ten Gun Salute** eased, getting its head up and shifted out, carrying **St Tropez** outwards. On inquiry, it was established that **Argo Solo** commenced to over-race and was taken out to avoid the heels of **Wild Horizon**. **Hard Day's Night**, which was following, had to be eased to avoid the heels of **Argo Solo** and dropped back onto **Prince Of Thieves** which steadied and shifted inwards onto **Ready To Attack**, which was inconvenienced. **Ten Gun Salute**, which was following, eased and got its head up and shifted outwards, bumping **St Tropez**, which became unbalanced. The Stewards proceeded no further other than to advise all riders to exercise care at all times.

RACE 7 – THE MUA STOCKBROKING CUP – 990M

Northern Rebel – Slow to begin.

Final Cup – When questioned regarding the performance of the gelding, jockey Nunes explained that in his opinion the gelding had not appreciated “backing up” after last week’s run and the heavy impost may have affected the gelding’s performance.

Glen Coco – Bumped at the start and slow into stride.

Ocean Drive South – Vet report: Lamé off fore.

Danger Rock – Fractious in the barrier prior to the start. On jumping, shifted outwards, bumping **Glen Coco**. Raced wide throughout and hung in in the home straight.

RACE 8 – THE RAM RUHEE OBE MEMORIAL CUP – 1850M

Uncle JB – Slow into stride. Was taken out leaving the 500 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

Captain's Command – Standing awkwardly in its gate prior to the start and was slow to begin. Bumped leaving the 250 metres. When questioned, jockey Ségeon explained that it was his intention to lead, however after missing the start he was placed back in the field and in his opinion this affected the performance of the gelding. Vet report: Returned distressed.

Hoppertunity – Over-raced in the early stages and near the 1650 metres threw its head on several occasions when being settled. Leaving the 250 metres was angled out to secure clear running and in doing so, bumped **Captain's Command**.

Ice Emperor – Slow to begin. Hung inwards in the straight.