

# FINAL STIPES REPORT – SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025

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Weather:	Sunny
Track:	N 2.8
Rail Position:	3.25m

# **GENERAL**

The following trainers and jockeys appeared before the Stipendiary Stewards to confirm their instructions and discuss their intentions in their respective races:

- Race 1: COLOUR OF MONEY (Trainer S. Mahadia and Jockey R. Perez)
- Race 3: KALGOORLIE (Trainer S. Mahadia and Jockey R. Perez) AMANDLA (Trainer S. Mootien and Jockey R. Curatolo)
- Race 4: SPIRIT'S UNITE (Trainer C. Hewitson and Jockey D. Mansour)
  ROYAL SOVEREIGN (Trainer S. Mootien and Jockey R. Curatolo)
- Race 6: BLESS MY PATH (Trainer C. Daby and Jockey I. Taka)
  BETATHANTHEREST (Trainer A. Nagadoo and Jockey B. Sooful)
- Race 7: FREE TO WIN (Trainer V. Ruhee and Jockey B. Sooful)

  MANHATTAN CAFE (Trainer S. Mahadia and Jockey R. Perez)



## RACE 1: THE HAVE MERCY PLATE 1365M – [BM 46]

ALPINE CHALLENGE shifted outwards on jumping and bumped OPAGUE.

ONE AND ALL was slow into stride. Approaching the 1100m, ONE AND ALL commenced to race fiercely and when eased to avoid the heels of COLOUR OF MONEY, got its head up on a number of occasions and raced ungenerously for some distance. Approaching the 450m was steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of ALPINE CHALLENGE. Entering the home straight ONE AND ALL was taken to the inside of ALPINE CHALLENGE, to secure a clear run.

ALPINE CHALLENGE - Leaving the 100m, shifted ground outwards under pressure, with Jockey Mansour shifting his whip to his left hand, to straighten his mount.

COLOUR OF MONEY - Leaving the 900m when the pace slowed, when restrained, had a tendency to hang out and shifted ground outwards onto OPAGUE, which was racing on its outside. Leaving the 600m, commenced to give ground despite being urged forward vigorously.

#### **Vet Report:**

ONE AND ALL – Lame near fore COLOUR OF MONEY – No Abnormalities Detected

Resu	ılts	Odds	
1 <sup>st</sup>	4	ALPINE CHALLENGE	200 (Favourite)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2	OPAGUE	400
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1	ONE AND ALL	360
4 <sup>th</sup>	3	COLOUR OF MONEY	750

## RACE 2: THE SPEARFIN FUND ADMINISTRATION CUP 990M – [0-26]

The Stipendiary Stewards granted permission for FENCING CAPTAIN to be fitted with a noseband prior to the race as this equipment was declared at the time of nominations but was not printed on the racecard.

PAVED WITH GOLD whilst being loaded, became unruly and reared over. Upon recommendation by the Regulatory Veterinarian, the Stipendiary Stewards ordered its withdrawal. In view of the behaviour of this gelding behind the starting stalls, the Stipendiary Stewards have suspended this horse and advised Trainer Gujadhur that PAVED WITH GOLD would require schooling in the starting stalls before being allowed to pass a barrier trial, to be eligible to race again. All monies invested on PAVED WITH GOLD were ordered to be refunded. A deduction of 20 cents per rupee was declared.

NORDIC PRINCE – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground inwards, bumping UNSUNG HERO and was slow into stride.

On inquiry, Jockey Schwarz (NORDIC PRINCE) explained that he expected a good run from that gelding, which had pleased in the lead up to the race, however, after jumping awkwardly and bumping with UNSUNG HERO, NORDIC PRINCE was slow into stride and Jockey Schwarz found himself racing further back than expected. He then urged his mount forward to make up ground but received pressure from the outside and steadied as he had anticipated DUNZIE to shift further inwards. Thereafter, he was reluctant to go into the gap as he felt he



would have had to ask too much of his mount to maintain the pressure at this stage of the race and thereby elected to settle his mount behind runners. Trainer Allet added that NORDIC PRINCE had spent some time in the starting stalls prior to the race and did not have the best start and said that in his opinion it was not Schwarz's best ride. After hearing the evidence, the Stipendiary Stewards decided not to proceed any further, other than to advise Jockey Schwarz to endeavour to maintain the best position he is able to secure in a race in the future.

NOT IN DOUBT – When being hit with the whip shortly after the start, shifted outward and brushed FENCING CAPTAIN which had shifted ground inward. Jockey R. Curatolo was shown video footage of this incident and reminded of his duty to keep his mounts on a straight course when leaving the starting stalls in the future.

