

## **FINAL REPORT**

### **RACE MEETING 16 – SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2025**

<b>BOARD OF STIPENDIARY STEWARDS</b>	
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Weather:	Sunny
Track:	Normal 2.8
Rail Position:	Nil

### **GENERAL**

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

Race 2: THE CANE TRAIN (Trainer Mahadia and Jockey Perez)  
VIHAAN'S GREY (Trainer Mahadia and Jockey Bhaugeerothee)

Race 3: LETS PLAY POKER (Trainer Daby and Jockey Sooful)  
FIREFLARE (Trainer Daby and Jockey Taka)  
TAKING SILK (Trainer Nagadoo and Jockey Joorawon)

Race 4: WUGUG (Trainer Gujadhur and Jockey Chisty)

Race 8: WILLIAM RUFUS (Trainer Ruhee and Apprentice Nastili)

At 10h30, a report was received that jockey Horil was medically indisposed. The Stipendiary Stewards approved the following riding replacements:

Race 2: N.Batchameah (BOUNCEBACK)

Race 8: R.Joorawon (SOLOMONS SEAL)

### **RACE 1: THE PREETAM RAMJATTAN MEMORIAL TROPHY – 1365M – [0 – 26]**

DWIGHT EISENHOWER – Shortly after the start, was crowded for room between LE QUARTIER and KAISARISSA, which had shifted ground inwards on jumping. Raced wide in the early stages.

KAISARISSA – Shifted ground inwards on jumping, crowding DWIGHT EISENHOWER onto LE QUARTIER. Raced wide in the early stages and passing the 1200m, was eased and taken inwards to secure a position closer to the rails. Leaving the 250m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and raced wide into the home straight.

INDIGENOUS – Brushed the right side of its gate on jumping.

LE QUARTIER – Slow into stride.

#### **Vet Report:**

LAVA BURST: No abnormalities detected

Results			Closing Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	4	INDIGENOUS	270
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1	DWIGHT EISENHOWER	1100
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3	LAVA BURST	180
4 <sup>th</sup>	2	KAISARISSA	900
Favourite			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3	LAVA BURST	180

### **RACE 2: THE AQUA SPRINGS WEST VIRGINIA USA TROPHY – 1500M – [BM 41]**

The start of this race was delayed due to the HRO experiencing a power overload, which was attended to by the C.E.B. As such, the start of this race was rescheduled to 13h20.

IDITAROD TRAIL – Slow to begin and shortly thereafter, was taken across to race behind runners from the start. Leaving the 450m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and raced very wide into the home straight.

THE CANE TRAIN – Leaving the 100m, commenced to shift ground outwards under pressure. When questioned, jockey Perez explained that this gelding, which was running in Mauritius, and wearing the blinkers for the first time, had pleased in the lead-up to this race. As such, he was expecting a forward showing. After being sluggish at the start, he urged his mount forward in view to race closer to the leaders as per instructions. He added that he managed to secure a position one-off the rails on the outside of the leader. However, when asked for an effort leaving the 450m, THE CANE TRAIN failed to quicken and laboured in the home straight and thinking there was something amiss with it, he did not insist over the concluding stages. A subsequent veterinary examination of this gelding revealed no apparent abnormalities.

BOUNCEBACK – Slow into stride. Approaching the 350m, was switched to the outside of VIHAAN'S GREY to secure clear running and in doing so, inconvenienced CANFORD LIGHTS, which was improving on its outside.

SAN ANDREAS – Slow into stride. Approaching the 1100m, was taken to the outside of CANFORD LIGHTS to improve its position.

VIHAAN'S GREY – Slow to begin. Commenced to give ground from leaving the 450m, resulting in BOUNCEBACK, which was following, being held up for some distance.

CANFORD LIGHTS – Raced fiercely in the middle stages. Inconvenienced by BOUNCEBACK approaching the 350m.

CHARLIE SQUADRON – Approaching the 450m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

#### **Vet Report:**

THE CANE TRAIN: no abnormalities detected

SAN ANDREAS: lame near-fore

VIHAAN'S GREY: no abnormalities detected

CHARLIE SQUADRON: coughing post-race

Results			Closing Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	4	MYSTIC MAJESTY	140
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1	IDITAROD TRAIL	1600
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3	BOUCEBACK	3000
4 <sup>th</sup>	5	SAN ANDREAS	720
Favourite			
1 <sup>st</sup>	4	MYSTIC MAJESTY	140

### **RACE 3: THE AQUA DEUTSCHE TECHNIK SINGAPORE TROPHY – 1850M – [BM 46]**

The start of this race was rescheduled to 13h50, as a result of the delay of the start of race 2.

