



THE MAURITIUS TURF CLUB
CHAMP DE MARS – PORT LOUIS

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RACE 1 – THE ST JOHNS WOOD PLATE

Point Of Policy got its head up at the start and was slow out. **Moot Call** was slow to begin. **Mark Of Mariner** jumped awkwardly. **My Best Friend** rolled out shortly after the start and became awkward when close to the heels of **Multi Dimention** and had to be eased over a short distance. Following this incident, **My Best Friend** was taken in to secure the position behind **Wave Dancer** on the fence. Leaving the 1500 metres **Waterside Jet** rolled in, brushing **Hopes And Desires**. From leaving the 1500 metres **Hopes And Desires** started to over-race and approaching the 1400 metres became awkward when close to the heels of **Waterside Jet** and when being taken back, got its head up. **Mark Of Mariner** raced wide in the early stages and leaving the 1300 metres was urged forward around **Waterside Jet** to race on the outside of the leader. **Cocktail Parade** had a tendency to over-race in the early stages and leaving the 1300 metres, when being taken back to secure a position behind runners, got its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance. Leaving the 300 metres **Hopes And Desires** was taken out from behind **Waterside Jet** to continue going forward. Near the 200 metres **Multi Dimention** rolled out under pressure, resulting in **Wave Dancer**, which was improving between **Mark Of Mariner** and **Multi Dimention**, bumping **Multi Dimention** on its hindquarter, turning it sideways, **Multi Dimention** then rolled out onto **Wave Dancer** with **Wave Dancer** then being taken out onto **Mark Of Mariner**. Following this, **Mark Of Mariner** rolled out, resulting in **Point Of Policy** which was improving on its outside becoming cramped for room and having to be taken out to continue going forward and in doing so inconvenienced **Royal Appointment** and **Hopes And Desires** on its outside. Apprentice Bardottier, the rider of **Multi Dimention**, was shown the video of this incident, warned under MTC Rule 160 A (e) and told that he should straighten his mounts when they shift ground in future. Leaving the 100 metres **Cocktail Parade**, which was endeavouring to improve between **My Best Friend** and **Multi Dimention**, ran out of galloping room and had to be taken out from behind **Multi Dimention** to continue going forward.

RACE 2 – THE MUNICIPALITY OF PORT LOUIS 125TH ANNIVERSARY CUP

Ballito Boy jumped awkwardly and rolled out, **Disclosed Duel** jumped awkwardly and rolled in, resulting **Baynesfield** becoming cramped for room between **Ballito Boy** and **Disclosed Duel**. **Le Mistral** was slow to begin. **Wolfe Tone** reared and brushed the right side of the gate, was slow out, losing many lengths. Passing 1300 metres **Disclosed Duel** and **Baynesfield** were cramped for room by **Pieces Of Eight**, which was improving around them. In this incident, **Disclosed Duel** had to be checked. **Le Mistral**, which was following, ran onto the heels of **Disclosed Duel**, and had to be taken out. At an inquiry into this incident, jockey Geroudis, the rider of **Pieces Of Eight**, pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (e) for careless riding and taking into consideration his previous convictions under the same rule he was subsequently suspended from riding in races for one race meeting and fined Rs.25,000. **Snappy**, **Baynesfield** and **Manta Ridge** raced wide in the early stages. Leaving the 900 metres **Young Announcer** lost its action for some distance. When questioned, apprentice Bardottier explained that after **Snappy** crossed over to go to the lead **Young Announcer** clipped the latter's heels and felt awkward for some distance, as such he was under the impression that this gelding had broken down, he then decided to bring it back and thought of pulling it out of the race, however shortly after it regained its action. **Pieces Of Eight**, which was following, was taken out from behind **Young Announcer** and in doing so carried **Disclosed Duel** wider on the track. **Dock On Time** and **Le Mistral** raced wide from the 400 metres. Approaching the 300 metres **Young Announcer**, which was giving ground, became inconvenienced when tight between **Disclosed Duel** and **Manta Ridge**.

