RACING STEWARDS' REPORT – SATURDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2019

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

Weather: Partly cloudy
Track: Good 2.8
Rail position: True

RACE 1 - THE JACQUES VALLET CUP - 1850M

Fire Song – Fractious in its gate prior to the start being effected. Came off the crossing at the 1000 metres awkwardly, shifted out and brushed **Kimberley**. Hung out from the 450 metres and compounded in the home straight. Jockey Rama reported that the gelding commenced to give ground from the 450 metres, hung out, proving difficult to control and he did not persevere with it in the home straight. He added that his mount made a breathing noise at the pull up. Vet report: Breathing noise.

Napoli – Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

Street Byte – Approaching the 400 metres, for some distance, was held up when unable to improve from behind **Fire Song**, which was giving ground and approaching the 200 metres was switched to the outside of **Fire Song** to secure clear running. Vet report: Cast off fore shoe.

Chester's Wish – Threw its head at the start and was slow to begin. Leaving the 1400 metres, commenced to over-race. Raced wide throughout.

Gimme A Swinger – Slow to begin. When questioned with regard to its poor performance, jockey Bardottier explained that from draw 2, he managed to secure a good position in the field but the gelding started to race erratically, dropping the bit on a few occasions and, when asked for an effort, never quickened and was disappointing. In his opinion, the distance of 1850 metres might have been too far for its aptitudes at this stage of its racing career. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

Desert Thief - Slow to begin. Passing the 300 metres, for a short distance, was held up and had to be switched to the outside of **Street Byte** to continue going forward.

Star Of Kazan - From its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners.

Spun Out – Slow to begin. Raced fiercely in the early and middle stages.

Patrol Mission – Vet report: Lame off fore.

Result: 1st: Napoli, 2nd: Spun Out, 3rd: Chester's Wish, 4th: Star Of Kazan

RACE 2 - THE REYNOLDS COQUET CUP - 990M

Dunzie – Raced wide from the 600 metres.

Vision Of Trust - Jockey Teeha reported that his saddle slipped during the race.

Zenzero – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground outwards, crowding **Falkland** onto **Donnan**. Raced wide from the 600 metres. When questioned, jockey Nunes explained that it was his intention to race close to the leader, however his mount did not show enough speed for him to be able to cross horses on his inside, as such he got caught in a three-wide position approaching the 600 metres. He added that leaving

the 600 metres, for a short distance he raced in restricted room between **Dunzie** and **Mysterious Omen** and, when asked for an effort leaving the 300 metres, his mount failed to quicken, being disappointing.

Donnan – Half-reared on jumping and was slow to begin. Shortly after the start, was inconvenienced and carried outwards onto the heels of **Dunzie**. Passing the 200 metres was switched to the inside of **Dark Force** to secure clear running.

Mysterious Omen – Jumped awkwardly, brushed the right side of its gate and shifted ground inwards, crowding **Rock Spirit**. Jockey Ramsamy reported that his saddle slipped during the race.

Rock Spirit – Slow to begin. Inconvenienced shortly after the start.

Falkland – Inconvenienced at the start. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

Wolf Of Wallstreet – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

Result: 1st: Dark Force, 2nd: Donnan, 3rd: Vision Of Trust, 4th: Rock Spirit

RACE 3 - THE DYNAVENA-LADY RIDERS SOUVENIR CUP 2019 - 1600M

Kali's Champ – Near the 450 metres, shifted ground inwards, momentarily racing tight onto **Majestic Moon** on its inside.

Spin A Coin – Leaving the 500 metres, was taken out to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards. Passing the 200 metres, was switched to the inside of **Majestic Moon** to secure clear running, at the same time **Majestic Moon** shifted ground inwards, with **Spin A Coin** having to be taken out to continue going forward.

Bear Hug – Commenced to give ground from leaving the 450 metres.

Kash Is King – Jumped awkwardly, throwing its head and was slow to begin.

Middlemarch - Slow to begin.

Majestic Moon – Raced in restricted room for a short distance near the 450 metres. Leaving the 200 metres commenced to shift ground inwards, with Ms Cheyer switching her whip to her right hand.