OPAGUE – Raced wide throughout. Commenced to give ground from leaving the 300m and was not persevered with over the concluding stages. When questioned, jockey Curatolo explained that after jumping well, he found himself racing wide without cover. He further explained that leaving the 1000m, he tried to press forward in view to find a position closer to the rails, however, WILLIAMTHEFIGHTER improved on its inside, resulting in him caught wide all the way. He further added that when he asked his mount for an effort leaving the 400m, it failed to quicken and was disappointing. A subsequent veterinary examination of OPAGUE revealed no apparent abnormalities.

LETS PLAY POKER – Slow into stride.

WILLIAMTHEFIGHTER – Stumbled shortly after the start. Leaving the 1100m, was switched out and allowed to stride forward to race closer to the lead, and in doing so, carried OPAGUE wider on the track, with OPAGUE racing wide from then onwards.

FIREFLARE – Slow into stride. Leaving the 800m, raced in restricted room between TAKING SILK and LETS PLAY POKER. Passing the 600m, when TAKING SILK shifted in marginally, was eased and taken out to continue going forward. Passing the 450m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and raced wide into the home turn.

TAKING SILK – Over-raced in the early and middle stages, and passing the 1400m, had to be restrained when awkwardly placed close to the heels of WILLIAMTHEFIGHTER. Shifted in

marginally passing the 600m, resulting in FIREFLARE having to be eased and taken out to continue going forward.

**Vet Report:**

OPAGUE: no abnormalities detected

WILLIAMTHEFIGHTER: lost off-hind shoe

Results			Closing Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	2	LETS PLAY POKER	900
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3	BRAVE BOMBER	165
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5	FIREFLARE	580
4 <sup>th</sup>	6	TAKING SILK	2500
Favourite			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3	BRAVE BOMBER	165

**RACE 4: THE AFRO ASIA INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES HONG KONG TROPHY – 1600M – [BM 56]**

The start of this race was rescheduled to 14h20, as a result of the delay of the start of race 2.

CAPTAIN COLA – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground inwards, bumping WUGUG.

FATEFUL DAY – Slow to begin. Passing the 1500m, after having been urged forward, threw its head when being settled. Leaving the 600m, was switched to the outside to improve its position, and when urged forward, failed to muster speed.

SPELLING BEE – Leaving the 450m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and raced wide into the home straight.

ROMAN’S REVENGE – Was hanging inwards in the home straight.

WUGUG – Bumped on jumping. Passing the 100m, was switched to the outside of ROMAN’S REVENGE to continue going forward.

**Vet Report:**

Results			Closing Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	3	SPELLING BEE	230
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4	ROMAN’S REVENGE	300
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5	WUGUG	1500
4 <sup>th</sup>	1	CAPTAIN COLA	600
Favourite			
1 <sup>st</sup>	3	SPELLING BEE	230

**RACE 5: THE AFRO MAURITIAN INVESTMENT SOUTH AFRICA TROPHY – 1365M – [SPECIAL CONDITIONS CLASS 1]**

The start of this race was rescheduled to 14h50, as a result of the delay of the start of race 2.

THE MAURITIAN – Shortly after the start, was slightly inconvenienced when UNITED PRINCE shifted ground inwards. Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

THOMAS HENRY – Slow to begin. Passing the 100m, was clipped on its heels by JUST VAR and became momentarily unbalanced.

COMMON GROUNDS – Slow to begin. Approaching the 450m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

JUST VAR – Leaving the 400m, for some distance, was held up when unable to improve on the inside of THE MAURITIAN. Passing the 100m, was switched to the inside of THOMAS HENRY to secure clear running, and in doing so, clipped the heels of THOMAS HENRY, with THOMAS HENRY becoming momentarily unbalanced. Apprentice Nastili was shown the video footage of this incident, severely reprimanded and advised to exercise care at all times.

UNITED PRINCE – Shifted ground inwards shortly after the start.

STATED – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground inwards.

#### **Vet Report:**

THE MAURITIAN: coughing post-race

THOMAS HENRY: no abnormalities detected

Results			Closing Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	3	COMMON GROUNDS	600
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4	JUST VAR	450
3 <sup>rd</sup>	7	WITHOUT EQUAL	1100
4 <sup>th</sup>	5	UNITED PRINCE	280
<b>Favourite</b>			
4 <sup>th</sup>	5	UNITED PRINCE	280

#### **RACE 6: THE AQUA SPRINGS MAURITIUS TROPHY – 2050M – [PINNACLE STAKES]**

The start of this race was rescheduled to 15h20, as a result of the delay of the start of race 2.