RACE 3 – THE MUNICIPALITY OF PORT LOUIS CENTENARY CUP

Hugo The Boss and **Lord Of The Dance** jumped awkwardly. **Italian Lakes** half-reared, losing ground. Leaving the 1000 metres **Double Dash**, which had a tendency to over-race became awkward when close to the heels of **Raga Muffin**, was taken out from behind **Raga Muffin**, carrying **Good Grief** wider on the track. Leaving the 900 metres when the pace slowed down **Lord Of The Dance** became awkward when close to the heels of **Liberty Eagle**, was taken out and in doing so carried

Italian Lakes wider on the track and at the same time **Good Grief**, which has a tendency to over-race, became awkward when close to the heels of **Double Dash** and had to be taken out. **Italian Lakes** raced wide from then onwards. Approaching the 250 metres **Wondelaine** was taken out from behind **Italian Lakes** to continue going forward and raced wide rounding the home turn. From leaving the 300 metres **Lord Of The Dance** rolled out under pressure and raced wide in the home straight. Near the 300 metres **Raga Muffin**, which had started to give ground, became inconvenienced on the inside of **Hugo The Boss**, which was improving around it, rolled in slightly. **Italian Lakes** lay in in the home straight. When questioned with regard to the poor performance of Italian Lakes, jockey Neisius explained that at its last start when racing over a longer distance the gelding was able to secure the lead whereas today it jumped awkwardly and had to be chased in view to secure the lead but was not able to do so. He added that leaving the 900 metres he was pushed wide and raced wide from then onwards and, when asked for an effort leaving the 400 metres, failed to respond and was disappointing.

RACE 4 – THE SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI CUP

Azapel jumped awkwardly and rolled out onto **Burberry**. **Steel Of Approval** jumped awkwardly and brushed the right side of the gate. **Bastille Day** was slow to begin. **Hup-Two-Three** was slow into stride. **Revolution** and **Sergeant Major** came together shortly after the start. **Steel Of Approval** raced wide in the early stages. Leaving the 1100 metres **Tobin** was awkward when close to the heels of **Sergeant Major** and when being taken back, rolled out slightly. Passing the 1100 metres **Sergeant Major**, which had a tendency to over-race, became awkward when close to the heels of **Revolution** and when being taken back, rolled out slightly. Leaving the 900 metres **Tobin** which was still over-racing, became awkward when close to the heels of **Sergeant Major** and rolled out momentarily, **Bastille Day**, which was following, also had to be taken back. Near the 150 metres **Azapel** started to lay out away from the whip and had to be straightened up by jockey Joorawon. Leaving the 100 metres **Tobin**, which had tendency to lay in under pressure, rolled in and became inconvenienced when close to the heels of **Bastille Day** which had laid out under pressure. **Tobin** was then taken in off the heels of **Bastille Day** to continue going forward.

RACE 5 – THE PAUL CLARENC CUP

Following the running of the race, the Stewards sounded the inquiry sound and viewed the video of the final straight. It was established that leaving the 150 metres **Legal Maxim** started to hang in under pressure and lay in onto **Dealer's Choice** which had improved on its inside. **Dealer's Choice** then shifted in onto **Galant Gagnant** which was endeavouring to improve on its inside with **Gagnant** becoming inconvenienced and having to be steadied. The Stewards, being of the opinion that this incident did not materially affect the result of the race, decided not to proceed further and correct weight was declared on the Judges' semaphored numbers.

Galant Gagnant jumped awkwardly and rolled out onto **Pattaya Beach** with **Pattaya Beach** then rolling out onto **Wild 'N Free**. **A Quiet Rush** and **Sky Link** came together on jumping. **I'll Be Back** raced wide throughout. Approaching the 1300 metres **Sky Link** shifted out abruptly, carrying **Dealers Choice** outwards onto the heels of **Silverware**. **Dealers Choice** then bumped **I'll Be Back**, carrying **I'll Be Back** wider on the track. Leaving the 900 metres **Silverware** improved around **A Quiet Rush** in view to secure the lead. **A Quiet Rush** then started to over-race and was awkward when close to the heels of **Silverware**. **Legal Maxim** raced wide from approaching the 450 metres. Leaving the 450 metres **A Quiet Rush** was taken out from behind **Silverware** to close up the race. Leaving the 150 metres **Legal Maxim** started laying in under pressure and approaching the 100 metres **Legal Maxim** brushed **Dealers Choice** with **Dealers Choice** then rolling in. **Galant Gagnant** which was on the inside of **Dealers Choice** became inconvenienced and had to be steadied. At an inquiry into this incident, jockey Segeon, the rider of **Legal Maxim**, was found guilty of a charge of careless riding under MTC 160 A (e) and taking into consideration his record, he was subsequently fined Rs.20,000. Following, this **Legal Maxim** and **Dealers Choice** continued to roll in, resulting in **A Quiet Rush** becoming inconvenienced close to the winning post.