UNSUNG HERO – Jumped awkwardly, shifted ground outward, bumping into NORDIC PRINCE and was slow in stride. Approaching the 800m, commenced to race fiercely when being restrained, threw its head up and commenced to race ungenerously for some distances.

FENCING CAPTAIN shifted ground inwards under pressure in the home straight.

## **Vet Report:**

NOT IN DOUBT – Injury inside right foot FENCING CAPTAIN – Coughing

Results Odds			Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	3	FENCING CAPTAIN	285
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4	NORDIC PRINCE	250 (Favourite)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	2	NOT IN DOUBT	950
4 <sup>th</sup>	6	UNSUNG HERO	1000

# RACE 3: THE SPEARFIN SOCIAL COMMITTEE CUP 1450M - [BM 31]

CUMBRE VIEJA – fly jumped leaving the stalls.

LIQUID – slow into stride.

OVERDOSE – slow to begin.

CUMBRE VIEJA – From leaving the 1200m, was allowed to stride forward to secure a position closer to the lead. Approaching the 1000m, CUMBRE VIEJA was taken inward to secure a position in front of AMANDLA on the rail behind the leader. Shortly afterwards, CUMBRE VIEJA was steadied, when awkwardly placed close to the heels of LIQUID, AMANDLA which was following was slightly inconvenienced. Passing the 400m, CUMBRE VIEJA was taken outwards from behind LIQUID and made the turn into the home straight wide. Jockey D. Mansour was showed the footage of the concluding stages of the race, reprimanded and advised to ride his mounts out to the finish in the future.

OVERDOSE – Approaching the 600m, was switched to the outside of runners to secure his position, raced wide from then onwards, commenced to give ground when passing the 300m and was not persevered with in the concluding stages.



## **Vet Report:**

KALGOORLIE – Cast off hind shoe LIQUID – Lame off fore

Resu	Results		Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	4	CUMBRE VIEJA	150 (Favourite)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2	LIQUID	470
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5	AMANDLA	650
4 <sup>th</sup>	1	KALGOORLIE	1000

## RACE 4: THE SPEARFIN CORPORATE SERVICES CUP 1500M - [BM 41]

ROYAL SOVEREIGN – Jumped out and shifted outwards, inconveniencing runners on his outside despite Jockey Curatolo attempting to straighten his mount.

GLOBAL DOLLAR – Shortly after the start, shifted ground inwards and crowded MONUMENTAL onto SPIRIT'S UNITE. Approaching the 1400m, GLOBAL DOLLAR was urged forward to secure the lead and from leaving the 1300m, commenced to race fiercely with Jockey Perez finding it difficult to settle his mount. When questioned in regards to the performance of GLOBAL DOLLAR, Jockey Perez explained that he had expected a good run from this gelding and was instructed to lead the race. He added that after jumping reasonably well, he found himself racing in second position behind ROYAL SOVEREIGN, knowing that ROYAL SOVEREIGN usually hangs out in races, he decided to urge his mount forward to secure the lead. From then onwards, GLOBAL DOLLAR, raced keen and proved difficult to settle. He added that from the 600m, when asked for an effort GLOBAL DOLLAR failed to quicken and was disappointing.

When questioned about the use of Blinkers for the first time on GLOBAL DOLLAR, which was racing on the first occasion this season and over 1500m for the first time, Trainer Mahadia explained that previous jockeys that have ridden this horse have reported that after hitting the front, GLOBAL DOLLAR has a tendency to stop and they had recommended that blinkers be used on this gelding. He therefore had to make a decision and decided to run the horse with blinkers on this occasion and further confirmed that he will fit blinkers again at its next start. Trainer Mahadia added that with regards to today's race, he was of the opinion that GLOBAL DOLLAR may have choked and he is considering trying a tongue tie with the horse at his next outing.

SPIRIT'S UNITE was switched out leaving the 600m to improve its position and in doing so MONUMENTAL was steadied and carried wider on the track and raced wide into the home straight.

At an inquiry into this incident, evidence was taken from Jockey Nunes, rider of MONUMENTAL, who explained that leaving the 600m when he was positioned on the outside of SPIRIT'S UNITE, his mount had not been strong enough to keep SPIRIT'S UNITE along the rails and the latter shifted out, causing him to take back his mount and lose the position he thought he was legitimately occupying at that point in the race.

Jockey D. Mansour explained that leaving the 600m ROYAL SOVEREIGN which was racing in front of him was hanging outwards and had difficulty to properly negotiate the turn, as he found himself racing close to its heels, he opted to shift his mount outwards for lack of a better



option to avoid clipping the heels of ROYAL SOVEREIGN. He acknowledged that in doing so, his mount carried MONUMENTAL outwards with Jockey M. Nunes having to steady MONUMENTAL momentarily. Jockey D. Mansour further explained that had ROYAL SOVEREIGN not hung out when negotiating the turn, he would not have been awkwardly placed close to its heels and would not have had to switch out. According to him, it was the safest option in view of the circumstances unfolding in front of him with ROYAL SOVEREIGN.

