

## RACING STEWARDS' REPORT – SATURDAY 1 JUNE 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: 1.75m

### RACE 1 – THE WINGED PHAROAH CUP – 1400M

**Hit the Green** – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Raced ungenerously leaving the 1300 metres for some distance.

**Inauguration** – Fractious in its gate, jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Leaving the 200 metres brushed with **Silver Rock**.

**Superstitious** – Was taken in near the 1300 metres and brushed with **Very Vary**. Jockey Gomez was shown the video replays of this incident and advised to exercise care in the future. Leaving the 100 metres shifted in under pressure. Jockey Gomez reported that his saddle slipped from the start. When questioned with regard to the improved performance of this gelding, trainer Sewdyaal explained that after having raced well at its first start in Mauritius he was expecting it to run well at its 2<sup>nd</sup> start but unfortunately it over-raced in the early stages, raced ungenerously and faded over the concluding stages. He added that the gelding had improved from then on and as such he expected a better run from it today, however he did not think it would beat the favorite.

**Very Vary** – Jumped inwards. Leaving the 1300 metres slightly inconvenienced when carried in by **Superstitious**. Leaving the 500 metres was taken out from behind **Superstitious** to improve its position. Commenced to give ground leaving the 300 metres and was not persevered with over the concluding stages. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

**Al Dangeur** – Slow to begin. Brushed the rails at the 600 metres.

**Majestic Moon** – Inconvenienced shortly after the start. Raced wide from the 450 metres.

**Silver Rock** – Half-reared and was slow to begin, losing considerable ground. It was then taken across to race behind runners. Raced wide from near the 450 metres. Hung in in the home straight. Near the 200 metres was switched to the inside of **Very Vary** to secure clear running and over the concluding stages switched to the outside of **Hit the Green** to continue going forward. Leaving the 200 metres brushed with **Inauguration**.

**Sir Capers** – Was taken out from leaving the 450 metres and raced very wide rounding the home turn.

**Romanus** – Jumped awkwardly and shifted in. Taken out from the 500 metres to improve its position and, in doing so, carried **Majestic Moon** wider on the track.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup>: **Superstitious**, 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Romanus**, 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Al Dangeur**, 4<sup>th</sup>: **Sir Capers**

### RACE 2 – THE JAYNAND PADARUTH MEMORIAL TROPHY – 1850M

**Hamaan** – From its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners. When questioned with regard to its poor performance, jockey Plaçais explained that from its wide draw he elected to settle his mount at the rear of the field and raced relaxed there. He added that entering the home straight he had difficulty in obtaining a clear run and, when asked for an effort, his mount failed to quicken and was disappointing. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

**Power Tower** – Shortly after the start, was cramped for room and carried outwards, bumping **Midnight Oracle**.

**Midnight Oracle** – Shifted out on jumping, bumping **Uncle JB**, then shifted inwards and bumped **Power Tower**. Following this incident, raced in restricted room for some distance. Near the 1000 metres, when the pace slackened was taken out and urged forward to secure the lead.

**Uncle JB** – Jumped inwards and shortly after carried outwards onto **Hamaan**. Raced wide in the middle stages. Near the 400 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn.

**Bypass** – Jumped awkwardly and stumbled. Was slow to begin. Apprentice Louis dropped his whip near the 300 metres.

**Melson** – Near the 700 metres commenced to over-race and had to ease when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Euroklidon**.

**Pop The Question** – Approaching the 1200 metres commenced to over-race and near the 1100 metres had to be eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Paddingtons Luck**.

**Kimberley** – When being urged forward shortly after the start, shifted out slightly and was bumped on its hindquarter by **Paddingtons Luck** and became unbalanced, then crowded **Paddingtons Luck** onto **Power Tower** with the latter being taken outwards onto **Midnight Oracle**. Jockey Ghunowa was shown the video replays of the incident and told that he should straighten his mounts when they shift ground. Commenced to give ground entering the home straight, was not persevered with and finished tailed off. Vet Report: Lameness off fore.

