



THE MAURITIUS TURF CLUB
CHAMP DE MARS – PORT LOUIS

INTERIM REPORT – SATURDAY 26 OCTOBER 2019

RACE 1 – THE HANDLERS CHALLENGE TROPHY – 1400M

The start was delayed when **Blue Jeans** had to be re-saddled behind the gates.

Seven Colours – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Was then taken across to race behind runners. Was switched to the outside of **Majestic Moon** from the 200 metres to continue going forward

Anza-Borrogo – Shortly after the start, jockey Bussunt lost the use of his near side stirrup which he regained passing the 1300 metres. In the early stages raced fiercely and, when being settled, got its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance. Hung in in the home straight.

Blue Jeans - Raced wide in the early stages.

Valerin – Slow to begin.

Majestic Moon – Approaching the 150 metres commenced to shift ground inwards.

Misty Roller - Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Was then taken across to race behind runners. Passing the 1300 metres was cramped for galloping room on the inside of **Anza-Borrogo**, had to be checked and lost its position. Leaving the 900 metres was taken out and allowed to improve its position. Raced wide from then onwards.

He's Got Gears – Hung in over the concluding stages.

Vintage Angel – Shortly after the start was taken across to race behind runners. Hung in in the home straight.

GENERAL

a) Trainer J. M. Henry signed an admission of guilt for a contravention of MTC Rule 47 (3) (d) in that as the trainer of **Seven Colours** he failed to have the necessary colours available as carded. He was fined Rs.5,000.

b) On inquiry, it was established that after jumping awkwardly **Valerin** was urged forward, shifted ground outwards and approaching the 1300 metres jockey Bussunt urged his mount forward to secure a position and, when being settled, **Anza-Borrogo** got its head up and shifted ground inwards, crowding **Misty Roller**, which was being urged forward to keep its position and had been carried outwards by **Valerin**. Jockey Bussunt (**Anza-Borrogo**) was severely reprimanded and advised to make more of an effort to prevent his mount from shifting ground in future.

RACE 2 – THE CHATTURGOON HURCHUND MEMORIAL TROPHY – 1450M

Acting on veterinary advice that **Well Connected** was lame on its off hind leg, the Stewards ordered its withdrawal at 3.20 p.m. today. In view of this, all bets on **Well Connected** were ordered to be refunded and winning bets with bookmakers were paid less 12 cents per rupee, the average price of **Well Connected** being 57/10.

Secret Idea – Leaving the 900 metres raced tight on the inside of **Manetheren** and near the 750 metres had to be eased to avoid the heels of **Manetheren** when the latter was taken in.

Sky High Flyer – Inconvenienced near the 600 metres and was taken inwards. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

Mr Hardy – Slow to begin. Approaching the 450 metres attempted to improve on the outside of **The Jazz Singer**, ran out of room on the inside of **Manetheren** and was taken back inwards and, in doing so, inconvenienced **Sky High Flyer** which was following, with the latter having to be eased to avoid its heels.

Head Of The Pack, which was following **Sky High Flyer**, was also inconvenienced and taken out to avoid its heels.

Mark Tapley – Jumped awkwardly and shortly after the start was inconvenienced behind the heels of **Sandy Sport**.

Head Of The Pack – Inconvenienced passing the 600 metres.

Manetheren – Shortly after the start shifted ground inwards. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Sandy Sport – Approaching the 1200 metres was eased and taken in to take a position one off the rail behind **Sky High Flyer**. **Mark Tapley**, which was following, became inconvenienced when awkwardly placed close to its heels and had to be eased. Leaving the 1100 metres commenced to over-race. Leaving the 900 metres was taken out from behind **Sky High Flyer** to avoid its heels and raced wide from then onwards. Passing the 600 metres shifted in, resulting in **Sky High Flyer**, which was following, having to be taken inwards, inconveniencing **Head Of The Pack**.

Daredevil Aviator – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground outwards, making contact with **Manetheren**, then shifted back inwards, making contact with **Mark Tapley** and shortly after raced in restricted room between **Mark Tapley** and **Manetheren**, which had shifted ground inwards, clipped the heels of **Mark Tapley** and stumbled badly.

GENERAL

a) On inquiry into an incident passing the 1400 metres where Daredevil Aviator was carried in slightly and clipped the heels of **Mark Tapley**, apprentice Louis (**Manetheren**) was severely reprimanded and told to allow for more room to runners on his inside when shifting ground.

b) On inquiry, apprentice Louis (**Manetheren**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that near the 750 metres he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of **Secret Idea**, resulting in the latter having to be eased. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.

c) Passing the 450 metres jockey Juglall (**Mr Hardy**) attempted a run into a tight gap between **Manetheren** and **The Jazz Singer** with **Manetheren** pushing him back inwards with **Sky High Flyer**, which was following, being inconvenienced when racing close to its heels and having to be eased. After consideration, the Stewards decided not to proceed further other than to report it as a racing incident.