Sea Pass – From its wide draw, was taken across to race behind runners. Was taken out to improve its position passing the 400 metres and raced wide from then onwards. Hung in in the home straight.

Result: 1st: Majestic Moon, 2nd: Kali's Champ, 3rd: Kash Is King, 4th: Spin A Coin

RACE 4 - THE SIR BEDE CLIFFORD CUP - 1500M

Taranaki – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin. Shortly after, raced in restricted room with **Memphis Mafia**. It was then taken across to secure a position along the rail. Raced fiercely in the early and middle stages. Near the 1250 metres, when over-racing, was taken out to avoid the heels of **Adamo** and carried **Newsman** outwards onto **Memphis Mafia**, with **Newsman** racing in restricted room. Passing the 450 metres, was taken out to improve its position and, in doing so, carried **Memphis Mafia** wider on the track. Raced wide into the home straight. Vet report: Cast off fore shoe.

Memphis Mafia – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground inwards, slightly inconveniencing **Taranaki**. Raced wide in the early stages. Carried wide passing the 450 metres.

Secret Idea – Raced wide in the early stages. Leaving the 1200 metres was allowed to stride forward to race next to the leader.

Inauguration – Leaving the 200 metres shifted ground inwards.

Newsman – Slow to begin and from its wide draw, was taken across to race behind runners. Near the 1200 metres, carried wide and raced in restricted room between **Memphis Mafia** and **Taranaki**.

Adamo – Fly-jumped. Leaving the 1300 metres, whilst racing fiercely, was eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Inauguration** and, when being eased, threw its head and raced ungenerously for some distance. **Taranaki**, which was following and racing fiercely, was taken out to avoid its heels, carrying **Newsman** outwards onto **Memphis Mafia**.

Slightly Scottish – Slow to begin. Leaving the 1200 metres, commenced to over-race, and when being settled, threw its head and raced ungenerously.

Lucky At Last – Approaching the 150 metres, was switched to the outside of **Inauguration** to continue going forward.

Result: 1st: Inauguration, 2nd: Duke's Domain, 3rd: Lucky At Last, 4th: Taranaki

RACE 5 - THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC TROPHY - 1850M

Correct weight was withheld for the Stewards to view the video replays of the final straight and consider an objection lodged by jockey Juglall, the rider of **Senalta**, being declared 5th, against **Eight Cities** (D.David), being declared 3rd, alleging interference in the final straight. It was established that approaching the 200 metres, **Eight Cities** commenced to shift ground outwards with jockey David using his whip in the right hand, resulting in **Senatla** being carried outwards onto **Consul Of War** and having to be eased and taken in to continue going forward. The Stewards, after considering the degree of interference suffered by Senalta together with the distance between these two horses at the finish, were satisfied that but for this interference, **Senatla** would have finished in front of **Eight Cities**, as such upheld the objection with the result being altered to read: 1st **Spring Man**, 2nd **One Direction**, 3rd **The Grey Crusader**, 4th **Senatla**, 5th **Eight Cities**.

Spring Man – Approaching the 300 metres, for some distance, was held up when unable to improve from behind **Texas Sky**.

Potawatomi – Raced fiercely in the early and middle stages. Leaving the 1600 metres, got its head up and shifted ground outwards, carrying **Consul Of War** wider on the track. Over the concluding stages raced in restricted room on the inside of **The Grey Crusader** and had to be eased.

Senatla – Near the 200 metres, had to be eased and taken in to continue going forward.

One Direction – Slow into stride. Passing the 300 metres, was switched outwards to avoid the heels of **Potawatomi**.

West Coast Warrior – From its wide draw, was taken across to race behind runners. Was taken out from leaving the 500 metres to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn. Vet report: Not striding out.

The Grey Crusader – Slow into stride.

Consul Of War – Inconvenienced and carried wide near the 1600 metres. Taken wide from the 400 metres.