GOOD COUNCIL – Leaving the 100m, was switched to the inside of TRANSONIC to secure clear running.

ZEUS – Threw its head on jumping and was slow into stride. Leaving the 250m, was switched to the outside of SUGAR BLAST to secure clear running.

SUGAR BLAST – Leaving the 600m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position.

PRIME EXAMPLE – Slow to begin.

TRANSONIC – Slow into stride and was urged forward to secure the lead. Leaving the 100m, commenced to shift ground outwards, resulting in GOOD COUNCIL, which was improving on its outside, having to be switched to its inside to continue going forward.

#### **Vet Report:**

SUGAR BLAST: lame off-fore  
PRIME EXAMPLE: lost off-hind shoe

Results			Closing Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	5	TRANSONIC	1000
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2	ZEUS	350
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1	GOOD COUNCIL	175
4 <sup>th</sup>	3	SUGAR BLAST	3500
Favourite			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1	GOOD COUNCIL	175

### **RACE 7: THE AQUA SPRINGS DUKE OF YORK CUP – 1600M – [GROUP 1 – WFA]**

The start of this race was rescheduled to 15h50, as a result of the delay of the start of race 2.

AT MY COMMAND – Bumped by XAVION shortly after the start. Bumped by WILLIAM IRON ARM approaching the 800m. Leaving the 450m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and raced wide into the home turn.

SUN BLUSHED – Passing the 1400m, was cramped for galloping room on the inside of MAGNUM P I, which was forced to ease when crowded for room on the inside of THE GATEKEEPER. On inquiry into this incident, jockey Joorawon (THE GATEKEEPER) pleaded guilty to a contravention of Rule 43.2.5 in that he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of MAGNUM P I, resulting in MAGNUM P I having to be eased, with SUN BLUSHED, who was racing on the inside of MAGNUM P I being cramped for galloping room. Jockey Joorawon was suspended from riding in races for two Mauritian race meetings, effective as the start of the 2026 Racing Season.

THE GATEKEEPER – Passing the 400m, was switched to the outside of MAGNUM P I to improve its position and raced wide into the home turn. Leaving the 200m, commenced to shift ground inwards under pressure, resulting in MERIDIUS, which was improving into a gap between THE GATEKEEPER and MAGNUM P I, being carried in onto MAGNUM P I, with MAGNUM P I having to be eased.

MERIDIUS – Jumped outwards. Passing the 1300m, had to be steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of SUN BLUSHED. Leaving the 200m, when improving into a gap between THE GATEKEEPER and MAGNUM P I, was inconvenienced and carried in onto MAGNUM P I, inconveniencing the latter.

WILLIAM IRON ARM – Shifted ground inwards on jumping, bumping XAVION, with XAVION shifting ground inwards and bumping AT MY COMMAND. Leaving the 1500m, when THE GATEKEEPER improved on its outside, it shied away and shifted ground inwards, crowding XAVION. Approaching the 800m, when it was hanging inwards, shifted ground inwards and bumped AT MY COMMAND. Following this incident, continued to hang inwards and raced tight onto XAVION for some distance, despite jockey Curatolo's attempt to straighten it.

BLESS MY PATH – Carried wide passing the 1200m.

PORT LOUIS – Slow to begin. Leaving the 600m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and raced very wide into the home turn.

XAVION – Bumped on jumping and shifted ground inwards, and bumped AT MY COMMAND. Leaving the 1500m, was crowded by WILLIAM IROM ARM, which had shied away from THE GATEKEEPER which had been taken inwards when insufficiently clear. Jockey Joorawon, rider of THE GATEKEEPER, was shown the video footage of this incident, reprimanded and strongly advised to exercise more care when shifting ground in future.

ZIL MORIS – Knuckled on jumping and shortly thereafter, was crowded for room between MAGNUM P I and AT MY COMMAND. Passing the 1000m, commenced to race fiercely and had difficulty in negotiating the turn passing the 900m.

MAGNUM P I – Jumped outwards, inconveniencing ZIL MORIS. Passing the 1450m, jockey Santana adjusted his right-side stirrup irons. Passing the 1400m, had to be eased when crowded for room on the inside of THE GATEKEEPER. Leaving the 1400m, commenced to race fiercely and when being settled, threw its head and raced ungenerously. Passing the 1200m, was switched to the outside of THE GATEKEEPER to improve its position and in doing so, carried BLESS MY PATH wider on the track. Eased leaving the 200m.

