

RACING STEWARDS' REPORT – SATURDAY 25 MAY 2019

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

Weather: Fine
Track: Good 2.8
Rail position: 0.75m

RACE 1 – THE ZILLAH CUP – 1400M

Anza-Borrego – Stood flat footed and was slow to begin. Urged forward in the early stages. Leaving the 1300 metres commenced to over-race and had to be restrained when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Seven Colours**. Following this incident, continued to over-race, getting its head up leaving the 1100 metres and racing ungenerously for some distance. Was taken out from the 400 metres to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

Big Smoke – Stood flat footed, losing considerable ground at the start.

Seven Colours – Leaving the 900 metres, when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Risky Rambo**, shifted in and bumped **Radlet**. Passing the 300 metres was taken out to improve around **Risky Rambo** and, in doing so, carried **Anza-Borrego** wider on the track.

Radlet – Passing the 300 metres, for some distance, was held up when unable to improve from behind **Indian Tractor**. Near the 150 metres was taken out from behind **Risky Rambo**, which had shifted in, to continue going forward.

Logan – From its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners. Failed to secure clear running in the home straight and could not be properly tested. Leaving the 100 metres was taken out from behind **Indian Tractor** to continue going forward.

Risky Rambo – Raced wide in the early stages. In the early stages of the home straight shifted in under pressure. Jockey Balloo was shown the video replays of the home straight, issued with a reprimand and told that he should straighten his mounts when they shift ground in future.

Polar Rock – Jumped awkwardly, brushed the left side of its gate and was slow to begin. Momentarily crowded leaving the 1300 metres. From near the 1100 metres commenced to over-race and, when being settled, got its head up and raced ungenerously. Near the 600 metres, when still over-racing, had to be steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Anza-Borrego**.

GENERAL

On inquiry, jockey Bussunt (**Valerin**) pleaded guilty to a breach of MTC Rule 160 A (h) for using his whip in an excessive manner in that he whipped his mount on about 14 consecutive occasions over the last 75 metres. He was fined Rs.5,000.

Result: 1st: **Charles My Boy**, 2nd: **Valerin**, 3rd: **Anza-Borrego**, 4th: **Radlet**

RACE 2 – THE DR. J. EDOUARD BRUNEL CUP – 990M

Final Cup – Vet report: Bled heavily. Upon veterinary advice, the Stewards informed trainer A. Sewdyaal that this gelding has been suspended for 60 days.

Cape Horn – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out, bumping **Silken Prince**. From near the 350 metres became awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Final Cup**, which had commenced to give ground and shifted in.

Carlas Mambo – Slow to begin. Brushed shortly after the start.

Freddie Flint – Stumbled badly at the start. Was taken out from leaving the 450 metres to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

Silken Prince – Slow to begin. Bumped shortly after the start. Near the 250 metres was angled outwards to improve its position and carried **Midnight Messenger** onto **Freddie Flint**.

Danger Rock – Approaching the 450 metres shifted in momentarily, resulting in **Respectable Rock** on its inside becoming inconvenienced. Jockey Strydom was shown the video replays of the incident and told that he should exercise care at all times. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

Respectable Rock – Fractious in its gate prior to the start. Jumped inwards, brushing **Carlas Mambo**. Passing the 300 metres was cramped for room on the inside of **Cape Horn**.

GENERAL

On inquiry, it was established that passing the 400 metres **Danger Rock** was taken inwards towards the rail. **Final Cup**, which was racing on its outside and which had commenced to give ground, rolled in, resulting in **Cape Horn** becoming cramped for room on its inside and shifting inwards onto **Respectable Rock**, which became awkward, brushing the running rail and faltered. The Stewards, taking into consideration that **Final Cup**, which was found to have bled profusely and was swaying with jockey Bardottier having difficulty in properly controlling his mount, decided not to proceed further other than to severely reprimand jockey Bardottier and tell him that in future he is to make every effort to ensure that his mounts do not interfere with other runners.

Result: 1st: **Danger Rock**, 2nd: **Silken Prince**, 3rd: **Freddie Flint**, 4th: **Rob Roy**

RACE 3 – THE EDME GAUTHIER CUP – 1600M

Avail – Slow into stride. Was taken out from the 450 metres to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

Nordic Chant – Leaving the 900 metres, when the pace slackened, was urged forward to improve around **Mind Blowing**. At the same time **Mind Blowing** was taken out from behind **Emaar**, resulting in **Nordic Chant** being carried in a 3-wide position. Raced wide from then onwards.

Charleston Hero – Stood flat-footed and was slow to begin. Passing the 150 metres was switched into a tight gap on the outside of **Memphis Mafia** to improve its position with the latter becoming inconvenienced.

Silver Sails – Was taken out from the 400 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

Black Indy – Raced ungenerously in the early stages, throwing its head when settled near the 1300 metres.

Melson – Slow to begin and, from its wide draw, was taken across to race behind runners.

