

RACING STEWARDS' REPORT – SATURDAY 27 APRIL 2019

Board of Racing Stewards: Messrs S. de Chalain (Chairman), M. Jones, P. Kalleechurn, H. Maigrot & Ms J. Keevy.

Weather: Partly Cloudy
Track: Good 2.8
Rail position: 2.75m

RACE 1 – THE YVON FELIX JEAN CHALLENGE CUP – 1450M

Ashfords Legacy – Slow into stride.

Chap Trap – Brushed with **Night Chapel** shortly after the start. Raced wide throughout. Leaving the 900 metres shifted in and was bumped on its hindquarter by **Nightingale Lane**.

Cyber Special – Jumped awkwardly and brushed **Nightingale Lane**. Approaching the 1300 metres was carried inwards and raced in restricted room. Leaving the 1300 metres had to be checked to avoid the heels of **Night Chapel**. Approaching the 200 metres was taken out from behind **Watch Me Dad** to secure clear running and, in doing so, inconvenienced **Nightingale Lane** on its outside.

Nightingale Lane – Slow to begin and shortly after shifted out, brushing **Cyber Special**. Raced in restricted room passing the 1300 metres. Approaching the 1200 metres was crowded for room on the inside of **Cyber Special**.

Watch Me Dad - Slow to begin. Was taken out from leaving the 500 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

League Of Legends – Raced fiercely for some distance passing the 1300 metres, throwing its head when being settled.

Majestic Moon - Hung in in the home straight.

New Golden Age – Slow to begin. Passing the 1300 metres was crowded for room on the inside of **Nightingale Lane**. Severely checked and stumbled passing the 1200 metres.

Night Chapel – Shifted in passing the 1300 metres.

GENERAL

a) On inquiry, jockey Hoolash (**Night Chapel**) was found guilty of a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that passing the 1300 metres he allowed his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of **Cyber Special**, resulting in the latter being cramped for galloping room, shifting in and crowding **Nightingale Lane** with both these horses having to be checked. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.

b) On inquiry it was established that following the incident passing the 1300 metres, jockey Hoolash (**Night Chapel**) took his mount outwards approaching the 1200 metres and came back inwards, resulting in **Cyber Special**, which was following, shying away and shifting inwards despite jockey Juglall's attempt to straighten it. **Nightingale Lane** on its inside then shied away from it and shifted inwards onto **New Golden Age**, which was insisting to secure the run on its inside with **New Golden Age** clipping its heels and stumbling. The Stewards, taking into consideration that **Cyber Special** shifted in of its own accord despite Juglall's attempt to straighten it and the fact that jockey Bussunt was insisting in a gap which was closing, decided not to proceed further other than to report it as a racing incident.

Result : 1st: **Jet Path**, 2nd: **Cyber Special**, 3rd: **Watch Me Dad**, 4th: **Majestic Moon**.

RACE 2 – THE RAOUL RIVET CUP – 1500M

Iron Wolf - Jumped awkwardly. Commenced to give ground from near the 400 metres. Carried out in the early stages of the home straight.

Chester's Wish - Approaching the 250 metres was taken out from behind **Le Clos** to secure clear running and, in doing so, carried **Iron Wolf** onto **Soldier's Code**. Jockey Bhaugerothee was shown the video replays of this incident, reprimanded and told that he should straighten his mounts in future.

Captain Moss – Raced wide in the early stages.

Phoenix Rising – Near the 200 metres was switched to the inside of **Texas Sky** to obtain clear running.

Soldier's Code – Slow to begin. Leaving the 1400 metres commenced to over-race and had to be taken out to avoid the heels of **Phoenix Rising**. Taken wide to improve approaching the 400 metres and raced wide from then onwards. Hung in in the home straight.

Space Agent – Carried wide leaving the 900 metres. Commenced to give ground from the 500 metres.

Xanthus – Approaching the 450 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn.

Le Clos – Near the 700 metres, when the pace slackened, had to be restrained when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Texas Sky**.

Result : 1st: **Texas Sky**, 2nd: **Chester's Wish**, 3rd: **Phoenix Rising**, 4th: **Xanthus**.

RACE 3 – THE WEEK-END CHALLENGE CUP – 1500M

Rocketeer – Slow into stride.

Afdeek – On jumping shifted in, bumping **Mind Blowing**. Shortly after entering the home straight shifted out and bumped **Mind Blowing** with both horses becoming unbalanced over a short distance. Jockey Holland was shown the video replays of the incident and advised to allow enough room to horses on his inside. Hung out in the home straight.