RACE 3 – THE HAVE MERCY CUP – 1650M

Consul Of War - Slow to begin. Crowded shortly after the start. Approaching the 700 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

Divine Connection – Leaving the 1000 metres commenced to over-race and was taken out to avoid the heels of **Alssakhra**, carrying **Nordic Chant** wider on the track. Leaving the 200 metres was switched to the outside of runners to secure clear running.

Nordic Chant – Carried outwards leaving the 1000 metres.

Paddingtons Luck – Jumped awkwardly, shifted ground inwards, bumping **Top Of The Rock**, which in turn shifted in, crowding **Consul Of War**. Leaving the 1300 metres shifted ground inwards, momentarily tightening **Alssakhra**. Vet report: Lameness off fore.

Alssakhra – Momentarily tightened leaving the 1300 metres.

Down Under – Slow to begin.

Top Of The Rock – Bumped on jumping, carried inwards.

Uncle JB – Slow to begin and was taken across to race behind runners.

RACE 4 – THE DAY TO REMEMBER CUP – 1450M

Due to a mishap from Assistant Trainer S. Gujadhur who wrongly declared his riders, the Stewards approved jockey B. Sooful as the rider of **Duke's Domain**, instead of jockey D. De Gouveia and jockey D. De Gouveia as the rider of **Turbulent Air** instead of jockey P. Horil.

The start was delayed when **Turbulent Air** was fractious in its gate.

Ovation Award – Jumped awkwardly shifted ground inwards and bumped **Silken Prince**, it was then taken across to race behind runners. Was switched to the inside of **Unbelievable Lad** approaching the 200 metres to secure clear running.

Vascostreettractor – Hung in in the home straight.

Unbelievable Lad – Vet: Cast off fore shoe.

Silken Prince – Hung in in the home straight.

Turbulent Air – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin.

Zodiac Jack – Stood flat-footed, losing considerable ground.

The Right Stuff – Raced fiercely in the early stages. Passing the 1000 metres was taken out to avoid the heels of **Unbelievable Lad**, carrying **St Tropez** wider on the track. Approaching the 800 metres, whilst still over-racing, was taken out from behind **Silken Prince** and allowed to stride forward to race closer to the lead. Raced wide from the 700 metres.

GENERAL

An inquiry into the handling of **Unbelievable Lad** was adjourned to Tuesday.

RACE 5 – THE CAPRI-SUN SUMMER CHALLENGE CUP – 1650M

Correct weight was withheld for the Stewards to consider an objection lodged by jockey Juglall, the rider of **Mambo Rock**, which was declared 4th, against **Declarator**, which was declared 3rd, alleging interference in the final straight. Evidence was taken from both riders, and assistant trainers S. Gujadhur and P. Seesurrun. It was established that passing the 200 metres, **Declarator** when being ridden with the whip in the left hand, commenced to shift ground inwards, carrying **Afdeek** inwards onto **Mambo Rock**, which was endeavouring to improve on the inside of **Afdeek**, with **Mambo Rock** running out of galloping room and having to be eased over approximately 4 strides. The Stewards, taking into consideration the margin of 1.70 lengths at the finish between these two horses and being of the opinion that despite the interference **Mambo Rock** would not have finished in front of **Declarator**, dismissed the objection and the correct weight was declared on the Judges' semaphored numbers.

Sir Bernadini – Leaving the 1300 metres steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Split The Breeze**, which had been taken inwards. **One Direction**, which was following, was also inconvenienced and had to be steadied to avoid the heels of **Sir Bernadini**.

Rap Attack – Slow to begin. Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Afdeek – Approaching the 300 metres for a short distance was held up when unable to improve into a tight gap between **Declarator** and **Potawatomi**. Leaving the 250 metres was switched to the inside of **Declarator** to secure clear running.

Mambo Rock – Ran out of galloping room passing the 200 metres and had to be eased.

Brilliant Crimson – Jumped awkwardly, dipped and was slow to begin. Shortly after was taken across to race behind runners. Approaching the 800 metres was carried out by **Rap Attack**, which was taken out to improve its position around runners. Raced wide from then onwards.

One Direction - Slow to begin. Inconvenienced leaving the 1300 metres.

Declarator – Passing the 200 metres, when being ridden with the whip in the left hand, shifted ground inwards, carrying **Afdeek** onto **Mambo Rock**, which was improving on its inside, resulting in **Mambo Rock** running out of galloping room and having to be eased and taken out to continue going forward.

GENERAL

On inquiry, jockey De Gouveia (**Declarator**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that passing the 200 metres he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in, carrying **Afdeek**, which was racing on his inside, inwards onto **Mambo Rock**, resulting in **Mambo Rock** running out of galloping room and having to be eased for approximately 4 strides. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting and fined Rs.25,000.

