

INTERIM REPORT
RACE MEETING 17 – SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2026

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Weather:	Cloudy
Track:	2.8 Normal
Rail Position:	2m25

GENERAL

The following Trainers, Assistant-Trainers and Jockeys appeared before the Stipendiary Stewards to confirm their instructions and discuss their intentions in their respective races:

Race 1: **COOL CAT** (Trainer Awotar and Jockey Chumun)

HOLDS THE KEY (Trainer Awotar and Jockey Sonaram)

Race 2: **DALMENY FACTOR** (Trainer Awotar and Jockey Van Niekerk)

Race 3: **SUMMER SNOW** (Trainer Hewitson and Jockey Ramsamy)

PALERMO (Trainer Hewitson and Jockey Juglall)

Race 4: **BACCHUS** (Trainer Nagadoo and Jockey Chaves)

GIMMEANOTHERCHANCE (Trainer Nagadoo and Jockey Ramsamy)

BLUE BAY (Trainer Gujadhur and Jockey Curatolo)

JOIN THE DOTS (Trainer Gujadhur and Jockey Sooful)

Race 5: **ZOOMIE** (Trainer Gujadhur and Jockey Curatolo)

THE MAURITIAN (Trainer Gujadhur and Jockey Sooful)

Race 6: **CAPTAIN LANNISTER** (Trainer S.Gujadhur and Jockey Sonaram)

SOLOMONS SEAL (Trainer S.Gujadhur and Jockey Mansour)

Jockey Van Niekerk was stood down by the Course Medical Officer following the running of Race 6. The Stipendiary Stewards approved Jockey Sonaram as the replacement rider for **Symbolic Gesture** (Race 7).

RACE 1: THE NUNDKISHORE GUJADHUR CUP – 990M – [B.36]

Diamond Days – Fractious in its stall prior to the start. Half-reared on jumping.

Valyrian King – Jumped awkwardly, shifted ground inwards and was slow into stride. Leaving the 250m, was slightly inconvenienced when carried out by **Mind Map**. Was hanging inwards in the home straight.

Cool Cat – Jumped awkwardly, shifted ground inwards and brushed **Holds The Key**.

Holds The Key – Brushed on jumping. Approaching the 200m, shifted ground inwards and passing the 150m, when being ridden with the whip, commenced to shift ground outwards, with Jockey Sonaram putting his whip away and straightening the gelding. Jockey Sonaram was shown video footage of the home straight, issued with a warning, and advised to stop riding with the whip and straighten his mounts earlier than he did on this occasion.

Vet Report:

Diamond Days: Lameness off-fore

Mind Map: Lameness off-fore

Results			Closing Odds	Distance
1 st	1	Diamond Days	120	Win
2 nd	5	Holds The Key	500	-2.85L
3 rd	2	Mind Map	700	-5.10L
4 th	3	Valyrian King	3000	-5.45L
Favourite				
1 st	1	Diamond Days	120	

RACE 2: THE PNL CONSUMER TROPHY – 1500M – [B.31]

The start of this race was delayed when **Dalmeny Factor** refused to load, and was subsequently withdrawn. In view of this, all bets on **Dalmeny Factor** were ordered to be refunded and a deduction of 25 cents per rupee was applied on winning bets. Considering **Dalmeny Factor's** behaviour, this gelding has been suspended and will be required to pass a Barrier Trial to the satisfaction of the Stipendiary Stewards prior to being nominated again. Trainer Awotar was informed accordingly.

Iditarod Trail – Carried wide leaving the 450m.

Unsung Hero – Threw its on head on jumping and was slow to begin. Leaving the 1400m, commenced to race fiercely, was taken to the outside of runners and allowed to stride forward in order to secure the lead. Raced wide rounding the first turn.

Cybotix – Slow to begin and thereafter, was taken across to race behind runners. Approaching the 400m, was switched to the outside of **Boom Town** to improve its position and in doing so, carried **Iditarod Trail** wider on the track.

Sea Dance – Slow to begin and thereafter, was crowded for room onto **Unsung Hero** by **Canford Club**, which had jumped inwards. Leaving the 250m, was switched to the inside of **Babylon** to secure clear running.

Boom Town – Leaving the 450m, was held up when unable to improve from behind **Divine Warrior**, which was not improving despite being urged by Jockey Mansour. Jockey Curatolo was shown video footage of the home straight and advised that he should always ride with his usual vigor and determination so as to leave no room for query.

Canford Club – Jumped inwards and crowded **Sea Dance** onto **Unsung Hero**.