**Paddingtons Luck** – Brushed shortly after on jumping. Near the 100 metres shied away from the whip of jockey Sooful and shifted in abruptly, brushing **Melson**.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup>: **Uncle JB**, 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Midnight Oracle**, 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Paddingtons Luck**, 4<sup>th</sup>: **Bypass**

### RACE 3 – THE VILLIERS CUP – 1400M

**Rocketeer** – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin.

**Varside** – Inconvenienced leaving the 1200 metres and was steadied. Hung in over the final 200 metres.

**Ku Du Tu** – Leaving the 1300 metres was taken inwards.

**Manetheren** – Leaving the 1300 metres had to be switched to the outside to avoid the heels of **Ku Du Tu**, which had been taken in when insufficiently clear. **Varside**, which was following, was inconvenienced and had to be steadied to avoid its heels.

**Oh Behave** – Raced wide throughout.

**Patrol Officer** – Slow to begin. Came off the crossing at the 450 metres awkwardly. For some distance leaving the 400 metres was held up when unable to improve from behind **Sierra Redwood**. Leaving the 400 metres was taken out from behind **Sierra Redwood** to improve its position and carried **Flying George** wider on the track. In the early stages of the home straight was taken out to secure clear running. Over the last 150 metres commenced to shift in under pressure and over the concluding stages had to be switched to the inside of **Ku Du Tu** to continue going forward.

**Sandy Sport** – Stood awkwardly in its gate, jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Carried wide leaving the 450 metres. Jockey Balloo reported that he dropped his whip in the home straight.

**Flying George** – Raced wide in the middle stages. Leaving the 1100 metres commenced to over-race and was awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Oh Behave**.

**Sierra Redwood** – Jumped awkwardly, throwing its head. When racing in restricted room on the inside of **Ku Du Tu**, which had been taken inwards, had to be checked, threw its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance. From leaving the 450 metres commenced to give ground.

**Saracen King** – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Near the 600 metres was crowded for room on the inside of **Rocketeer**, had to be checked and lost its position. Taken out to improve its position from near the 450 metres, carrying **Sandy Sport** wider on the track.

### GENERAL

a) On inquiry, jockey David (**Ku Du Tu**) pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (d) in that he failed to take the necessary steps to ensure that he did not cross **Manetheren** near the 1300 metres, resulting in the latter having to go out to avoid its heels. He was fined Rs.20,000.

b) On inquiry, it was established that near the 1200 metres **Ku Du Tu** was taken inwards, with **Sierra Redwood**, which was racing fiercely, momentarily racing tight on its inside and having to be restrained. When restrained, **Sierra Redwood** got its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance. The Stewards, taking into consideration the racing manners of **Sierra Redwood** at that time, decided not to proceed with the inquiry but to report it as a racing incident. Jockey David (**Ku Du Tu**) was advised that he must ensure that he is clear of horses when shifting ground.

c) On inquiry, jockey Horil (**Rocketeer**) pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (f) for carelessly allowing his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of **Saracen King** near the 600 metres, resulting in the latter becoming cramped for galloping room and having to be checked. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup>: **Ku Du Tu**, 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Varside**, 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Patrol Officer**, 4<sup>th</sup>: **Manetheren**

#### **RACE 4 – THE COURTESY CUP – 1450M**

**Barak Lavan** - Raced wide in the early stages. Raced wide from the 1000 metres. Leaving the 100 metres commenced to shift out under pressure, resulting in **Blow In the Box** on its outside running out of galloping room and having to be eased to avoid its heels. **Blow In the Box** was then switched to its inside to continue going forward.

**Galtero** – Threw its head and was slow to begin. Raced fiercely in the middle stages. Near the 250 metres was steadied to avoid the heels of **Top Of The Rock**.

**Why Wouldn't Yew** – Jumped awkwardly, throwing its head and was slow to begin. Was then taken across to race behind runners.

**Gat Henshaw** – Slow to begin.

**Top Of The Rock** – In the early stages of the home straight was switched to the inside of **From The Ashes** to secure clear running.

