



**THE MAURITIUS TURF CLUB**  
**CHAMP DE MARS – PORT LOUIS**

**INTERIM REPORT – SATURDAY 12 MAY 2012**

**RACE 1 – THE ‘DEANAN’ DOYAL CUP**

Just before the start **Point Of Policy** became unruly, got its head down and when being held by the handler, threw its head, then jumped awkwardly, brushing **Sideliner** and losing ground. Thereafter, **Point Of Policy** was settled at the rear of the field contrary to its usual racing pattern. **Galaxy Way** jumped awkwardly, rolled out and brushed **The Sneaker**. **Sideliner** and **Chetak** were slow out. Leaving the 1500 metres **What Price** shied away from **Jet Force**, which was improving around it, rolled in, slightly inconveniencing **The Sneaker**. Leaving the 1400 metres for some distance **Point Of Policy** had a tendency to over-race and when being settled, threw its head on some occasions. **Point Of Policy** raced wide from the 600 metres. **Sideliner** raced wide from leaving the 500 metres. Near the 150 metres **Galaxy Way** was eased when close to the heels of **What Price** which had shifted out to obtain a clear run. An inquiry into this incident has been adjourned to Tuesday morning. **Point Of Policy** and **The Sneaker** lay in in the home straight.

**RACE 2 – THE CASEY’S FLIGHT CUP**

**Days of Yore**, which was slightly unruly in the gates, threw its head and was slow out. **Chesnut Moon** raced wide throughout. **Snappy**, **Up Company** and **Sands of Fire** raced wide in the early stages. Approaching the 1200 metres **Made Of Money**, which was over-racing, became awkward when close to the heels of **One And Only**, which was being taken in to secure a position closer to the rails, and when being steadied got its head up for some distance. Approaching the 1100 metres **One And Only** rolled in momentarily, crowding **Days of Yore**. Leaving the 450 metres **Patch of Blue** was taken out from behind **War Academy** which had commenced to give ground and in doing so, carried **One And Only** wider on the track. **One And Only** raced wide from then onwards.

The Club's Veterinary Surgeon reported that **One And Only** lost its near fore shoe in running, had bruises on both hind fetlocks and was sore. Trainer C. Ramdin was told that before being allowed to race again this gelding will have to pass an ove.

The Club's Veterinary Surgeon reported that an endoscopic examination of **Chesnut Moon** revealed that it was suffering from a laryngeal hemiplegia and needs surgery.

**RACE 3 – THE JASON ESPITALIER NOEL CUP**

**Mzingeli** and **Camden's Choice** were slow out. **I Am What I Am** was slow into stride. Leaving the 1300 metres **Diamond Light** became awkward when close to the heels of **Ipse Dixit** and rolled in slightly, bumping **Teamog**. **Diamond Light** then rolled out, resulting in **Camden's Choice** becoming awkward when close to its heels, when being steadied **Camden's Choice** got its head sideways and raced ungenerously for some distance. **Al Masri** and **Camden's Choice** raced wide in the early stages. **Diamond Light** came off the crossing at the 800 metres awkwardly. Leaving the 400 metres **Camden's Choice** rolled in, brushing the running rails. **Key Of Gold** hung in badly in the home straight. **Diamond Light** raced wide from approaching the 300 metres. Approaching the 100 metres, when being ridden with the whip **Mzingeli** lay out, crowding **I Am What I Am**, which was improving on its outside, onto **Diamond Light**. **Al Masri** lay in under pressure over the concluding 100 metres.

**RACE 4 – THE PIERRE NOEL CUP**

**Fidelis** jumped awkwardly, rolled out and bumped **Immelman**. **Beach Club** jumped awkwardly, rolled in and was slightly inconvenienced when close to the heels of **Inside Out**. From its wide draw **Upton Park** was taken across to race behind runners. Approaching the 1300 metres **Pablo** had a tendency to lay in and when being straightened got its head up and leaving the 1300 metres became awkward when close to the heels of **Inside Out**, which was being taken inwards to secure a position closer to the rails, and when being steadied **Pablo** got its head up for some distance. Jockey Faucon, the rider of **Inside Out**, was shown the video of the incident and told to allow more room to horses on his inside. **Beach Club** raced wide in the early stages. Leaving the 1200 metres **Pablo** had a tendency to lay in, crowding **Immelman** and at the same time became awkward when close to the heels of **Fidelis** and, when being taken out, got its head up for some distance. From leaving the 450 metres **Beach Club** was taken up from behind **Inside**

**Out** and raced wide from then onwards. **Beach Club** lay in in the home straight. In the home straight **Bolting Cat** lay out under pressure, resulting in jockey Morgenrood switching his whip to his left hand.

#### **RACE 5 – THE RAOUL HALBWACHS CUP**

Acting on veterinary advice that **Alitalia** was lame, the Stewards ordered that it be withdrawn at 8 a.m. on Friday. In view of this withdrawal, all bets on **Alitalia** were ordered to be refunded and betting with bookmakers was re-opened.