Divine Warrior – Leaving the 1365m, commence to race fiercely and when being settled, got its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance. Passing the 1300m, when still racing ungenerously, was switched to the outside of **Boom Town** to avoid its heels and raced wide until passing the 1000m.

Vet Report:

Iditarod Trail: Lamé near-fore

Results			Closing Odds	Distance
1 st	8	Canford Club	600	Win
2 nd	5	Sea Dance	3000	-2.05L
3 rd	7	Boom Town	400	-2.70L
4 th	4	Cybotix	1100	-4.10L
Favourite				
3 rd	7	Boom Town	400	

RACE 3: THE PHILIPS AUDIO TROPHY – 1600M – [B.51]

Captain Cola – On jumping, made contact with **Summer Snow**.

Makazole – Leaving the 1500m, shied away from **Captain Cola** and shifted ground inwards despite Jockey Curatolo's attempt to straighten it. Passing the 1200m, when racing fiercely, had to be restrained when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Captain Cola**. Leaving the 400m, was held up when unable to improve from behind **Captain Cola**, which despite being urged

forward, was not making up ground. Passing the 300m, was switched to the outside of **Captain Cola** and improved into a tight gap between that gelding and **Palermo**.

Secret Oasis – Slow to begin. Leaving the 1500m, for some distance, raced in restricted room on the inside of **Makazole**, which had shied away from **Captain Cola** and shifted ground inwards despite Jockey Curatolo's attempt to straighten it. Approaching the 1200m, was switched to the outside of runners and allowed to stride forward to race closer to the lead, and raced wide from then onwards.

Summer Snow – On jumping, made contact with **Captain Cola**. Slipped and took an awkward stride near the 250m, with Jockey Ramsamy becoming momentarily unbalanced.

Palermo – Prior to the start being effected, became fractious and reared.

Vet Report:

Makazole: Bled both nostrils, suspended for 45 days

Results			Closing Odds	Distance
1 st	4	Summer Snow	250	Win
2 nd	3	Secret Oasis	370	-0.95L
3 rd	2	Makazole	220	-1.45L
4 th	1	Captain Cola	1800	-4.10L
Favourite				
3 rd	2	Makazole	220	

RACE 4: THE PNL LOGISTICS TROPHY – MIDDLE STAKES – 1850M

Following the running of this race, the Stipendiary Stewards sounded the inquiry siren to consider an objection lodged by Jockey Chaves, rider of second-placed **Bacchus**, against the winner, **Spelling Bee**, ridden by Jockey Corrales, on the grounds of interference over the concluding stages. Evidence was taken from Jockey Chaves, Trainer Nagadoo, Jockey Corrales and Trainer Daby. It was established that from approaching the 250m, **Bacchus** was hanging inwards. Thereafter, passing the 100m, **Gimmeanotherchance** commenced to shift ground outwards, which resulted in Jockey Corrales, rider of **Spelling Bee**, having to correct his mount. **Bacchus**, which was following and still hanging inwards, was switched out to continue going forward. After consideration, the Stipendiary Stewards overruled the objection and the correct weight was declared on the Judges' Semaphored numbers.

Bacchus – Leaving the 1000m, had to be restrained when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Blue Bay**. Approaching the 600m, was again restrained when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Blue Bay**. **Join The Dots**, which was following, was inconvenienced and had to be eased when awkwardly placed close to its heels. Approaching the 250m, for some distance, was held up when

unable to improve from behind **Spelling Bee**. Was hanging inwards in the home straight. Passing the 100m, when still hanging inwards, was switched out to continue going forward.

Spelling Bee – Jockey Corrales’ whip was struck out of his hand by Jockey Ramsamy’s whip close to the finish.

Gimmeanotherchance – Passing the 100m, commenced to shift ground outwards, resulting in Jockey Corrales, rider of **Spelling Bee**, having to correct his mount.

Blue Bay – Near the 1700m, shifted ground inwards, which resulted in **Spelling Bee** racing in restricted room between **Blue Bay** and **Ninety Nine Heros** over a short distance.

Join The Dots – Slow to begin.

Ninety Nine Heros –

Vet Report:

Blue Bay: Bled both nostrils, distressed post-race, suspended for 30 days

Ninety Nine Heros: Coughing post-race

Results			Closing Odds	Distance
1 st	2	Spelling Bee	410	Win
2 nd	1	Bacchus	185	-0.05L
3 rd	3	Gimmeanotherchance	1600	-0.40L
4 th	5	Join The Dots	330	-2.40L
Favourite				
2 nd	1	Bacchus	185	

RACE 5: THE EPSON TROPHY – 1600M – [B.71]

Bugalugs – Shortly after the start, shifted ground outwards and inconvenienced **Zoomie**. Passing the 600m, was switched to the outside of **Havana Moon** to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards.