Bonjour Baby – Raced wide throughout.

Midnight Messenger – Jumped awkwardly and shifted in, crowding **Southern Sun** onto **Rocketeer**. Commenced to give ground from approaching the 450 metres.

Mind Blowing – Approaching the 1300 metres momentarily raced tight on the inside of **Afdeek**. Passing the 450 metres was taken out to improve its position, carrying **Midnight Messenger** wider on the track.

In The Loop – Stood flat-footed, losing considerable ground.

Southern Sun – Fractious in its gate prior to the start. Crowded for room shortly after the start.

GENERAL

a) On inquiry, it was established that approaching the 1300 metres **Midnight Messenger** was taken inwards when sufficiently clear from **Charles My Boy** with the latter, which was racing in restricted room, shying away and shifting in onto **Southern Sun**. **Southern Sun** then bumped **Charles My Boy's** hindquarter with the latter being turned sideways and shifting in further, resulting in **Southern Sun** running out of galloping room and having to be checked. As such, the Stewards decided not to proceed further but to report the matter as a racing incident.

b) On inquiry, jockey Holland (**Afdeek**) explained that shortly after entering the home straight he felt that **Afdeek** had a tendency to lay out and decided to switch his whip to his left hand in order to correct the gelding, at the same time **Afdeek** shifted out quickly and bumped with **Mind Blowing**, becoming unbalanced. He added that, when asked for an effort, the gelding shifted out towards **Mind Blowing** with him putting his whip away before there was contact between **Afdeek** and **Mind Blowing**. After consideration, the Stewards decided not to proceed further other than severely reprimanding jockey Holland and telling him that he should make every effort in future to keep his mounts straight.

Result : 1st: **Mind Blowing**, 2nd: **Afdeek**, 3rd: **Gameloft**, 4th: **Southern Sun**.

RACE 4 – THE BEGUINOT TURF MAGAZINE SOUVENIR CUP – 1400M

Arctic Flyer - Leaving the 1100 metres got its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance.

Streetbouncer – Raced wide in the early stages.

Heart Of Darkness – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Near the 300 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn.

Zodiac Jack – Slow to begin.

Memphis Mafia – From its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners. Leaving the 250 metres was switched to the inside of **Dollar Tractor** to secure clear running.

Borya – Hung in in the home straight.

Dollar Tractor – Slow to begin. Near the 1100 metres commenced to over-race and was taken out to avoid the heels of **Flower Blue**.

Zen Master – Raced wide throughout.

Result : 1st: **Borya**, 2nd: **In Your Dreams**, 3rd: **Zodiac Jack**, 4th: **Dollar Tractor**.

RACE 5 – THE WEEK END SCOPE CHALLENGE CUP – 1600M

Acting on veterinary advice that **Euroklidon** was lame on its near fore leg, the Stewards ordered its withdrawal prior to the start. In view of this, all bets on **Euroklidon** were ordered to be refunded and winning bets with bookmakers were paid less 3 cents per rupee, the average price of **Euroklidon** being 24-1.

Bad Attitude – Fly-jumped at the start and was slow to begin.

Burg – Slow to begin. Approaching the 200 metres was switched to the inside of **Tower Of Wisdom** to obtain a clear run.

Tower Of Wisdom – Hung in over the concluding stages. When questioned with regard to its poor performance, jockey Juglall explained that he was instructed to endeavour to secure a forward position and to decide from then on. He added that, after jumping well, he managed to secure a position just behind the leader and from then on his mount raced in a relaxed manner until the 600 metres where he dropped the bit and, when asked for an effort near the 400 metres, failed to quicken, being extremely disappointing.

Down Under – Slow to begin. Over-raced in the early and middle stages. Hung in in the home straight and near the 100 metres had to be taken out when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **West Coast Warrior**. Vet report: Lameness off fore.

Result : 1st: **Yankeedoodledandy**, 2nd: **Bad Attitude**, 3rd: **West Coast Warrior**, 4th: **Burg**.

RACE 6 – Le Mauricien - LA COUPE DU CENT CINQUANTENAIRE – 1500M

Table Bay – Raced wide throughout.

Hard Day's Night – Raced wide in the early stages and from approaching the 1200 metres was allowed to stride forward to secure the lead.

Ten Gun Salute – Taken out to improve its position near the 450 metres, carrying **Table Bay** wider on the track.

