## RACING STEWARDS' REPORT – SATURDAY 7 JULY 2018

Board of Racing Stewards: S. de Chalain (Chairman), P. Kalleechurn, H. Maigrot, S. Poonisamy, John

Zucal. Observer: G. Kishtoo

Weather: Fine (Gusty conditions for the first 3 races)

Track: Normal 2.8 Rail position: 2.25m

## RACE 1 – THE DHANKUWAR GUJADHUR CUP – 1600M

Blazing Heart – Bumped at the start and shifted out, crowding Spun Out, which then shifted out, bumping the hindquarters of St Arnault. Leaving the 1300 metres was taken out to avoid the heels of Line Of Sight and carried St Arnault wider on the track. Approaching the 400 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards. When questioned regarding its disappointing performance, jockey Fradd explained that he had expected a forward showing from the gelding today as it had worked well during the week. Further, he had experienced a good run throughout but when asked for an effort leaving the 400 metres, the gelding had been extremely disappointing and had not finished off the race. Vet report: No abnormality.

**Perplexing** – Hung in in the early part of the home straight. Leaving the 300 metres taken out to improve its position, racing wide rounding the home turn.

**Beretta Bobcat** – Leaving the 1300 metres inconvenienced and carried outwards. Carried outwards leaving the 100 metres by **Line of Sight**.

**St Arnault** – Bumped at the start. Carried wide leaving the 1300 metres. Was momentarily held up near the 350 metres when unable to improve from behind **Birds Eye View**, which was tiring. Hung in the early stages of the home straight. Leaving the 100 metres, shifted out and had to be straightened.

Halabaloo - Slow to begin.

**Starsky** – Shifted out on jumping, inconveniencing **Right To Tango**. In the early part of the home straight shifted outwards before being corrected by its rider.

**Line of Sight** – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out, bumping **Blazing Heart** onto **Spun Out**. Leaving the 100 metres commenced to shift out under pressure and carried **Beretta Bobcat**, which was improving on its outside, outwards. Jockey Ramsamy was shown the video replays of the final straight and told that he should straighten his mounts earlier than he did on this occasion.

Right To Tango – Slow to begin

**Spun Out** – Slow to begin, bumped and shifted out, bumping the hindquarter of **St Arnault**.

**Birds Eye View** – Commenced to give ground near the 350 metres.

# RACE 2 – LE DEFI TURF / TURF PLUS SOUVENIR TROPHY – 1365M

**Arctic Flyer** – Jumped inwards, inconveniencing **Roventas**. Approaching the 1100 metres commenced to over-race and threw its head for some distance when being settled. Was still over-racing passing the 600 metres and was taken out from behind **In Your Dreams**.

Criss Cross Man – Bumped near the 450 metres.

Captain My Captain – For some distance leaving the 1200 metres commenced to over-race and, when being settled, threw its head on several occasions. Shifted out passing the 450 metres, bumping Criss

**Cross Man** When questioned regarding its disappointing performance, jockey Fradd advised that he had been extremely disappointed with its performance and explained that after settling well in the early stages had been urged forward at the 500 metres and had raced in a "flat" manner. He added that at no time after the 500 metres did the gelding show any acceleration. Vet report: Scoped - Traces of blood in the trachea.

Roventas - Slow to begin and shifted in.

Golden Ball – Passing the 1300 metres momentarily tightened on the inside of Arctic Flyer.

**Prince Lateral** – Slow to begin.

**In Your Dreams** – Raced wide in the early stages.

### General

On inquiry, apprentice Louis (**Arctic Flyer**) pleaded guilty to a charge under the provisions of MTC Rule 160 A (f) for carelessly allowing his mount to shift in near the 1300 metres when insufficiently clear, crowding **Golden Ball**, resulting in the latter having to be eased. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.

On inquiry, apprentice Louis (**Arctic Flyer**) pleaded guilty to a charge under the provisions of MTC Rule 160 A (i) for failing to ride his mount out to the finish. He was fined Rs.15,000.