**Zodiac Jack** – Slow to begin.

**Promissory** – Leaving the 1100 metres commenced to race fiercely and approaching the 1000 metres was taken out to avoid the heels of **From The Ashes** and carried **Barak Lavan** wider on the track with the latter racing wide from then onwards. Near the 100 metres had to be eased to avoid the heels of **From The Ashes**.

**From The Ashes** - Leaving the 200 metres commenced to shift ground under pressure. Near the 100 metres **Promissory**, which was racing on its outside, had to be eased to avoid its heels. Following that incident, it continued to shift out, inconveniencing **Barak Lavan** over the concluding stages.

**Blow In the Box** - Leaving the 100 metres was switched to the inside of **Barak Lavan** to continue going forward.

#### **GENERAL**

On inquiry, jockey Gomez (**From The Ashes**) was severely reprimanded under MTC Rule 160 A (d) for failing to take the necessary steps near the 100 metres to ensure that his mount did not cross **Promissory**.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup>: **From The Ashes**, 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Zodiac Jack**, 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Top Of The Rock**, 4<sup>th</sup>: **Barak Lavan**

#### **RACE 5 – THE CHICA CUP – 1650M**

**Bad Attitude** – Hung in over the concluding stages.

**Tower Of Wisdom** – Approaching the 600 metres raced in restricted room on the inside of **Kapteinspandiseile**, which had rolled inwards.

**Declarator** – For a short distance leaving the 350 metres raced in restricted room on the inside of **Charleston Hero**.

**West Coast Warrior** – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin.

**Alpha Pegasi** - Slow to begin.

**Charleston Hero** – Slow to begin. Passing the 450 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards. Hung in in the home straight.

**Malak El Moolook** – Threw its head on jumping and was taken across to race behind runners. Raced fiercely in the middle stages.

**Pride Rock** – Near the 450 metres shifted out, becoming momentarily awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Tower Of Wisdom**.

**Kapteinspandiseile** – Raced wide throughout.

**Southern Sun** - Jockey Chisty dropped his whip leaving the 100 metres.

#### **GENERAL**

On inquiry, it was established that near the 300 metres **Declarator** raced in restricted room when **Bad Attitude** was taken out from behind **Southern Sun** and at the same time **Charleston Hero**, which had improved on the outside of **Declarator** shifted in marginally, resulting in **Declarator** becoming momentarily crowded for room. After consideration, the Stewards decided not to proceed further other than to reprimand jockeys Nunes (**Bad Attitude**) and David (**Charleston Hero**) and advise them to exercise care at all times.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup>: **Bad Attitude**, 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Charleston Hero**, 3<sup>rd</sup>: **West Coast Warrior**, 4<sup>th</sup>: **Tower Of Wisdom**

### **RACE 6 – THE SWAN TOURS SOUVENIR TROPHY – 1400M**

**Seventh Plain** – Passing the 1300 metres ran out of room on the inside of **Chili Con Carne** and had to check. Over the concluding stages was taken out from behind **Chili Con Carne** to secure clear running.

**Split The Breeze** – Leaving the 300 metres, when attempting to improve into a tight gap between **Unbelievable Lad** and **Captain Swarovski**, shifted in and brushed **Sir Bernadini**, resulting in the latter being taken inwards onto the heels of **Captain Swarovski**.

**The Great One** – Stumbled leaving the stalls. Was taken out from the 500 metres and raced wide from then onwards. Leaving the 200 metres shifted in under pressure and brushed **Prince Of Thieves**, which had shifted out slightly.

**Prince Of Thieves** – Half-reared and was slow to begin. Brushed near the 200 metres.

**Captain Swarovski** – When questioned, jockey Bussunt explained that he was instructed to endeavour to secure a position in mid-field and improve from the 300 metres. He added that after jumping well he found himself racing further forward than expected with his mount tending to over-race in the early stages. He then elected to settle his mount on the hindquarters of the leader and waited for the 300 metres to make his move where his mount quickened in the early stages of the home straight before getting tired and hanging in. When further questioned, he explained that, in his opinion, the pace having been a regular one and, as per his instructions, it was the right decision to wait until the 300 metres to make his move.