The start was delayed when **Saubestre** reared in its gate and flipped over. Thereafter, it started thrashing, hitting **Modern Monet** on its hind legs. **Saubestre** and **Modern Monet** were taken out of their respective stalls and inspected by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon. Acting on veterinary advice, the Stewards ordered that **Modern Monet** and **Saubestre** be withdrawn from the race. In view of these withdrawals, all bets on **Modern Monet** and **Saubestre** were ordered to be refunded and winning bets with bookmakers were paid less 15 cents per rupee, the average price of **Modern Monet** being 5-1 and that of **Saubestre** being 59-1 at the start of the race. The Stewards, being of the opinion that the performance of **Saubestre** was unsatisfactory in the stalls, informed Mr. Allet that **Saubestre** will have to pass a barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before being allowed to race again.

Following the running of the race, the Stewards sounded the inquiry sign and at the same time listened to jockey Burke, the rider of the 4<sup>th</sup> placed horse **Monsieur Dane**, who lodged an objection against **Constellation**, being declared 2<sup>nd</sup>, alleging interference in the home straight. After viewing the video of the race from different angles, jockey Burke sought permission to withdraw his objection. Acting under MTC Rule 175, the Stewards granted leave to jockey Burke to withdraw his objection. The Stewards then declared correct weight on the judges' semaphored numbers.

**Prince Of Troy** and **Bobby Bear** jumped awkwardly. Approaching the 1300 metres **Prince Of Troy** became awkward when close to the heels of **Sergeant Major** when being steadied got its head up for a short distance. Leaving the 200 metres **Constellation** started to lay in under pressure, resulting in **Monsieur Dane**, which had started to improve on its inside, becoming slightly inconvenienced and having to be taken out to continue going forward. Approaching the 100 metres **Sergeant Major** was taken out from behind **Bobby Bear** to continue going forward and in doing so inconvenienced **Prince Of Troy** on its outside. The Club's Veterinary Surgeon reported that **Modern Monet** was sore on its near hind leg and that its cannon bone was swollen due to a knock and **Saubestre** was sore on its near side stifle and had a superficial bruise.

#### **RACE 6 – GRAND PRIX WHITE TURF ST. MORITZ**

**Senor Versace** jumped awkwardly and shortly after rolled in, bumping **Captain's Cheer**. **National Play** jumped awkwardly and shortly after rolled in, bumping **Royal Chalon**. **Royal Chalon** then rolled in bumping **Profit Report** on its hindquarters, unbalancing the latter. **Profit Report** was then eased and taken in to secure a position closer to the rails. Approaching the 1200 metres **Profit Report** rolled in, crowding **Capitaine**. Leaving the 1100 metres **Capitaine** had to be eased and afterwards rolled out, carrying **Super Storm** wider on the track. At an inquiry into this incident, apprentice Hoolash pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (e) for careless riding and was issued with a warning. In reaching this sanction, the Stewards took into consideration his guilty plea and his clean record under this rule. Approaching the 450 metres **Captain's Cheer** was taken out from behind **Western Emblem** and in doing so carried **National Play** wider on the track. Leaving the 200 metres **Senor Versace** started to lay in under pressure, at the same time **Super Storm** was taken out from behind **National Play** to secure clear running. **Senor Versace** and **Super Storm** came together with **Super Storm** became unbalanced over a short distance. Over the final 100 metres **Captain's Knock** lay in under pressure and over the concluding stages was taken out from behind **Western Emblem** to continue going forward and in doing so inconvenienced **National Play**. Apprentice Bheekary, the rider of **Captain's Knock**, was shown the video of the incident and was issued with a warning under MTC Rule 160 A (e). He was further advised to straighten his mounts when they shift ground in future.

#### **RACE 7 – THE PHILIPPE GOUPILLE CUP**

**Joyful** reared, losing many lengths at the start. **Saziwayo** jumped awkwardly. Shortly after the start **Mohican** rolled out, crowding **Shakleton** onto **Santos** with **Santos** then rolling out, bumping **Power Of Poseidon**. **Power Of Poseidon** then rolled out, inconveniencing **Tamworth**. **Jack Sparrow** and **Qui Harbour** raced wide in the early stages. **Palm Of Peace** raced wide in the early and middle stages. **Tamworth** was taken out from the 400 metres. **Santos** had a tendency to lay out in the home straight and over the concluding stages had to be taken in to avoid the heels of **Shakleton**.

## **RACE 8 – THE NOBLE CHIEFTAIN PLATE**

**Humble King** and **Salute The Saint** jumped awkwardly. **Raga Muffin** jumped awkwardly and threw its head. **Forbes** was slow out. From its wide barrier, **City of Choice** raced wide and was urged forward to race outside the leader at the 1200 metres. **Court Report** raced wide in the early and middle stages. **Arromonches** raced wide throughout. **Humble King** brushed the running rails at the 600 metres. Jockey Morgenrood, the rider of **Manta Ridge**, dropped his whip near the 100 metres. From the 300 metres **Raga Muffin** was taken out from the 300 metres to close off the race and raced wide rounding the home turn. In the home straight **Raga Muffin** had a tendency to lay in. Leaving the 250 metres **City of Choice** was taken to the inside of **Powerful Gift** to secure clear running. Jockey Mansour reported that **Humble King** was not striding out at the end of the race. A subsequent veterinary examination of this gelding revealed no apparent abnormality.