

RACING STEWARDS' REPORT – SATURDAY 26 OCTOBER 2019

Board of Racing Stewards: Messrs S. de Chalain (Chairman), G. Kishtoo, H. Maigrot, A. Rousset & Ms J. Keevy.

Weather: Cloudy
Track: Good 2.8
Rail position: 4.50m

RACE 1 – THE HANDLERS CHALLENGE TROPHY – 1400M

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

Seven Colours – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Shortly after, was taken across to race behind runners. Passing the 1300 metres, inconvenienced and had to be taken out when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Misty Roller**.

Anza-Borrogo – Carried out on jumping. 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. Passing the 300 metres, was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn. Hung in in the home straight.

Blue Jeans - Raced wide in the early stages. Hung in in the home straight.

Valerin – Slow to begin.

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

Misty Roller - Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Shortly after, was taken across to race behind runners. Passing the 1300 metres, was cramped for galloping room on the inside of **Anza-Borrogo** and had to be checked, losing 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.

Mr Vengeance – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground outwards, crowding **Anza-Borrogo** onto **Blue Jeans**. Dipped passing the 600 metres. Was switched to the outside of **Majestic Moon** leaving the 200 metres to continue going forward.

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 (3d) in that he failed to have available the colours of the owners of **Seven Colours** 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 mounts from shifting ground in future.

Result: 1st: **Anza-Borrogo**, 2nd: **He's Got Gears**, 3rd: **Bells Apostle**, 4th: **Vintage Angel**

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 13h20. 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 when insufficiently clear. Leaving the 500 metres, taken out to avoid the heels of **Manetheren** and raced wide from then onwards.

Sky High Flyer – Inconvenienced near the 600 metres and was taken inwards. Inconvenienced and eased passing the 450 metres. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

Mr Hardy – Slow to begin. Approaching the 450 metres, when attempting 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. Shortly after, was inconvenienced behind the heels of **Sandy Sport**. Leaving the 400 metres, was taken out to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

Head Of The Pack – Inconvenienced passing the 600 metres. Passing the 450 metres, was inconvenienced and taken out to avoid the heels of **Sky High Flyer**.

Manetheren – Shifted ground inwards shortly after the start. Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Taken in near the 750 metres.

Sandy Sport – Approaching the 1200 metres, was eased and taken in to secure 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, it was established that when **Manetheren** commenced to shift ground inwards, **Daredevil Aviator**, which had a tendency to lay in, shied away from the latter and shifted in further onto the heels of **Mark Tapley**, clipped the latter's heels and stumbled badly. 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.

Result: 1st: **The Jazz Singer**, 2nd: **Mr Hardy**, 3rd: **Sandy Sport**, 4th: **Sky High Flyer**

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. Hung out in the home straight, with jockey Ramsamy switching his whip to his left hand passing the 100 metres. When questioned, trainer Henry explained that he was expecting **Alssakhra** or **Texas Sky** to lead in the first 200 metres. He was expecting **Divine**

Connection to settle in 3rd position on the rail. Jockey Ramsamy added that he did not want to chase the lead unnecessarily and when **Texas Sky** raced handy and crossed **Alssakhra** he elected to settle behind **Alssakhra**.

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**. Hung in in the home straight. 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.

Result: 1st: **Texas Sky**, 2nd: **Paddingtons Luck**, 3rd: **Divine Connection**, 4th: **The Grey Crusader**

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**. Shortly after, was then taken across to race behind runners. Was switched to the inside of **Unbelievable Lad** approaching the 200 metres to secure clear running.

St Tropez – Carried wide leaving the 1000 metres.

Vascostretractor – Hung in in the home straight.

Unbelievable Lad – Stumbled shortly after the start and threw its head up when being restrained passing the 1300 metres. Vet Report: 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

On inquiry into the handling of **Unbelievable Lad** in the early stages of the race, trainer A. Sewdyaal explained that he had instructed jockey Bardottier to jump well, endeavour to lead and settle his mount after the first 100 metres as this gelding has a tendency to over-race. He added that he had taken the blinkers off this gelding as it had pulled in its previous outing and not run well. Jockey Bardottier explained that after stumbling leaving the starting gates, he balanced his mount before insisting to lead. By this stage he had **Vascostretractor** improving on his inside and runners from the outside making up ground where he then elected to try and settle his mount on the rail in 3rd position. Passing the 1300 metres he stated that **Unbelievable Lad** commenced to throw its head and over-race when being restrained to maintain his position. The Board did not proceed any further.