Eight Cities – Passing the 200 metres, commenced to shift ground outwards under pressure, resulting in **Potawatomi**, which was improving on its outside, having to be eased and taken in to avoid its heels. Jockey David then shifted his whip to his left hand, with his mount commencing to shift ground inwards, resulting in **Consul Of War**, which was improving into to a gap between **Eight Cities** and **Senatla** running out of galloping room and having to be checked to avoid the heels of **Eight Cities**. Following this incident, **Eight Cities** continued to shift ground inwards and bumped **Senatla** close to the finish.

GENERAL

- a) On inquiry, jockey David (**Eight Cities**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that passing the 200 metres he carelessly allowed his mount to shift out when insufficiently clear of **Senatla**, resulting in **Senatla** having to be eased and taken in to avoid its heels. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.
- b) On inquiry, jockey David (**Eight Cities**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that from leaving the 150 metres, he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in, resulting in **Consul Of War**, which was racing on his inside, running out of galloping room near the 100 metres and having to be checked and taken out to avoid its heels. He was suspended from riding in races for two Mauritian race meetings, this suspension to run concurrently with the one incurred earlier.

Result: 1st: Spring Man, 2nd: One Direction, 3rd: The Grey Crusader, 4th: Senatla

RACE 6 - THE RAOUL HALBWACHS CUP - 1400M

Chili Con Carne – Leaving the 600 metres, had to be checked to avoid the heels of **Lickerio**, which shifted ground inwards when insufficiently clear. Hung in the home straight.

Lickerio – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground inwards, bumping **Chili Con Carne**. Raced wide in the early stages. Passing the 1200 metres, was carried further wide by **Chili Con Carne**. Leaving the 250 metres, shifted ground outwards, inconveniencing **Virtue**, which was improving on its outside.

Virtue – Leaving the 200 metres shifted ground inwards abruptly, resulting in **Lickerio** being carried inwards onto **Chili Con Carne**, which in turn shifted ground inwards onto **Arlingtons Revenge**, which was improving on its inside and had to be eased. Hung in badly over the concluding stages, proving difficult to be assisted. Vet report: Severely lame off fore.

Split The Breeze – Slow to begin. Shortly after, was taken across to race behind runners.

Mambo Rock – Slow to begin. Passing the 300 metres, was taken out to improve its position and raced wide entering the home straight. Hung in in the home straight.

Unbelievable Lad – Vet report: Lame off fore.

Arlingtons Revenge – Had to be re-saddled prior to the start. Jumped awkwardly, brushing the right side of its gate and was slow into stride. Leaving the 1000 metres, clipped the heels of **Unbelievable Lad.** Had to be eased leaving the 200 metres.

Silken Prince - Hung in in the home straight.

GENERAL

- a) On inquiry, jockey Ngwane (**Lickerio**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (j) for failing to ride to the satisfaction of the Stewards in that after having asked a big effort of his mount from the start, from leaving the 1300 metres, when there was an opportunity for him to ease his mount and settle the latter behind **Chili Con Carne** and **Virtue**, which were setting a good pace, he instead kept urging **Lickerio** forward, resulting in the latter covering unnecessary ground uphill, this being counter-productive to its chances. He was suspended from riding in races for three weeks.
- b) On inquiry, jockey Ngwane (**Lickerio**) pleaded guilty to a contravention of MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that passing the 600 metres he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of **Chili Con Carne**, resulting in the latter being cramped for galloping room and having to be checked. He was suspended from riding in races for one week, this suspension to run concurrently with the one incurred earlier.
- c) On inquiry, jockey Ngwane (**Lickerio**) was severely reprimanded for failing to ride his mount out to the finish.

Result: 1st: Silken Prince, 2nd: Mambo Rock, 3rd: Virtue, 4th: Split The Breeze

RACE 7 - THE MTC 175TH ANNIVERSARY CUP - 1850M

Nebula – From its wide draw, was taken across to race behind runners.

Opera Royal – Was switched to the inside of **Overshadow** to secure clear running entering the home straight.

Ideal Secret - Slow to begin.

