

RACING STEWARDS' REPORT – SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER 2019

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

Weather: Fine
Track: Good 2.8
Rail position: True

GENERAL

Prior to the start of the race meeting, jockeys Collett and Powell were examined by the Club's Doctor. Jockey Collett was found to be fit to ride whereas jockey Powell was stood down on medical grounds. Jockey Simons was stood down after the running of the first race due to an elbow injury.

The Stewards approved the following replacement riders for jockeys J. Powell, R. Simons and K. Ramsamy, who was stood down on Saturday 30 November:

Race 2: S. Rama on Black Indy and B. Sooful on Napoli

Race 4: B. Sooful on Ku Du Tu and S. Rama on Seattle Kid

Race 5: S. Rama on Paddingtons Luck and B. Sooful on Wordbuster

Race 6: S. Rama on Trip To The Sky

Race 7: S. Rama on Ten Gun Salute and B. Sooful on Overshadow

Race 9: S. Rama on Baron Bellet and B. Sooful on Pop The Question

N. Teeha: Greenstreettractor (Race 1), Moschino (Race 2), The Brass Bell (Race 4), Supreme Orator (Race 5), Table Bay (Race 7) and Master Of Spain (Race 8)

RACE 1 – THE BONNY AIR TRAVEL TROPHY – 1650M

Acting on veterinary advice that **Blazing Heart** was lame on its near fore leg, the Stewards ordered its withdrawal at noon today. In view of this, all bets on **Blazing Heart** were ordered to be refunded and betting with bookmakers was re-opened.

Redwood Valley – From its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners. Passing the 400 metres was taken out to improve its position and near the 300 metres had to steady to avoid the heels of **Sir Capers**, which had shifted ground inwards.

The Barrister - When questioned, jockey Simons explained that he was instructed to endeavour to make this gelding jump and to get it in the race as it usually loses interest and drops back. He added that he did not realize how far he and his stable companion were in front of the rest of the field passing the 1300 metres. Trainer Narang confirmed the instructions and explained that even if in his opinion jockey Simons might have made too much use of his horse in the early stages, he could not fault the ride as this was **The Barrister's** best race in Mauritius.

Xanthus - Slow to begin. Commenced to give ground from the 500 metres and was not persevered with in the home straight. Vet report: Cardiac arrhythmia.

Never Fear – Jumped awkwardly, shifted ground outwards, brushing the left side of its gate and was slow to begin. Approaching the 300 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn.

Sir Capers – Prior to the start the breast plate fitted broke and had to be replaced.

Greenstreetractor – Slow to begin. Raced wide throughout.

Desert Thief – The saddle had to be refitted behind the stalls. Stood flat footed and was slow to begin. Near the 500 metres had to be eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Never Fear**.

Result: 1st: **Never Fear**, 2nd: **Redwood Valley**, 3rd: **Sir Capers**, 4th: **Kimberley**

RACE 2 – THE MAURITIUS TOURISM PROMOTION AUTHORITY TROPHY – 1850M

Black Indy – Fractious in its stall prior to the start being effected. Approaching the 300 metres for some distance was held up when unable to improve from behind **Uncle JB**.

Jullidar - Approaching the 450 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

Kemal Kavur – Raced wide throughout. Was not persevered with in the home straight.

All Aboard – Momentarily raced in restricted room passing the 1000 metres when **Moschino** shifted in.

Glitterrock – Leaving the 200 metres jockey Martinez dropped his whip.

Starsky – Over the concluding stages shifted ground inwards, resulting in **Black Indy**, which was improving rapidly on its inside, having to be checked after the winning post, clipping its heels and stumbling badly, nearly dislodging its rider. Jockey Juglall was shown the video replays of the incident and advised to exercise care in future.

Result: 1st: **All Aboard**, 2nd: **Starsky**, 3rd: **Black Indy**, 4th: **Moschino**

RACE 3 – THE LONGINES WORLD-FEGENTRI CHAMPIONSHIP PANDORA HARRY POTTER COLLECTION TROPHY – 1500M

Acting on veterinary advice that **New Golden Age** was lame, the Stewards ordered its withdrawal at 10 a.m. on Friday 29 November. In view of this, all bets on **New Golden Age** were ordered to be refunded and betting with bookmakers was re-opened. With the withdrawal of **New Golden Age**, emergency acceptor **Space Agent** became a runner and was ridden by lady rider T. Grbavcicova.

Acting on veterinary advice that **Kash Is King** was lame on its off hind leg, the Stewards ordered its withdrawal at 1.30 p.m. today. In view of this, all bets on **Kash Is King** were ordered to be refunded and winning bets with bookmakers were paid less 25 cents per rupee, the average price of **Kash Is King** being 5/2.