Result: 1st: **Vascostretractor**, 2nd: **Duke's Domain**, 3rd: **Silken Prince**, 4th: **Ovation Award**

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. Seesurrin. 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 correct weight was declared on the Judges' semaphored numbers.

Sir Bernadini – Leaving the 1300 metres, was 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**.

Split The Breeze – Taken in leaving the 1300 metres. Jockey Bardottier was severely reprimanded and advised to ensure he is sufficiently clear of horses when shifting ground in future.

Rap Attack – Slow to begin. Approaching the 800 metres, was taken out to improve its position around runners and, in doing so, carried **Brilliant Crimson** out and brushed on several occasions. Raced wide from then onwards.

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

a) 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.

b) On inquiry, jockey Nunes (**Rap Attack**) was found guilty of a charge for the contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (d) in that passing the 800 metres he shifted his mount out and jostled **Brilliant Crimson** for several strides, making contact with the latter which became unbalanced. He was fined Rs.25,000.

Result: 1st: **Rap Attack**, 2nd: **Afdeek**, 3rd: **Declarator**, 4th: **Mambo Rock**

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

Dawn Raid – Jumped awkwardly, brushed the right side of its gate 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**. Was not persevered with in the home straight.

Copper Force – Was not persevered with in the home straight. Vet report: Breathing noise due to bilateral arythenoid chondritis, acting upon veterinary advice, this gelding is suspended from racing for a period of 30 days.

Overshadow – Inconvenienced and eased leaving the 1000 metres. 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. Leaving the 450 metres, was bumped on its hindquarters and became unbalanced over a short distance.

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.

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.

GENERAL

a) On inquiry, jockey Bardottier (**Tsitsikamma Dance**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that passing the 450 metres, he carelessly allowed his mount to shift out, carrying **Inn A Million**, which was racing on his outside, outwards onto **Perplexing**, resulting in the latter becoming unbalanced, shifting inwards and inconveniencing **Inn A Million** which was racing on his inside. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting and fined Rs.25,000.

b) On inquiry, jockey Horil (**Inn A Million**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that passing the 300 metres, he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in, resulting in runners on his inside becoming cramped for galloping room and having to be eased. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.

Result: 1st: **Perplexing**, 2nd: **Dawn Raid**, 3rd: **Tsitsikamma Dance**, 4th: **Overshadow**

RACE 7 – THE MALAYAN RACING ASSOCIATION CUP – 1500M

Acting on veterinary advice that **Cash Call** was lame, the Stewards ordered its withdrawal at 14h30 on Friday 25th 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**, the Emergency Acceptor **Freddie Flint** became a runner and was ridden by jockey G. D. Aucharuz.

The Stewards delayed the all-clear and considered requests from riders D. David (**Jet Path**), N. Juglall (**Aspara**) and K. Ghunowa (**Tyrian**) to watch replays of the home straight with a view to lodge an objection against the winner. It was established that leaving the 200 metres, **Northern Spy** commenced to shift ground inwards, carrying **Aspara** in onto **Jet Path**, which had commenced to shift ground outwards, resulting in **Aspara** brushing with **Jet Path** and shifting ground outwards onto **Northern Spy**, brushing **Northern Spy** on its hindquarter and unbalancing the latter, with **Northern Spy** shifting ground inwards and crowding **Aspara**, with **Aspara** having to be eased, clipping the heels of **Northern Spy** and stumbling. After viewing the replays, the riders did not proceed with an objection and correct weight was declared on the Judges' semaphored numbers.

Northern Spy – Raced wide in the early stages. Carried wide near the 800 metres. 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 the 600 metres.