#### **Vet Report:**

WILLIAM IRON ARM: lame near-fore

XAVION: lost near-fore shoe

ZIL MORIS: lame near-fore

<b>Results</b>			<b>Closing Odds</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	4	MERIDIUS	290
2 <sup>nd</sup>	9	ZIL MORIS	1000
3 <sup>rd</sup>	7	PORT LOUIS	900
4 <sup>th</sup>	2	SUN BLUSHED	3500
<b>Favourite</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	4	MERIDIUS	290

#### **RACE 8: THE JEAN HALBWACHS TROPHY – 1365M – [PINNACLE STAKES]**

The start of this race was rescheduled to 16h30, as a result of the delay of the start of race 2. It was further delayed when the bridle of PADRE PIO broke and a new one had to be re-fitted behind the starting stalls.

ROYAL WULFF – Slow to begin and from its wide draw, was taken across to race behind runners. Leaving the 600m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

CAPTAIN ARROW – Raced wide in the early stages.

ZOOMIE – Leaving the 250m, was switched to the inside of FORMAGEAR to secure clear running.

PADRE PIO – Fractious in its gate prior to the start being effected. Raced wide in the early stages.



VALYRIAN KING – Slow to begin. Commenced to give ground from leaving the 400m and was not persevered with for the remainder of the race.

VAN HUNKS – Slow to begin.

**Vet Report:**

FORMAGEAR: small injury near hind foot

CAPTAIN ARROW: bled both nostrils

Results			Closing Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	2	ROYAL WULFF	1100
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4	SOLOMONS SEAL	650
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1	FORMAGEAR	650
4 <sup>th</sup>	7	WILLIAM RUFUS	1100
Favourite			
5 <sup>th</sup>	5	ZOOMIE	330

**RACE 9: THE AU REVOIR PLATE – 1400M – [0 – 25]**

The start of this race was rescheduled to 17h10, as a result of the delay of the start of race 2.

BLUE RIBBON DAY – Shortly after the start, made contact with LINGOTTO.

CANFORD CLUB – Approaching the 400m, was switched to the outside of runners to improve its position and in doing so, made the turn into the home straight very wide.

BRAND NEW WORLD – Raced wide in the early stages. Leaving the 1000m, was taken out from behind LINGOTTO and allowed to stride forward to secure the lead. Leaving the 200m, commenced to shift ground outwards, resulting in LINGOTTO having to be eased and taken in to continue going forward.

RIVER HAWK – Carried wide approaching the 600m.

CAPTAIN'S CONSORT – Jumped awkwardly and was slow to begin.

LINGOTTO – Shortly after the start, made contact with BLUE RIBBON DAY. Approaching the 600m, when endeavoring to keep its position on the outside of BRAND NEW WORLD, switched outwards and carried RIVER HAWK wider on the track. Leaving the 200m, was eased and taken to the inside of BRAND NEW WORLD to continue going forward.

BESTDAY OF MYLIFE – Slow to begin.

MOON JUMPER – Slow to begin.

**Vet Report:**

BRAND NEW WORLD: not striding out

Results			Closing Odds
1 <sup>st</sup>	1	CANFORD CLUB	500
2 <sup>nd</sup>	5	CAPTAIN'S CONSORT	700
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4	RIVER HAWK	210
4 <sup>th</sup>	3	BRAND NEW WORLD	400
Favourite			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4	RIVER HAWK	210



## **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.
- c) All Jockeys passed a breathalyser test and urine specimens were taken from Jockeys Chisty, Joorawon and Ramsamy for analysis.

<b>SUMMARY</b>		
<b>Suspension</b>	7	R.Joorawon (THE GATEKEEPER)
<b>Fine</b>		
<b>Reprimand</b>	5	N.Nastili (JUST VAR)
	7	R.Joorawon (THE GATEKEEPER)
<b>Horse Suspension</b>	8	CAPTAIN ARROW (30 days)
<b>OVE</b>	2	SAN ANDREAS – lame near-fore
		CHARLIE SQUADRON – coughing
	3	WILLIAMTHEFIGHTER – lost off-hind shoe
	5	THE MAURITIAN – coughing
	6	SUGAR BLAST – lame off-fore
		PRIME EXAMPLE – lost off-hind shoe
	7	WILLIAM IRON ARM – lame near-fore
		XAVION – lost near-fore shoe
		ZIL MORIS – lame near-fore
	8	FORMAGEAR – small injury near hind foot
		CAPTAIN ARROW – bled both nostrils
	9	BRAND NEW WORLD – not striding out
<b>Barrier Trial</b>		