Correct weight was withheld for the Stewards to view the video replays of the home straight. It was established that from leaving the 200 metres **Midnight Messenger** commenced to shift ground inwards, resulting in **Logan**, which was following, having to be switched inwards to continue going forward and that passing the 150 metres **Spun Out**, which was improving into a tight gap on the inside of **Logan**, running out of galloping room close to the finish and having to be eased. The Stewards, being of the opinion that but for the interference **Spun Out** would not have finished in front of **Logan**, decided not to proceed any further. However, lady rider S. Presits was severely reprimanded and told that she should straighten her mounts when they shift ground in future.

Midnight Messenger – Shifted ground outwards on jumping. Commenced to shift ground inwards leaving the 200 metres and leaving the 100 metres carried **Logan** inwards. Vet report: Cast off fore shoe.

Bear Hug – From its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners.

Spun Out – Slow to begin and shortly after was carried out onto **Kali's Champ**. Near the 75 metres, when endeavouring to improve into a tight gap on the inside of **Logan**, ran out of galloping room and had to be eased, losing its position.

Doyles – Threw its head and was slow to begin. Was taken out from leaving the 500 metres to improve its position.

Logan – Carried inwards leaving the 100 metres.

Space Agent – Raced wide in the early and middle stages. Shifted ground inwards leaving the 200 metres, tightening **Bear Hug**, which was improving on its inside. Lady rider T. Grbavcicova was shown the video replays of the incident, severely reprimanded and told to straighten her mounts earlier than she did on this occasion.

Result: 1st: **Kali's Champ**, 2nd: **Doyles**, 3rd: **Logan**, 4th: **Midnight Messenger**

RACE 4 – LE TROPHEE DE L'ILE MAURICE – 1450M

Heart Of Darkness – Approaching the 1100 metres, when the pace slackened, was taken out to avoid the heels of **Ku Du Tu** and, in doing so, carried **Silver Heritage** wider on the track. **Silver Heritage** then raced wide for the remainder of the race.

Clipper Captain – Leaving the 1300 metres, when being settled, got its head up and shifted ground outwards, carrying **The Brass Bell** wider on the track. Passing the 200 metres commenced to shift ground inwards, brushing **Marauding**. Vet report: Lameness off fore.

The Brass Bell – Was taken out from the 400 metres to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn.

Choir Of Angels – Passing the 200 metres was switched to the inside of **Ku Du Tu** to secure clear running.

Marauding – Approaching the 250 metres, when being urged forward, shifted in, crowding **Inertia**. Approaching the 200 metres was switched to the outside of **Silver Heritage** to secure clear running.

Seattle Kid – Slow to begin and shortly after stumbled. Passing the 1200 metres commenced to race fiercely and forced itself into a gap between **Clipper Captain** and **Inertia** and, when being restrained, got its head up and carried **Clipper Captain** outwards onto **The Brass Bell** with both these horses being inconvenienced.

Inertia – Slow to begin.

GENERAL

On inquiry into an incident passing the 250 metres, jockey Watson (**Marauding**) was severely reprimanded and advised to make more effort to straighten his mounts when they shift ground in future.

Result: 1st: **Marauding**, 2nd: **Seattle Kid**, 3rd: **Choir Of Angels**, 4th: **Clipper Captain**

RACE 5 – THE T-PRINTERS INTERNATIONAL TROPHY – 1600M

Burg – Raced wide throughout.

Talbec – Was switched to the outside of **Paddingtons Luck** approaching the 200 metres to secure clear running. **Cyber Special**, which was following, was inconvenienced close to its heels and had to be switched to the inside to continue going forward.

Divine Connection – Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

Alssakhra – Raced wide throughout.

Cyber Special – Slow to begin. Over-raced in the early and middle stages. Approaching the 300 metres clipped the heels of **Supreme Orator** and stumbled. Leaving the 200 metres was switched to the inside of **Talbec** to secure clear running. Over the concluding stages was switched to the inside of **Divine Connection** to continue going forward.

Supreme Orator – Vet report: Not striding out.

Wordbuster – Slow to begin. Passing the 450 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced very wide rounding the home turn.

Result: 1st: **Wordbuster**, 2nd: **Euroklidon**, 3rd: **Burg**, 4th: **Talbec**

RACE 6 - THE ZILWA ATTITUDE TROPHY – 1400M

Acting on veterinary advice that **Hadarat** suffered a bleeding episode whilst training, the Stewards ordered its withdrawal at 10 a.m. on Friday 29 November. In view of this, all bets on **Hadarat** were ordered to be refunded and betting with bookmakers was re-opened.

Huyssteen – Vet report: Lameness off fore.

Raheeb – Raced fiercely in the middle stages.

Patrol Officer – Approaching the 300 metres was taken out from behind **Raheeb** to improve its position and, in doing so, carried **In Your Dreams** wider on the track.

In Your Dreams – Carried wide in the home straight.

Blow In The Box – Hung in in the home straight.

Ocean Drive South – Leaving the 250 metres had to be switched out to avoid the heels of **Raheeb**, which was giving ground and over the concluding stages could not secure clear running.