Zoomie – Slow to begin. Shortly thereafter, was inconvenienced when **Bugalugs** shifted ground outwards. Shortly after straightening, was switched to the inside of **The Mauritian** to continue going forward.

Vet Report:

Bugalugs: Lamé off-fore

Results			Closing Odds	Distance
1 st	3	Havana Moon	150	Win

2 nd	2	Zoomie	800	-0.45L
3 rd	1	Bugalugs	285	-0.80L
4 th	4	The Mauritian	2000	-3.95L
Favourite				
1 st	3	Havana Moon	150	

RACE 6: THE ONE-ANKER – COUPE DU CINQUANTENAIRE – GROUP 3 – 990M

Captain Bombshell – Crowded onto **Formagear** shortly after the start. Was hanging inwards in the home straight.

Quasiforsure – Fly-jumped and bounded shortly after the start. Passing the 600m, was steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Unzen**. Leaving the 100m, commenced to shift ground outwards.

Unzen – Slow into stride.

Captain Lannister – Jumped awkwardly and shifted ground outwards, crowding **Captain Bombshell** onto **Formagear**.

Solomons Seal – Was hanging outwards over the concluding 150m.

Vet Report:

Warhead: Lamé near-fore

Results			Closing Odds	Distance
1 st	7	Warhead	230	Win
2 nd	6	Solomons Seal	370	-2.45L
3 rd	5	Captain Lannister	1000	-4.10L
4 th	4	Unzen	800	-4.85L
Favourite				
1 st	7	Warhead	230	

RACE 7: THE ECOFLOW SOLAR POWER TROPHY – 1365M – [0-26]

Prior to the running of this race, Jockey Van Niekerk was stood down by the Course Medical Officer, dehydration. The Stipendiary Stewards approved Jockey Sonaram as the replacement rider for **Symbolic Gesture**.

Following the running of this race, the Stipendiary Stewards sounded the inquiry siren and reviewed video footage of the start of the race. It was established that just prior to the start, **Le Turbo** charged the front gate of its stall, resulting in **Symbolic Gesture** in the adjacent stall becoming fractious, with the handler assisting it. As the start was effected, the handler still had

a hold of the horse' head, impeding the horse. As such, the Stipendiary Stewards declared **Symbolic Gesture** a non-runner in terms of Rule 393 (b). All bets on **Symbolic Gesture** ordered to be refunded, a deduction of 2 cents per rupee were applied on winning bets and the correct weight was declared on the Judges' Semaphored numbers.

Cider House Rules – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

Jet Blackfire – Leaving the 300m, was contacted by **Fire Starter**, which had shifted ground inwards slightly and became momentarily unbalanced.

Le Turbo – Raced wide in the early stages.

Senor Resfrio – Leaving the 1200m, commenced to race fiercely.

Symbolic Gesture – Slow to begin, losing considerable ground at the start.

World Champion – Jumped awkwardly, shifted ground inwards and was slow to begin.

Fire Starter – Slow to begin. Over-raced in the middle stages and leaving the 600m, was switched to the outside of **Senor Resfrio** and raced wide from then onwards. Leaving the 300m, momentarily shifted ground inwards, made contact with **Jet Blackfire**, which shifted ground inwards and became momentarily unbalanced.

The Regulatory Veterinarian had no reports

Results			Closing Odds	Distance
1 st	6	World Champion	500	Win
2 nd	2	Jet Blackfire	170	-0.70L
3 rd	7	Fire Starter	470	-1.95L
4 th	3	Le Turbo	700	-2.20L
Favourite				
2 nd	2	Jet Blackfire	170	

GENERAL

- Pre-race blood specimens were taken from all runners.
- Routine post-race urine and blood specimens were taken for analysis from all winners, **Join The Dots** and **Formagear**
- All Jockeys passed a breathalyser test, and urine specimens were taken from Jockeys Corrales, Van Niekerk and Apprentice Kulloo for analysis.

SUMMARY

Suspension		
Fine		
Warning	1	Jockey Sonaram (Holds The Key)
Severe Warning		
Horse Suspension	2	Dalmeny Factor
	3	Makazole – 45 days
	4	Blue Bay – 30 days
OVE	1	Diamond Days – lame off-fore Mind Map – lame off-fore
	2	Iditarod Trail – lame near-fore
	3	Makazole – bled both nostrils
	4	Blue Bay – bled both nostrils, distressed post-race Ninety Nine Heros – coughing post-race
	5	Bugalugs – lame off-fore
	6	Warhead – lame near-fore
Barrier Trial	2	Dalmeny Factor