RACE 6 – LA COUPE DES PRESIDENTS

Seattle Ice jumped awkwardly and rolled out, brushing **Intercontinental**. **Club Victor** jumped awkwardly and rolled in, brushing **Sports Factor** on its hindquarter with **Sports Factor** then rolling in and bumping **Not Liable**. **La Foce** raced wide in the early stages. **Rudi Rocks** over-raced in the early stages. Approaching the 450 metres **Seattle Ice** was taken out from behind **Rudi Rocks** to close off the race and leaving the 400 metres **Seattle Ice** was taken out from behind **La Foce**, which had started to give ground, and raced wide from then onwards. For some distance approaching the 300 metres **Acuppa** was held up when unable to improve from behind **La Foce**. **Acuppa** was then

taken out from behind **La Foce** to continue going forward. Approaching the 250 metres **Not Liable** was held up for a short distance when unable to improve from behind **Sports Factor**. **Not Liable** was then taken out from behind **Sports Factor** to continue going forward. Leaving the 150 metres **Not Liable** started to roll in and passing the 100 metres inconvenienced **Sports Factor** on its inside.

RACE 7 – THE GAETAN ROLAND LAGESSE CUP

Mr Studios and **Royal Times** were slow to begin. **Waves Of Winter** and **Woodi Allain** raced wide in the early stages. Passing the 1300 metres **Royal Ransom** became awkward when close to the heels of **Court Report** which had been taken in towards the rails, was taken out from behind **Court Report** and carried **Electric Lightning** wider on the track. Approaching the 1100 metres **Royal Ransom** started to over-race and was awkward on the heels of **Court Report**, when being taken back **Royal Ransom** got its head up and rolled out over a short distance. **Waves Of Winter** raced wide in the early and middle stages. Approaching the 300 metres **Royal Times** was taken out from behind **Mdansi** and **Waves Of Winter** to close off the race and in doing so carried **Woodi Allain** wider on the track. Leaving the 150 metres **Woodi Allain** had a tendency to lay in under pressure and near the 100 metres was inconvenienced when close to the heels of **Royal Times** and had to be straightened by jockey Herholdt. Jockey Holder reported that **Wing Man** raced green.

When questioned with regard to the improved performance of **Royal Ransom**, trainer Ramapatee Gujadhur stated that prior to its last week's race he expected the gelding to run a good race as it had pleased at track work, however it always had a tendency to hang in at track work and in its races, as such he had **Royal Ransom** examined by the Equine Dentist and it was found that the latter had an abscess in its mouth which was treated accordingly. He also decided to fit the gelding with a rubber bit and, in his opinion, the fact that it was racing over 1500 metres contrary to 1650 metres at its previous outing together with the fact that it was running in a lower category had contributed to the improved performance today. The Club's Veterinary Surgeon reported that **Court Report** was lame on the off fore leg.

RACE 8 – THE SHAH'S STAR PLATE

Sovereign Service was slow to begin. **Mustarsel** jumped awkwardly. **Sherwani** rolled in shortly after the start, brushing **Ketchup**. **Fire Wire** stumbled shortly after the start. **Storm Valley** and **Sovereign Service** raced wide in the early stages. Leaving the 1100 metres **Sovereign Service** started to over-race and became awkward when close to the heels of **Storm Valley** and was taken out from behind **Storm Valley**. Following this, **Sovereign Service** continued to over-race. Approaching the 700 metres **Fire Wire** brushed the running rails. Passing the 300 metres **Fire Wire** was taken out from behind **Ball Park** and in doing carried **Ketchup** wider on the track. Leaving the 200 metres **Kilto** rolled out bumping **Ball Park**. Following this incident, **Kilto** rolled in, inconveniencing **Mustarsel**, which was improving on its inside. Leaving the 200 metres **Pole Of Gold** was held up for a run when unable to improve from behind **Fire Wire**, **Pole Of Gold** was then taken in off the heels of **Fire Wire** to continue going forward. Near the 150 metres **Pole Of Gold** was taken in off the heels of **Tiger Trap** to obtain clear running. Leaving the 100 metres **Tiger Trap** shifted in away from the whip, brushing **Pole Of Gold**, which was improving on its inside. When questioned, apprentice Sola explained that leaving the 1000 metres when **Sovereign Service** improved on its outside, his mount started over-racing and became awkward when close to the heels of **Sherwani**, he then elected to take his mount out from behind **Sherwani** and the latter when seeing daylight started to over-race and raced wide from then onwards.