Result: 1st: **Patrol Officer**, 2nd: **Edge Of The Sun**, 3rd: **Huyssteen**, 4th: **In Your Dreams**

RACE 7 – THE RAVENALA ATTITUDE TROPHY – 1600M

Baritone – Slow to begin.

Ten Gun Salute – Approaching the 1400 metres commenced to race fiercely and, when being settled, put its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance.

Kazaar – Leaving the 1100 metres, when the pace slackened, commenced to race fiercely and was taken out to avoid the heels of **Haylor** and, in doing so, carried **Table Bay** wider on the track. Near the 800 metres, whilst still over-racing, became awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Haylor** and had to be eased.

Haylor – Slow to begin.

Overshadow – Slow to begin. Approaching the 900 metres was taken out and urged forward to improve its position, raced wide from then onwards.

Wild Horizon – Leaving the 450 metres, when being urged forward, commenced to shift ground outwards with jockey Srinath switching his whip to his left hand and using it on the gelding. **Wild Horizon** then shifted ground outwards, resulting in **Baritone**, which was improving on its inside having to be eased to avoid its heels. Leaving the 200 metres, when being ridden with the whip in the left hand, commenced to shift ground away from the whip and crowded **Baritone**, which was improving on its inside, with the latter having to be checked, losing its position. On inquiry, jockey Srinath was severely reprimanded on both occasions and advised that he is to make a better effort to prevent his mount from shifting ground.

Result: 1st: **Haylor**, 2nd: **Table Bay**, 3rd: **Kazaar**, 4th: **Ideal Secret**

RACE 8 – LE PALMISTE RESORT & SPA CHALLENGE TROPHY – 1450M

Master Of Spain – Leaving the 1100 metres was allowed to stride forward to the lead. Dipped near the 800 metres.

Duke's Domain – Fractious in its gate prior to the start being effected. Hung in in the home straight.

Sky High Flyer – Was taken across to race behind runners. Vet report: Lameness off fore.

Northern Spy – Passing the 200 metres was switched to the outside of **Hithimagainchuck** to secure clear running. Hung in over the concluding stages.

Taranaki - Was taken across to race behind runners. Leaving the 400 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide rounding the home turn.

Sand Path – Slow to begin. Passing the 200 metres was switched to the inside of **Master Of Spain** to secure clear running and over the concluding stages shifted ground outwards under pressure.

Gordonstoun – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground inwards, brushing the right side of its gate, shortly after jockey Nunes readjusted his off side stirrup. When questioned, jockey Nunes explained that passing the 1000 metres, when **Master Of Spain** was improving next to him, his mount commenced to race fiercely and proved difficult to settle. Vet report: Lameness off fore.

Minaloushe Venture – Slow to begin. Raced fiercely in the middle stages.

Result: 1st: **Sand Path**, 2nd: **Northern Spy**, 3rd: **Taranaki**, 4th: **Master Of Spain**

RACE 9 – THE GROOMS CUP – 1400M

Baron Bellet – Slow to begin. Approaching the 1200 metres raced in restricted room on the inside of **Senor's Guest** for some distance and approaching the 1100 metres had to be eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Seven Colours**, which had been eased. Leaving the 200 metres was switched to the outside of horses to secure clear running.

Engage And Beware – Passing the 1000 metres shifted in marginally, resulting in **Seven Colours**, which was racing on its inside, being cramped for room over a short distance.

Cool Water – Slow to begin.

Senor's Guest – Was taken out to improve its position passing the 400 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

League Of Legends – Raced wide in the early stages.

Phoenix Rising – Raced wide throughout.

Seven Colours – Approaching the 1300 metres commenced to race fiercely and, when being settled, got its head up and raced ungenerously. Approaching the 1100 metres had to be eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Zigi Zagi Zugi**. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

Result: 1st: **Zigi Zagi Zugi**, 2nd: **Senor's Guest**, 3rd: **Baron Bellet**, 4th: **League Of Legends**

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.

SUMMARY – RM 38	
Reprimands	<p>Race 3: a) Ms S. Presits (Midnight Messenger): severely reprimanded and told that she should straighten her mounts when they shift ground (200m) b) Ms T Grbavcicova (): severely reprimanded and told to straighten her mounts earlier than she did on this occasion (200m)</p> <p>Race 4: J. Watson (Marauding): severely reprimanded and told to make more effort to straighten his mounts (250m)</p> <p>Race 7: S. Srinath (Wild Horizon): severely reprimanded and advised to make better effort to prevent his mounts from shifting ground (450m & 200m)</p>
Vet Certificates	<p>Race 1: Xanthus: OVE</p> <p>Race 4: Clipper Captain: OVE</p> <p>Race 5: a) Divine Connection: Bled – Suspended 30 days b) Supreme Orator: OVE</p> <p>Race 6: Huysteen: OVE</p> <p>Race 8: Sky High Flyer & Gordonstoun: OVE</p> <p>Race 9: Seven Colours: Bled – Suspended 30 days</p>

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