RACE 6 – LE GRAND PRIX CAPRI-SUN CHALLENGE TROPHEE – 1850M

Dawn Raid – Jumped awkwardly, brushed the right side of its and was slow to begin.

Wild Horizon – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Near the 250 metres was inconvenienced when racing tight on the inside of **Dawn Raid**. An inquiry into this incident will be held on Tuesday. Was not persevered with in the home straight.

Copper Force – Was not persevered with in the home straight. Vet report: Breathing noise.

Overshadow – Near the 250 metres was inconvenienced when racing tight on the inside of **Dawn Raid**.

Perplexing – Slow to begin. Near the 500 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn.

Tsitsikamma Dance – Passing the 1000 metres, when the pace slackened, had to be steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Copper Force**. **Overshadow**, which was following, was inconvenienced and had to be eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Tsitsikamma Dance**. Leaving the 450 metres was angled to the outside of **Wild Horizon** and inconvenienced **Inn A Million**, which was being carried outwards onto **Perplexing**, bumping the latter on its hindquarters with **Perplexing** becoming unbalanced over a short distance. An inquiry into this incident will be held on Tuesday.

Inn A Million – Near the 400 metres was inconvenienced and had to be steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Perplexing**, which had shifted in when improving.

RACE 7 – THE MALAYAN RACING ASSOCIATION CUP – 1500M

Acting on veterinary advice that **Cash Call** was lame, the Stewards ordered its withdrawal at 2.30 p.m. on Friday 25 October. In view of this, all bets on **Cash Call** were ordered to be refunded and betting with bookmakers was re-opened. With the withdrawal of **Cash Call**, emergency acceptor **Freddie Flint** became a runner and was ridden by jockey A. Aucharuz.

Northern Spy – Raced wide in the early stages. Raced wide from the 600 metres. Passing the 400 metres was taken out from behind **Barking Irons** and raced very wide rounding the home turn. Approaching the 150 metres commenced to shift in under pressure and passing the 100 metres, when improving on the outside of **Aspara** shifted ground inwards, crowding **Aspara** onto **Jet Path** with **Aspara** having to be severely checked, clipping its heels and stumbling. Vet report: Distressed after the race.

Why Wouldn't Yew – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Inconvenienced shortly after the start and shortly after, was taken inwards to race behind runners. Leaving the 800 metres commenced to over-race and was eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Northern Spy**.

Glitterrock – Slow to begin. Raced wide from approaching the 600 metres.

Aspara – Near the 100 metres ran out of galloping room on the inside of **Northern Spy**, was severely checked, clipped the heels of **Northern Spy** and stumbled badly. An inquiry into this incident will be held on Tuesday. Jockey Juglall dropped his whip near the 200 metres. Was not persevered with over the concluding stages.

Barking Irons – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

British Pound - Slow to begin. Approaching the 800 metres commenced to over-race and was taken out to avoid the heels of **Tyrian**, carrying **Northern Spy** outwards. **Northern Spy** was then taken back inwards, crowding **British Pound** onto **Tyrian**.

Jet Path – Inconvenienced leaving the 1300 metres and near the 100 metres.

Starsky – Approaching the 300 metres had to be checked to avoid the heels of **Tyrian**, which was taken in when insufficiently clear. An inquiry into this incident will be held on Tuesday.

Tyrian – Taken in passing the 300 metres.

Freddie Flint – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground outwards, inconveniencing **Why Wouldn't Yew**. An inquiry will be held on Tuesday into the change in the racing pattern of **Freddie Flint**.

RACE 8 – THE ZINOVIEFF PLATE – 1400M

Minaloushe Venture – threw its head up and was slow to begin. Approaching the 800 metres was taken out to improve around **Tyrandeus**. Hung in in the home straight and leaving the 150 metres brushed with **League Of Legends**, which had shifted outwards, with both horses then shifting ground inwards over the concluding stages.

Zigi Zagi Zugi – As the start was effected, threw its head, half-reared, was slow out, losing considerable ground. Was taken out to improve its position from leaving the 900 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

Icebreaker – Approaching the 1200 metres commenced to race fiercely. When questioned, jockey Sooful explained that he was instructed to jump and bounce to settle in a position just off the expected front runners, **Student Grant** and **Zigi Zagi Zugi**, he added that he jumped better than expected and when he urged his mount forward it started to race fiercely with him having great difficulty in settling his mount.

Northern Rebel – Slow to begin and shortly after was taken across to race behind runners.

Tyrandeus – Hung in in the home straight.

Phoenix Rising – Passing the 300 metres was taken out to improve its position and carried **Tyrandeus** and **Zigi Zagi Zugi** wider on the track. Hung in in the home straight.

League Of Legends – Leaving the 150 metres commenced to shift ground outwards and over the concluding stages shifted ground inwards.