GENERAL

Jockey Simons (**Overshadow**) signed an admission of guilt for contravening MTC Rule 111 in that he was unable to draw the correct weight of 54kg and was allowed to ride **Overshadow** at 54.5kg. He was fined Rs.5.000.

Result: 1st: Opera Royal, 2nd: Overshadow, 3rd: Ideal Secret, 4th: Dawn Raid

RACE 8 - THE PROFESSOR HASSAN RAFFA - 1500M

Till Dawn – Carried wide near the 1000 metres. Hung in in the home straight and near the 75 metres had to be taken out to avoid the heels of **Aspara**, which had shifted ground inwards.

Carlton Heights – Passing the 150 metres, commenced to shift ground outwards, resulting in Silver Heritage, which was endeavouring a run into a gap between Carlton Heights and Jet Path, being inconvenienced and having to be eased and taken out.

Aspara – Leaving the 1100 metres, commenced to over-race and passing the 1000 metres, was taken out to avoid the heels of **The Barrister** and, in doing so, carried **Till Dawn** wider on the track. Leaving the 100 metres, commenced to shift ground outwards with jockey Juglall switching his whip to his left hand.

River Thames – Leaving the 1100 metres, was steadied to avoid the heels of **Carlton Heights**, which was being taken in to secure a position on the rail.

Silver Heritage – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground inwards, bumping Till Dawn, which in turn shifted in and bumped Jet Path with the latter then bumping Aspara, which then shifted ground inwards and brushed The Barrister. Passing the 300 metres, for some distance, was unable to improve from behind River Thames. Leaving the 200 metres was switched to the inside of Jet Path to secure clear running and leaving the 100 metres, when attempting a run into a gap between Carlton Heights and Jet Path, ran out of galloping room and had to be eased when Carlton Heights shifted ground outwards.

The Barrister – Approaching the 400 metres, was taken out to improve its position, carrying **Till Dawn** wider on the track.

Result: 1st: Aspara, 2nd: Silver Heritage, 3rd: Till Dawn, 4th: Carlton Heights

RACE 9 - THE DERBY O'GILL PLATE - 1600M

Jockey G.D.Aucharuz was stood down by the Club's Medical Officer. The Stewards approved jockey K. Mudhoo as the replacement rider for **Lady's Knight**.

Bypass – Slow to begin. Passing the 600 metres shifted in, bumping the running rail. Came off the crossing at the 450 metres awkwardly and dipped.

Netflix – Knuckled on jumping. Momentarily tightened leaving the 1300 metres.

Man From Seattle – Shifted ground inwards momentarily passing the 1300 metres, tightening **Netflix**. Leaving the 450 metres, was taken out to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

Red Indy – Threw its head on jumping and was slow to begin. Thereafter, it was taken across to race behind runners. Was not persevered with over the concluding stages. Jockey Bussunt dropped his whip near the 100 metres.

Nightingale Lane – Slow into stride. Hung in the home straight and near the 100 metres had to be taken out when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Lady's Knight**, which had improved on its inside.

Result: 1st: Man From Seattle, 2nd: Volatile Energy, 3rd: Netflix, 4th: Lady's Knight

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 Zenzero (Race 2), Taranaki (Race 4), Dawn Raid (Race 7) and Carlton Heights (Race 8).
- c) Urine specimens were taken for analysis from the following riders: J. Allyhosain, B. Bhaugeerothee, N. Juglall & S. Rama.

SUMMARY – RM 34	
Fine	Race 7: R. Simons (Overshadow): Rs.5,000 for being unable to draw the carded weight of 54kg
Suspensions	Race 5: a) D. David (Eight Cities): 1 race meeting for careless riding (200m) b) D. David (Eight Cities): 2 race meetings for careless riding (150m)
	Race 6: a) E. Ngwane (Lickerio): 3 weeks for failing to ride to satisfaction of Stewards b) E. Ngwane (Lickerio): 1 week for careless riding (600m)
Reprimand	Race 6: E. Ngwane (Lickerio): severely reprimanded for failing to ride his mount out to the finish
Vet Certificates	Race 1: Fire Song: OVE Race 1: Gimme A Swinger) Race 2: Falkland

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