## **RACE 3 – EVENTS PLUS SOUVENIR TROPHY – 990M**

Riding Shotgun – Slow to begin. Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Chosen Path – Slow into stride. Carried in by Baron Bellet leaving the 200 metres.

**Seven Wood** – Raced wide from the 600 metres. Lay inwards over the final 200 metres.

Wall Tag - Slow into stride. Jockey Mullen dropped his whip near the 200 metres.

**Freddie Flint** – Hung out and raced wide from the 600 metres. Near the 250 metres was taken out from behind **Cool Water** to secure clear running, carrying **Valcar** wide.

**Gameloft** - Slow into stride. Passing the 100 metres was inconvenienced when **Chosen Path** shifted in.

**Baron Bellet** – From leaving the 200 metres commenced to shift in under pressure, resulting in **Chosen Path**, which was improving on its inside being carried inwards onto **Gameloft** with the latter running out of room near the 100 metres and having to be eased.

Valcar - Raced wide from the 600 metres. Carried outwards on the turn into the straight.

#### General

On inquiry, it was established that from leaving the 200 metres **Baron Bellet** commenced to shift in under pressure, carrying **Chosen Path**, which was endeavouring to improve into a tight gap between **Baron Bellet** and **Gameloft**. At the same time, **Wanted Man** shifted out under pressure, carrying **Gameloft** outwards onto the heels of **Chosen Path**, with **Gameloft** having to be restrained. After consideration, the Stewards advised jockeys Chisty (**Wanted Man**) and Poullis (**Baron Bellet**) that they should make every effort to keep their mounts straight and apprentice Allyhosain (**Chosen Path**) was told that he must make sure he has adequate racing room when attempting runs.

### RACE 4 – LE DEFI DEAL SOUVENIR TROPHY – 1400M

**Great Value** – Proved difficult to load and after being placed in its barrier, was extremely fractious. Trainer Mr. Ramapatee Gujadhur was advised that the gelding should perform a barrier test to the satisfaction of the Stewards before being allowed to race again. Vet report: Bled.

**The Right Road** – Fractious in the barrier prior to the start.

**Burg** – Hung out in the early stages of the home straight, carrying **The Right Road** outwards onto **Mutzi**. Near the 150 metres got struck over the head by the whip of jockey R. Fradd (**The Right Road**).

**Mutzi** – Taken out from leaving the 400 metres to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn. Leaving the 200 metres was taken to the inside of **The Right Road**, which had been carried outwards by **Burg**.

**Glorious Goodwood** – Fractious in the barrier prior to the start.

**Desert Fighter** – Slow to begin and, from its wide draw, was taken across to race behind runners. Passing the 1300 metres badly cramped for room on the inside of **Glorious Goodwood** and struck the running rail. Near the 1200 metres, for some distance, raced ungenerously, throwing its head. Vet report: Injury on right stifle.

**Northern Rebel** – Stood flat-footed, was slow to begin, losing considerable ground.

### General

On inquiry, jockey David (**Glorious Goodwood**) pleaded guilty to a charge under the provisions of MTC Rule 160 A (f) for carelessly allowing his mount to shift in near the 1300 metres when insufficiently clear, crowding **Desert Fighter**, which struck the rail. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.

On inquiry, trainer S. Narang was severely reprimanded under MTC Rule 81 (2) for failing to inform the Stewards of a variation of the tactics employed on **Burg**.

## RACE 5 - LE DEFI QUOTIDIEN / DEFI PLUS SOUVENIR TROPHY - 990M

**Al Mariachi** – Bumped at the start and shifted out. Near the 150 metres shifted out when being ridden with the whip with jockey David switching his whip to his left hand.

**Ideal Secret** – Slow to begin. Held up for a short distance leaving the 250 metres. Was taken to the inside of **Rogue Runner** approaching the 200 metres to secure clear running.