Wild Horizon – Could not secure clear running in the early stages of the home straight and near the 75 metres was taken out from behind **Hard Day's Night** to continue going forward.

Our Emperor – Slow into stride. Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Seventh Plain – Was held up for some distance leaving the 300 metres when unable to improve from behind **Wild Horizon** and, in the early stages of the home turn, was switched to the inside to secure clear running.

Kazaar – Raced wide in the early and middle stages and raced fiercely from leaving the 1300 metres. Near the 1000 metres was allowed to stride forward to secure a position closer to the rail.

Result : 1st: **Nebula**, 2nd: **Baritone**, 3rd: **Karraar**, 4th: **Table Bay**.

RACE 7 – LE MAURICIEN CENTENARY SOUVENIR TROPHY – 990M

A P Strike – Shortly after the start, crowded for room and had to be taken out to avoid heels. Approaching the 300 metres was held up when unable to improve from behind **Badawee** and passing the 250 metres was taken in when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Badawee**.

Gordonstoun – Hesitated at the start. Was slow into stride. Crowded for room shortly after the start. Raced wide approaching the 400 metres.

Cape Horn - Raced wide from approaching the 400 metres.

Minaloushe Venture – Threw its head on jumping and shortly after was crowded for room between **Biometric** and **Gold Medalist**. Near the 100 metres was switched to the outside of **Seven Colours** to secure clear running.

World Dreamer – Jumped awkwardly and brushed the left side of its gate, when being urged forward, hung out despite its jockey’s attempt to straighten it, crowding **Gordonstoun** onto **A P Strike** with the latter having to be switched out to avoid the heels of **Badawee**. Hung out throughout. When questioned, jockey Allyhosain explained that from jumping this horse hung out tremendously and was very difficult to assist. He added that round the turn leaving the 600 metres, despite his best effort to endeavour to bring it back towards the rail, the gelding failed to respond and kept hanging out.

Biometric – Jumped awkwardly, shifted in and bumped with **Badawee**, then shifted back out, crowding **Minaloushe Venture**.

Seven Colours – Slow to begin.

GENERAL

On inquiry, jockey Nunes (**A P Strike**) explained that from leaving the 400 metres his mount commenced to travel and was awkwardly placed on the heels of **Badawee**. He added that leaving the 250 metres he found himself racing in restricted room between **Badawee** and **World Dreamer**. Shortly after entering the home straight, seeing that jockey Ramsamy (**Badawee**) had his whip in his left hand and had turned his horse’s head slightly inwards, he was apprehensive of improving on his inside as if ever **Badawee** shifted in, he could have clipped its heels, he then decided to angle his mount inwards to secure a run on the inside of **World Dreamer** and no sooner had he turned his horse’s head inwards, the gap opened up between **Badawee** and **World Dreamer**. He further added that he decided against switching his mount back out as there was a chance of him clipping the heels of **World Dreamer**. After consideration, his explanations were noted.

Result : 1st: **Cape Horn**, 2nd: **A P Strike**, 3rd: **Netflix**, 4th: **Gold Medalist**.

RACE 8 – THE MONASTIC CUP – 1500M

Bear Hug – Jumped awkwardly and shifted in, bumping **Hometown Hero** on its hindquarters.

Hometown Hero - Hung out in the early stages of the home straight and brushed **Napoli**.

Paddingtons Luck – Raced wide throughout.

Superstitious – Raced fiercely from leaving the 1300 metres. Commenced to give ground from leaving the 400 metres.

Eight Cities – Was taken out from behind **Greatfiveeight** from the 500 metres to improve its position.

Napoli - Hung in in the home straight. Held up when unable to improve from behind **Hometown Hero** near the 300 metres for some distance.

Mambo – Carried wide by **Eight Cities** from the 500 metres.

Man From Seattle – Stood flat-footed, losing significant ground at the start.

Risky Rambo – Slow to begin. Approaching the 300 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide entering the home straight.

Result : 1st: **Greatfiveeight**, 2nd: **Napoli**, 3rd: **Eight Cities**, 4th: **Mambo**.

GENERAL

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

b) Routine post-race urine and blood specimens were taken for analysis from all winners and from Soldier’s Code (Race 2), Dollar Tractor (Race 4), Tower Of Wisdom (Race 5) and Badawee (Race 7).

SUMMARY	
Suspension	Race 1: R. Hoolash (Night Chapel): 1 race meeting for careless riding (1300m)

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