Having reviewed the film of the race under various angles and the evidence on record, the Stipendiary Stewards were of the opinion that although ROYAL SOVEREIGN had contributed to the incident, Jockey D. Mansour's move to come off the rail slightly earlier had resulted into Jockey Mansour being caught off guard and having to shift his mount outwards to avoid the heels of ROYAL SOVEREIGN. In view of this, the Stipendiary Stewards reprimanded Jockey Mansour and reminded him that he ought to pay heed to other runners when shifting ground.

FIREFLARE – hesitated on jumping. Approaching the 250m, had to ease momentarily when close to the heels of GLOBAL DOLLAR which was giving ground. Shortly afterwards, was switched to the inside of GLOBAL DOLLAR to secure a clear run.

# **Vet Report:**

GLOBAL DOLLAR - No Abnormalities Detected

Resu	Results Odds		
1 <sup>st</sup>	3	SPIRIT'S UNITE	420
2 <sup>nd</sup>	5	ROYAL SOVEREIGN	330
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1	MONUMENTAL	1050
4 <sup>th</sup>	4	FIREFLARE	1400
Favo	Favourite		
5 <sup>th</sup>	2	GLOBAL DOLLAR	180

# RACE 5: THE SPEARFIN COMPLIANCE SUPPORT CUP 1365M - [BM 46]

Following the running of the race the Stipendiary Stewards sounded the inquiry alarm and reviewed the footage of the concluding stages. It was established that passing the 200m, WUGUG which was following HARDFALLINGRAIN and hanging in, commenced to shift ground inwards with WUGUG being switched outwards to continue going forward. The Stipendiary Stewards being of the opinion that even though WUGUG had to shift ground, Jockey Nunes had never intended to secure the run on the inside and Jockey Nunes never stopped riding his mount. The Stipendiary Stewards did not to proceed any further and confirmed the Judge's decision on the result.

FURIE NOCTURNE – hesitated leaving the stalls.

KAROO LARK – slow to begin.

MASSIMO – Raced wide in the early stages. Approaching the 1000m, commenced to race fiercely when being settled became unbalanced for a number of strides. The Regulatory Veterinarian reported that this gelding suffered from a bleeding attack, accordingly, Trainer Nagadoo has been informed that MASSIMO has been suspended from racing for a period of one month (30 days).



WUGUG – Approaching the 450m, was switched to the outside of HARDFALLINGRAIN to improve its position, thereafter, passing the 250m commenced to hang inwards and leaving the 200m, was taken out to the outside of HARDFALLINGRAIN to continue its run.

FURIE NOCTURNE – Passing the 200m, was hanging in and shifted inwards when being encouraged with the whip, and passing the 100m had to be taken out to avoid the heels of WUGUG. Jockey Schwarz, then switched his whip from his left hand to his right hand, in order to straighten his mount in the concluding stages.

## **Vet Report:**

FURIE NOCTURNE – Coughing MASSIMO – Bled both nostrils (30 days suspension)

Resu	ults		Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	2	HARDFALLINGRAIN	300
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4	FURIE NOCTURNE	225 (Favourite)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3	WUGUG	290
4 <sup>th</sup>	1	KAROO LARK	3500

# RACE 6: THE SPEARFIN – LA COUPE DU CENT CINQUANTENAIRE G3 1365M – [HCP]

ZIL MORIS – Fractious prior to the start being effected. Knuckled on jumping.

CAPTAIN LANNISTER – Raced wide in the early stages and was urged forward to secure the lead.

WALLS OF DUBROVNIK – Passing the 1200m, raced tight onto XAVION for a short distance. Raced wide throughout and gave ground leaving the 300m.

When questioned regarding the poor performance of WALLS OF DUBROVNIK, the favourite in the race, Trainer Ruhee explained that he had instructed Jockey Perez to endeavour to jump well and race close to the pace in a position one off the rails, if possible. He added that unfortunately, the inside horses were urged to maintain their positions and WALLS Of DUBROVNIK got caught racing wide without cover for the whole race, fading badly over the concluding stages. Trainer Ruhee concluded by saying that it would not have been reasonable to expect Jockey Perez to find a position closer to the rails, in view of how the race panned out in the early stages.

XAVION leaving the 450m, was switched to the outside of BETTERTHANTHEREST to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

BLESS MY PATH – Leaving the 200m, was shifted inwards to secure clear running.