**Chili Con Carne** – Passing the 1300 metres carried inwards by **Pera Palace**, which was being taken in when insufficiently clear. Hung in in the home straight. When questioned, jockey Strydom explained that he was instructed to endeavour to jump well, clear both horses on his inside and secure a position on the rail in the box seat. He added that after jumping well, he urged his mount forward and, passing the 1365 metres, he saw that **Pera Palace** was about  $\frac{3}{4}$  length in front of him, as such he elected to bring back his mount to secure the position on the rail behind it. When further questioned, he said that he could have carried **Pera Palace** further in the early stages but, taking into consideration that the other one was faster than him and that he would be able to secure the position behind him on the rail easily, he elected not to do so. He also said that from then onwards the pace was a regular one and entering the home straight his mount quickened for some distance before getting tired and, in the early stages of the home straight, he thought that he could catch the winner, however half way down the home straight his mount started to get tired and hung in.

**Sir Bernadini** – Slow to begin. Leaving the 200 metres carried inwards and had to ease to avoid the heels of **Captain Swarovski**.

**Tanjiro** – Passing the 1365 metres had to steady to avoid the heels of **Chili Con Carne**.

**Unbelievable Lad** – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out, bumping **Sir Bernadini**. Raced wide in the early and middle stages and raced fiercely throughout.

### **GENERAL**

a) On inquiry it was established that approaching the 1300 metres **Chili Con Carne**, which was hanging in, shied away from **Pera Palace**, which had improved on its outside and shifted in, resulting in **Seventh Plain**, which was racing on its inside and over-racing, running out of galloping room and having to be checked. As such, taking into consideration the circumstances, the Stewards decided not to proceed further but to record it as a racing incident, however jockey Strydom (**Chili Con Carne**) was advised that in future he is to make more of an effort to allow enough room to horses on his inside.

b) On inquiry, Assistant Trainer S. Gujadhur explained that he had instructed jockey Strydom (**Chili Con Carne**) to jump for the lead but if there was a horse showing more pace, to endeavour to secure a position just behind it and wait until the home straight to secure an inside run as **Chili Con Carne** is a horse that usually hangs in in its races. Jockey Strydom confirmed these instructions and explained that according to him, **Pera Palace** was the form horse considering its performance against **White River** in its previous start. He added that after jumping well, he found himself racing in a forward position, however **Pera Palace**, on his outside, proved quicker and that approaching the 1300 metres **Pera Palace** shifted inwards, resulting in his mount, which was inclined to hang in, shifting ground inwards, with him having to restrain his mount and correct the latter as he was crowding **Seventh Plain** on his inside. He added that from then onwards his mount raced relaxed, just behind the leader and when asked for an effort near the 300 metres, quickened in the early stages of the home straight despite hanging in and from near the 100 metres stayed one paced to secure second position. When questioned, jockey Strydom explained that he could probably have used his mount to make it harder

for **Pera Palace** to secure the lead, however bearing in mind his instructions and the fact that **Pera Palace** was already ½ length in front of him, he elected to settle his mount behind **Pera Palace** as it was the horse to beat in the race according to him. He added that in his opinion he had given his mount every chance considering the position he was in turning into the home straight and, if it was good enough, it would have won. Assistant Trainer S. Gujadhur concurred and added that, in his opinion, the best horse on the day won and that had jockey Strydom urged his mount forward in the early stages of the race, it probably would have been spent and not have finished 2<sup>nd</sup>. After consideration, the Stewards decided not to proceed further other than to tell jockey Strydom that he is to ride his horses so as to leave no room for query in future.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup>: **Pera Palace**, 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Chili Con Carne**, 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Seventh Plain**, 4<sup>th</sup>: **Prince Of Thieves**

#### **RACE 7 – THE ‘DEANAN’ DOYAL CUP – 1850M**

**In The Loop** – Stood flat footed and was slow to begin losing considerable ground. The Stewards informed trainer P. Merven that this gelding has been suspended until he passes a barrier test to their satisfaction. Was taken out from the 450 metres to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

**Jama** – Near the 350 metres was held up and had to be eased from behind **Star Of Kazan**, which was giving ground. Entering the home straight was disappointed for a run between **Chester’s Wish** and **Star Of Kazan** and was then switched to the outside of **Chester’s Wish** to continue going forward.