Aspara – Jockey Juglall dropped his whip near the 200 metres. 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. 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, proved difficult to restrain 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**. Jockey Allyhosain was shown the video replays of the incident and advised to take more care when attempting to regain a position in the field after shifting outwards.

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.

Tyrian – Taken in passing the 300 metres.

Freddie Flint – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground outwards, inconveniencing **Why Wouldn't Yew**.

GENERAL

a) On inquiry, jockey Ghunowa (**Tyrian**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that passing the 300 metres, he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of **Starsky**,

resulting in the latter being checked off his heels. He was suspended from riding in one Mauritian race meeting.

b) On inquiry, jockey Allyhosain (**Northern Spy**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that approaching the 150 metres, he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in, carrying **Aspara** inwards, which was cramped for galloping room on his inside, having to be severely checked, clipping the heels of **Northern Spy** and stumbling. He was suspended from riding in races for two Mauritian race meetings.

c) On inquiry into the change in the racing pattern of **Freddie Flint**, trainer P. Merven explained that this gelding's best race in Mauritius had been in a fast pace race over 1365 metres where he was positioned 2nd and had finished in 3rd place. He further added that this gelding had shown that he could race handy and in this race over 1500 metres, he instructed his jockey to endeavor to lead. Taking into consideration that this gelding had only been under his care for 3 outings, he was reminded of his obligation to report any attempted change in tactics in future.

Result: 1st: **Northern Spy**, 2nd: **Tyrian**, 3rd: **Glitterrock**, 4th: **Jet Path**

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. Leaving the 900 metres, was taken out to improve its position, and raced wide from then onwards. Carried wide leaving the 300 metres.

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. Shortly after, was taken across to race behind runners.

Tyrandeus – Leaving the 700 metres, when **Minaloushe Venture** improved on its outside, shied away from the latter and shifted in, racing tight onto **Phoenix Rising**. Carried wide leaving the 300 metres. 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, brushing **Minaloushe Venture**, and over the concluding stages, shifted ground inwards.

GENERAL

Jockey Horil (**Minaloushe Venture**) was shown video replays of an incident leaving the 700 metres, severely reprimanded and advised to allow for sufficient room on the inside in future.

Result: 1st: **Minaloushe Venture**, 2nd: **League Of Legends**, 3rd: **Phoenix Rising**, 4th **Tyrandeus**

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 Bells Apostle (Race 1), The Grey Crusader (Race 3), Tsitsikamma Dance (Race 6) and Tyrian (Race 7).

c) Urine specimens were taken for analysis from the following riders: J. Allyhosain, R. Bheekary, D. David & B. Sooful.

SUMMARY – RM 32	
Fines	Race 1: Trainer J. H. Henry (Seven Colours): Rs.5,000 for not providing appropriate colours Race 5: M. Nunes (Rap Attack): Rs.25,000 for jostling (800m)
Suspensions	Race 2: B. Louis (Manetheren): 1 race meeting for careless riding (750m) Race 6: P. Horil (Inn A Million): 1 race meeting for careless riding (300m)

	<p>Race 7: a) K. Ghunowa (Tyrian): 1 race meeting for careless riding (300m) b) J. Allyhosain (Northern Spy): 2 race meetings for careless riding (150m)</p>
Suspensions & Fines	<p>Race 5: D. De Gouveia (Declarator): 1 race meeting & Rs.25,000 for careless riding (200m) Race 6: J. Bardottier (Tsitsikamma Dance): 1 race meeting & Rs.25,000 for careless riding (450m)</p>
Reprimands	<p>Race 1: S. Bussunt (Anza-Borrego): severely reprimanded and advised to make more of an effort to prevent his mounts from shifting ground n future (1300m). Race 2: B. Louis (Manetheren): severely reprimanded and told to allow for more room to runners on his inside when shifting ground (1400m). Race 8: P. Horil (Minaloushe Venture): severely reprimanded and advised to allow for sufficient room on the inside in future (700m)</p>
Vet Certificate	<p>Race 2: Sky High Flyer: Bled – Suspended 30 days Race 3: Paddingtons Luck: OVE Race 6: Copper Force: Breathing noise: Suspended 30 days</p>

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