Result: 1st: **Charleston Hero**, 2nd: **Mind Blowing**, 3rd: **Nordic Chant**, 4th: **Emaar**

RACE 4 – THE RENE MAINGARD CUP – 1400M

The start was delayed when **Rob's Jewel** was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and passed fit to race.

Rob's Jewel - Stumbled shortly after the start. Passing the 1365 metres was taken to the inside and forced its way into a tight gap between **Mambo Rock** and **Ouzo**. Near the 1250 metres was slightly cramped for room when **Ouzo** shifted in. Vet report: Not striding out after the race.

Ice Run – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin.

Racing For Fun – Carried outwards in the early stages of the home straight and passing the 100 metres had to be switched to the inside of **Wall Tag** to continue going forward.

Bonnie Prince – Carried out onto **Ouzo** near the 800 metres, inconveniencing the latter. Vet report: Lost off fore shoe.

Ouzo – Raced wide throughout. Inconvenienced near the 800 metres. Entering the home straight had to be switched outwards to avoid the heels of **Mr Crumford** to secure clear running. Hung in in the home straight.

Mambo Rock – Leaving the 1000 metres got its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance.

Wall Tag – Near the 750 metres commenced to over-race and was taken out from behind **Ice Run**. Passing the 200 metres, when being ridden with the whip, shifted out, resulting in **Racing For Fun**, which was following, having to be taken outwards to continue going forward and, in doing so, carried **Bonnie Prince** outwards. Jockey David then switched his whip to his left hand. Jockey David was shown the video replays of the incident and told that in future he should make every attempt to ensure that his mounts do not shift ground.

Spring Man – Slow to begin and from its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners. Raced fiercely in the early stages and passing the 1200 metres was taken out to avoid the heels of **Mambo Rock** and, in doing so, carried **Rob's Jewel** wider on the track.

Mr Crumford – Near the 1200 metres, when over-racing, took an awkward stride when close to the heels of **Wall Tag**. Came off the crossing at the 1000 metres awkwardly. Leaving the 1000 metres commenced to over-race. Near the 850 metres, when **Bonnie Prince** improved on its outside, jockey Balloo had difficulty in restraining his mount and eventually switched it out to avoid the heels of **Wall Tag**, in doing so, bumped with **Bonnie Prince**, carrying the latter outwards onto **Ouzo** with the latter being inconvenienced. Leaving the 800 metres was allowed to improve its position and when improving on the outside of **Wall Tag** the latter commenced to over-race, was then taken out from behind **Ice Run** to avoid its heels and, in doing so, carried **Mr Crumford** in a 3-wide position with **Mr Crumford** racing wide from then onwards.

Result: 1st: **Wall Tag**, 2nd: **Mambo Rock**, 3rd: **Racing For Fun**, 4th: **Ouzo**

RACE 5 – THE PONDICHERY CUP – 990M

The Stewards approved jockey B. Louis as the replacement rider for jockey Bardottier on **Lickerio** since jockey Bardottier was unable to ride at 56.5 kg.

Big Mistake – Jumped outwards. Raced tight shortly after the start and was carried inwards shortly after. Raced momentarily tight passing the 450 metres.

Purple Tractor – Near the 950 metres bumped on its hindquarter, becoming unbalanced.

The Tripster – Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Zud Wes – Slow to begin. Brushed the running rail near the 600 metres. Near the 300 metres was held up when unable to improve from behind **The Tripster**. Leaving the 200 metres was momentarily tightened for room on the inside of **Big Mistake**. Vet report: Lameness off fore.

Wavebreaker – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Lickerio – Shifted in shortly after jumping, resulting in **Trap Lord** and **Maxamore** racing tight on its inside with **Maxamore** shifting inwards onto **Big Mistake** and the latter bumping **Purple Tractor** on its hindquarter, unbalancing it. Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Trap Lord – Raced tight on the inside of **Lickerio** shortly after the start. Leaving the 900 metres raced in restricted room on the inside of **Lickerio** for a short distance. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

Barrack Street – Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Maxamore - Raced tight shortly after the start and carried inwards onto **Big Mistake**. Leaving the 200 metres, when being ridden with the whip, shifted out, brushing **Barrack Street**. Jockey Juglall was shown the video replays of the incident, severely reprimanded and told that he should make every effort to straighten his mounts earlier than he did on this occasion.

GENERAL

a) Jockey Bardottier pleaded guilty to a breach of MTC Rule 111 (3) in that he accepted the ride on **Lickerio** which was handicapped at 56 kg, where he was unable to weigh out at the allocated weight. He was fined Rs.5,000.

b) Jockey Zechner (**Trap Lord**) was reprimanded for cantering down to the start the wrong way.

Result: 1st: **Barrack Street**, 2nd: **Maxamore**, 3rd: **Lickerio**, 4th: **Noah's Ark**

RACE 6 – The Goldfinger Jewels – TROPHEE DU BICENTENAIRE DU MTC – 1500M

Baritone – Slow to begin.