Moonlight Runner – Vet report: Bled.

**Answeringenesis** – Hung out in the early stages of the home straight.

Opera Royal - Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Rogue Runner – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out, bumping Al Mariachi, which shifted out, crowding Wavebreaker onto Moonlight Runner. Commenced to over-race near the 850 metres.

**Streetbouncer** – Slow into stride. Leaving the 250 metres was taken out from behind **Moonlight Runner** to secure clear running and raced wide rounding the home turn.

**Wavebreaker** – Slow to begin and tightened for room shortly after. Approaching the 800 metres commenced to over-race and had to steady and taken out to avoid the heels of **Al Mariachi**. Came off the crossing at the 800 metres awkwardly.

### General

On inquiry, trainer Maingard explained that **Ideal Secret** was having its first run in Mauritius over a distance unsuited to the gelding and was drawn at gate 1, having been slow on several occasions in South Africa, he instructed jockey Oliver to endeavour to take the best possible start, settle the gelding where comfortable and wait for the straight to ask it for an effort. Jockey Oliver confirmed these instructions and explained that after being slow out, he had to ask his mount for an effort in the early stages of the race in order to keep in touch with the field and in the straight had ridden the horse out, using the whip sparingly as, in his opinion, the gelding was giving its best and quickened nicely to make ground and finish 3<sup>rd</sup>. When questioned, trainer Maingard explained that according to the sectional times of the race he was of the opinion that this horse could not have run a better race and that he could not fault the ride of his jockey. After consideration, the Stewards decided not to proceed further.

## RACE 6 - THE Radio Plus 16th Anniversary Trophy - WINTER STAKES - 1850M

**Solar Star** – Raced wide in the early stages and leaving the 1300 metres was taken back to race behind runners.

One Cool Dude – Threw its head on jumping and shifted out, inconveniencing Our Emperor.

**Our Emperor** – Inconvenienced at start. Approaching the 250 metres was held up and on straightening was taken inwards to obtain clear running.

**Disco Al** – Slow to begin. Passing the 300 metres was taken outwards to go forward and made the turn into the straight wide.

**Dreamforest** – From near the 1650 metres, for some distance, threw its head when restrained to avoid the heels of **One Cool Dude**.

**M L Jet** – From its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners. Taken outwards passing the 450 metres and raced wide from there on.

### **RACE 7 – LE TELE PLUS SOUVENIR TROPHY – 1600M**

Jockey D. Bheekary was stood down by the Club's Medical Officer. The Stewards approved jockey R. Hoolash as the replacement rider for **Student Grant**.

**Biometric** – Taken out from approaching the 500 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

**Jullidar** – Slow to begin.

**Emblem Royale** – Passing the 1400 metres commenced to shift outwards. Leaving the 1100 metres commenced to hang outwards badly and ran off the course. Shortly after this, when struck with the whip, in an attempt to make the gelding run truly, refused to respond and took no interest in the race. Trainer Mr. C. Ramdin informed the Stewards that he will retire the gelding.

Overdose – Passing the 1500 metres shifted outwards away from **Emblem Royale** and bumped heavily with **Uncle JB** on its outside, which in turn shifted out, inconveniencing **Bear Hug**. Raced wide from the 450 metres. Apprentice Louis reported that the gelding had a tendency to lay out throughout.

**Uncle JB** - Shortly after the start raced tightly and bumped on several occasions with **Bear Hug** on its outside.

**Bear Hug** – Raced tightly shortly after the start, bumping with **Uncle JB**. Over-raced passing the 1300 metres, throwing it head. Hung in the early stages of the home straight.

Wing Man - Slow to begin.