BETATHANTHEREST – was hanging inwards in the home straight and in the concluding stages Jockey Sooful stopped riding with his whip and straightened his mount.

ZIL MORIS – Passing the 1200m, was awkwardly placed on the heels of BETATHANTHEREST. When questioned regarding this incident, Jockey Rama reported that his mount had shied away from XAVION and shifted in.



## **Vet Report:**

XAVION – Lame off fore WALLS OF DUBROVNIK – No Abnormalities Detected ZIL MORIS – Not striding out

Resu	Results Odds		
1 <sup>st</sup>	6	CAPTAIN LANNISTER	1200
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4	BETATHANTHEREST	1200
3 <sup>rd</sup>	2	BLESS MY PATH	1000
4 <sup>th</sup>	3	XAVION	310
Favo	Favourite		
6 <sup>th</sup>	1	WALLS OF DUBROVNIK	200

## RACE 7: THE SPEARFIN (SINGAPORE) PTE LTD CUP 1500M – [BM 61]

After being loaded in the starting stalls, SECRET GIVER threw its head down, forced the front gate open and bolted the course. SECRET GIVER was withdrawn by the Stipendiary Stewards on recommendation of the Regulatory Veterinarian. In view of the behaviour of SECRET GIVER in the starting stalls, the Stipendiary Stewards suspended the gelding and advised Trainer Sewdyal that SECRET GIVER would require to undergo a Barrier Trial before being allowed to race again. All monies invested on SECRET GIVER were ordered to be refunded.

MANHATTEN CAFE after being loaded into the stalls, forced the front gate open and was quickly reined in and reloaded.

FREE TO WIN – slow into stride. Leaving the 250m, was switched to be inside of JOIN THE DOTS to secure clear running.

MANHATTEN CAFE – Approaching the 1000m, became awkwardly placed close to the heels of VAN HUNKS, and was switched outwards. Leaving the 900m, was urged forward to race closer to the lead. In the concluding stages, when being encouraged with the whip on the right, commenced to shift outwards.

SHAH AKBAR – Approaching 250m, was switched to the outside of MANHATTEN CAFE to secure clear running. On inquiry, Trainer Allet explained that SHAH AKBAR was having its first run in 23 months and although having had a good preparation, he thought this gelding would be in need of a run, such that he instructed Jockey Schwarz to endeavour to race close to the pace without asking the gelding too much of an effort to do so. Jockey Schwarz confirmed these instructions and added that SHAH AKBAR jumped better than expected and that he even thought of taking the lead but when checking on his inside he saw that he was not clear enough of VAN HUNKS which was being urged forward vigorously. He said that to secure the lead he would have had to ask his mount for an effort and he did not want to do so knowing that the gelding might be in need of a run, he thus decided to stay in the one-off position rather. He further explained that approaching the 1300m a gap had presented itself on the rails between the leader VAN HUNKS and JOIN THE DOTS, but he did not consider that the gap was sufficiently big to insist into as he would not have been clear of JOIN THE DOTS. Trainer Allet stated that he was satisfied with the ride and that considering SHAH AKBAR had



not managed to secure a rail run he still ran well. After consideration, the Stipendiary Stewards decided not to proceed any further.

# **Vet Report:**

Nothing to report.

Resu	ults		Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	7	JOIN THE DOTS	310
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4	VAN HUNKS	250 (Favourite)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	6	SHAH AKBAR	800
4 <sup>th</sup>	2	FREE TO WIN	500

## **GENERAL**

- a) Pre-race blood specimens were taken from all runners.
- b) Routine post-race urine and blood specimens were taken for analysis from all winners and from GLOBAL DOLLAR (Race 4).
- c) All Jockeys passed a breathalyser test and urine specimens were taken from Jockeys D. Mansour, B. Ecroignard and K. Chumun for analysis.

SUMMARY		
Suspension		
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Reprimand	3	Jockey D. Mansour
	2	PAVED WITH GOLD
<b>Horse Suspension</b>	5	MASSIMO
	7	SECRET GIVER
	1	ONE AND ALL – Lame near fore
		COLOUR OF MONEY – NAD
	2	NOT IN DOUBT – Injury inside right foot
		FENCING CAPTAIN – Coughing
		PAVED WITH GOLD – Reared. Fell over backwards.
	3	KALGOORLIE – Cast off hind shoe
OVE		LIQUID – Lame off fore
	4	GLOBAL DOLLAR – NAD
	5	FURIE NOCTURNE – Coughing
		MASSIMO – Bled both nostrils (30 days)
	6	XAVION – Lame off fore
		WALLS OF DUBROVNIK - NAD
		ZIL MORIS – Not striding out
D	2	PAVED WITH GOLD
Barrier Trial	7	SECRET GIVER