Table Bay – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out.

Hard Day's Night – Saddle slipped backwards. Raced wide in the early stages.

Ten Gun Salute – Hung in in the home straight.

Dawn Raid – Approaching the 1300 metres raced momentarily tight on the inside of **Table Bay**, shifted in, crowding **Hard Day's Night**. Raced wide throughout.

Our Emperor – Slow to begin.

Wild Horizon – When being ridden with the whip in the early stages, shifted out. Near the 250 metres, when being ridden with the whip, shifted out abruptly and raced very wide into the home straight.

The Thinker - Slow to begin.

Result: 1st: **Cool At Heart**, 2nd: **Ten Gun Salute**, 3rd: **Table Bay**, 4th: **Our Emperor**

RACE 7 – THE SHARP PIP CUP– 1400M

After being boxed **Got To Fly** became fractious and reared, dislodging apprentice Louis. Shortly after **Mr Bombastic** became fractious and also reared with jockey Holland's leg being caught between the horse and the starting gate with both apprentice Louis and jockey Holland getting injured. Both horses were withdrawn with all the other horses being unboxed and loaded again. In view of these withdrawals, all bets on **Got To Fly** and **Bombastic** were ordered to be refunded and winning bets with bookmakers were paid less 5 cents per rupee, the average price of **Mr Bombastic** being 15-1 and **Got To Fly** 98-1.

Trainers J M Henry and H Maingard were told that **Got To Fly** and **Mr Bombastic** have been suspended and should pass a barrier test to the satisfaction of the Stewards before being allowed to race again.

Play Another Tune – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out. Approaching the 300 metres was taken out from behind **Badawee** and carried **Fury** wider on the track.

Fury – At the 600 metres got its head to the side and shifted in, crowding **Play Another Tune**.

Greatfiveeight – Raced wide in the early stages.

Soldier's Code – Slow to begin.

Mr Vengeance – Jumped outwards. Near the 200 metres was taken to the inside of **The Barrister** to continue going forward.

Result: 1st: **Play Another Tune**, 2nd: **Badawee**, 3rd: **Greatfiveeight**, 4th: **Fury**

RACE 8 – THE GREAT GUSTO PLATE – 1450M

Due to personal matters, jockey N. Marday was unable to fulfill his riding engagement today. The Stewards approved jockey B. Louis as the replacement rider on **Cool Water**.

Due to injuries sustained in the previous race, jockey Holland and apprentice Louis were stood down by the Club's Medical Officer. The Stewards approved the following replacement riders: jockey P. Horil on **Ashfords Legacy** and jockey A. Balloo on **Cool Water**.

Hometown Hero - Approaching the 200 metres shifted out away from the whip and was inconvenienced close to the heels of **Duffield**.

Watch Me Dad - Near the 150 metres, when switching his whip to his right hand, jockey Ségeon's whip momentarily got entangled in his rein.

New Golden Age – Slow to begin. Hung in in the home straight.

Plain Of Wisdom – Stood flat-footed and was slow to begin.

Red Indy – From its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners. Hung in over the concluding stages. Jockey Strydom dropped his whip leaving the 100 metres.

Ashfords Legacy – Near the 1100 metres steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Plain Of Wisdom**. Near the 200 metres was switched to the inside of **Hometown Hero** to obtain clear running.

Cool Water – When questioned, jockey Balloo explained that leaving the 1100 metres the saddle on **Cool Water** began to slip backwards and in the back straight he elected to keep his horse in a 3-wide position being apprehensive that his saddle would go back further and that he would interfere with other horses. He added that passing the 400 metres he did not persevere on the gelding.

Result: 1st: **Watch Me Dad**, 2nd: **Red Indy**, 3rd: **Mambo**, 4th: **Ashfords Legacy**

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 Cape Horn (Race 2), Memphis Mafia (Race 3), Baritone (Race 6) and Red Indy (Race 8).

SUMMARY	
Fines	Race 1: S. Bussunt (Valerin): Rs.5,000 for using his whip in an excessive manner (last 75m) Race 5: J. Bardottier (Lickerio): Rs.5,000 for accepting a ride when being over-weight

Reprimands	<p>Race 2: J. Bardottier (Final Cup): severely reprimanded and told to make sure that he does not interfere with other runners</p> <p>Race 5: a) N. Juglall (Maxamore): severely reprimanded and told to straighten his mounts (200m)</p> <p>b) K. Zechner (Trap Lord) for cantering to the start the wrong way.</p>
Vet Certificates	<p>Race 2: Final Cup: Bled heavily – Suspended 60 days Danger Rock: Bled – Suspended 30 days</p> <p>Race 5: Trap Lord: Bled – Suspended 30 days</p>
Barrier Test	Race 7: Got To Fly & Mr. Bombastic

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