### RACE 8 – THE BEVERLY HILLS PLATE – 1400M

Correct weight was withheld for the Stewards to view the video replays of the final straight and to consider an objection lodged by jockey Mullen, the rider of the 2<sup>nd</sup> place getter **First Crusade**, against **Captain Moss** (D.David) being declared the winner. After taking evidence from all parties concerned, viewing the films of this incident and acting on their own observations, the Stewards dismissed the objection and correct weight was declared on the Judges' semaphored numbers. The Stewards determined that passing the 100 metres **First Crusade** commenced to shift in under pressure and shortly after **Captain Moss** commenced to lay outwards with **First Crusade** being carried outwards. The Stewards were of the opinion that both horses contributed to the incident.

**A P Strike** – Slow to begin and shortly after carried out by **Red Line Captain** and bumped heavily with **Logan** on its hindquarter, unbalancing the latter. From approaching the 1100 metres commenced to overrace and was awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Artax**. Leaving the 1000 metres was allowed to stride forward and raced wide from then onwards. Vet report: Not striding out freely.

**Artax** – Bumped at the start by **Klopp**. Carried out near the 900 metres.

**Captain Moss** – Shifted out on jumping, carrying **Gstaad** outwards. From near the 150 metres commenced to shift in under pressure with jockey David switching his whip to his right hand. From passing the 100 metres then commenced to shift outwards. Jockey David was advised that he must make every effort to keep his mounts straight in future.

**First Crusade** – Approaching the 800 metres commenced to over-race and had to be taken out to avoid the heels of **Gstaad**. Approaching the 100 metres commenced to shift in under pressure, carrying **Gstaad** inwards. Leaving the 100 metres, when being ridden along with the whip, shifted inwards and had to be taken out away from the heels of **Captain Moss**, which was laying outwards. Jockey Mullen was advised that he must make every effort to keep his mounts straight in future.

**Gstaad** – Had to be re-saddled behind the barriers. Carried out by **Captain Moss** on jumping and bumped heavily with **Red Line Captain**. Leaving the 100 metres was contacted and carried in by **First Crusade**.

**Logan** – Was bumped on its hindquarter by **A P Strike** and turned sideways. Approaching the 900 metres was taken out to avoid the heels of **First Crusade** and carried **Artax** outwards onto **A P Strike**. Leaving the 800 metres had to be eased when awkward close to the heels of **First Crusade**, which had shifted out. Raced wide from the 450 metres.

**Midnight Oracle** – Jumped awkwardly, throwing its head.

**Red Line Captain** – Slow to begin and shortly after the start was bumped heavily by **Gstaad**, taken out and bumped with **A P Strike** with the latter being taken out onto **Logan**. Approaching the 800 metres, for some distance, commenced to over-race and had to be restrained when awkward close to the heels of **Logan**.

**Klopp** – Jumped outwards, bumping **Artax**. Raced wide in the early stages. Leaving the 200 metres, when being ridden with the whip, shifted out abruptly.

### General

On inquiry, jockey R. Mullen (**First Crusade**) was reprimanded under MTC Rule 160 A (d) for failing to take every possible step to prevent **First Crusade** from shifting inwards passing the 100 metres, carrying **Gstaad** inwards.

### **GENERAL**

a) Pre-race blood specimens were taken from all runners.

b) Routine post-race urine and blood specimens were taken for analysis from all winners and post-race blood specimen was taken for analysis from Captain My Captain (Race 2).

SUMMARY	
Suspensions	Race 2 – B. Louis (Arctic Flyer): 1 race meeting for careless riding
	Race 4 – D. David (Glorious Goodwood): 1 race meeting for careless riding (1300m)
Fine	Race 2 – B. Louis (Arctic Flyer): Rs.15,000 for failing to ride his mount out to the finish
Reprimands	Race 4 – Trainer S. Narang (Burg) Severely reprimanded for failing to inform Stewards of a variation of tactics employed
	<b>Race 8</b> – R. Mullen (First Crusade) for failing to take every possible step prevent his mount from shifting in (100m)
Vet Certificates	Race 4 – Great Value: Suspended 30 days
	Race 5 – Moonlight Runner: Suspended 30 days
Barrier Test	Race 4 – Great Value (fractious in the stall)

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