**Overdose** – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

**Star Of Kazan** – Commenced to give ground from approaching the 500 metres. When questioned, jockey Holland explained that from its good draw and, taking into consideration that there were no pace makers in the race, he urged his mount forward to obtain a forward position and found himself in the lead. He settled his mount there and from the 500 metres it commenced to give ground and, when urged forward, failed to respond, being disappointing.

**Kash Is King** – Slow to begin.

**Roman Emperor** – Slow into stride. Switched to the outside of **Chester’s Wish** passing the 300 metres.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup>: **Cyber Special**, 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Overdose**, 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Greenstreetractor**, 4<sup>th</sup>: **Jama**

#### **RACE 8 – THE CHICKADEE PLATE – 1500M**

Jockey P. Strydom was stood down by the Club’s Medical Officer after the running of race 6. The Stewards approved jockey Nunes as the replacement rider for **Captain Gone Wild**.

**All Abroad** – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. At the 150 metres came together with **Taranaki** and brushed.

**Bells Apostle** – Jumped outwards and bumped **Captain Gone Wild**. Passing the 1300 metres had to be steadied and switched to the outside to avoid the heels of **Captain Gone Wild**, which had been taken in when marginally clear. When being taken out, carried **Taranaki** out, inconveniencing the latter. Leaving the 1200 metres commenced to race fiercely and pulled itself to the front.

**Captain Gone Wild** – Hung out in the early stages of the home straight and hung in from near the 150 metres with jockey Nunes switching his whip to his right hand.

**Gold Medalist** – Slow to begin. Was taken out approaching the 450 metres and raced wide rounding the home turn.

**Kali’s Champ** – Could not secure clear running in the early stages of the home straight.

**Professional** – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin.

**Taranaki** – Jumped inwards and bumped **Captain Gone Wild**. Near the 1450 metres shifted in and brushed **Captain Gone Wild** with the latter becoming momentarily unbalanced. Carried outwards near the 1300 metres and was inconvenienced. Had to steady near the 600 metres when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Bells Apostle**. At the 150 metres came together with **All Abroad** and brushed.

**Dealer’s Charm** – Raced in restricted room near the 1300 metres.

#### **GENERAL**

On inquiry jockey David (**Dealer’s Charm**) pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (h) in that he used his whip in an excessive manner by striking his mount 12 times consecutively without giving the gelding enough time to respond over the final 75 metres. He was fined Rs.5,000.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup>: **Dealer’s Charm**, 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Captain Gone Wild**, 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Gold Medalist**, 4<sup>th</sup>: **Taranaki**

## **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 Romanus (Race 1), Blow In The Box (Race 4) and Xanthus (Race 7).

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Suspension</b>	<b>Race 3:</b> P. Horil (Rocketeer) – 1 race meeting for careless riding
<b>Fines</b>	<b>Race 3:</b> D. David (Ku Du Tu): Rs.20,000 for crossing (1300m) <b>Race 5:</b> D. David (Dealer's Charm): Rs.5,000 for using his whip in an excessive manner (last 75m)
<b>Reprimands</b>	<b>Race 4:</b> C. Gomez (From The Ashes): severely reprimanded for crossing (100m) <b>Race 5:</b> M. Nunes (Bad Attitude) & D. David (Charleston Hero) for interference (300m)
<b>Vet Certificates</b>	<b>Race 1:</b> Very Vary: Bled – Suspended 30 days <b>Race 2:</b> Hamaan: Bled – Suspended 30 days
<b>Barrier Test</b>	<b>Race 7:</b> In The Loop

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