



Stewards Report – 06/02/2026

Going:	Good to Firm
Track:	INNER
Rail Position:	Home bend out 1.5m
Stalls Position:	Middle: 1000m (Straight), 1200m (Straight), 1600m, 2000m Outside: 2400m
Chief Steward:	Paul Barton
Stewards:	Hani Marzooq Husain Ali Mahmood Mirza
Non-Runners:	R1 - AL KRAY 1966 R4 - RAYOUNPOUR (IRE) R7 - ROSA MYSTICA (IRE) R7 - AVIANO (GB)
Withdrawn on Raceday:	R5 – CAPRICORNUS – withdrawn by the Starter at 18:02 R7 - KOULIKORO (IRE) - withdrawn by the Veterinary Officer at 18:58 R9 – SKARINA – withdrawn by the Starter at 20:03



Fixture Note: TAREEKH, trained by Ahmed Al Sadah, and TOPAZ, trained by Ali Nasser, passed their stalls tests and can now be entered to race.

Adjourned Cases: The Stewards reconvened an enquiry into the running and riding of BLUES QUEEN, trained by Paul Smith and ridden by Franky Vanhonsbrouck, which was well behind until running on well in the final 400m under apparent tender handling to finish 9th of 11 runners, beaten 5 lengths, in Race 9 on 29/01/2026. The rider reported that his instructions were to get a good start and ride his race and added that the mare was hanging right in the closing stages and, in his opinion, needed a longer trip. The trainer confirmed these instructions and stated that BLUES QUEEN had been run over a shorter distance than her optimum to try something different, and that she may have been coming into season at the time. Having viewed the video recordings, the Stewards noted these explanations and took no further action.

Hussain Asghar, the rider of AL SAQLAWY 1874, placed 3rd, was fined BD 100/- for using the whip with excessive frequency in the home straight in Race 1 on 30 January 2026.

Muanis Al Siyabi, the rider of KUHEILAN AL ADIYAT 1894, placed 2nd, was suspended for one meeting, 12 February 2026, for using the whip with excessive frequency in the home straight in Race 1 on 30 January 2026.



Race 1 - 04:00 pm **FATEES AL HAJERI CUP**

KRUSHAN 1926 and KUHEILAN AAFAS 1970 were given permission to go to the start early. MUSANNAN M1155 was given permission to be mounted from the pre-parade ring.

KUHEILAN AAFAS 1970, ridden by Mark Lawson and trained by Yousif Taher, was led to the start unmounted. The Trainer was reminded that, under Article 12.4, all horses must be ridden to the start.

Mark Lawson, the rider of KUHEILAN AAFAS 1970, placed 3rd, was fined BD 100/- for using the whip with excessive frequency in the home straight.

Race 2 - 04:30 pm

ASHCOMBE was given permission to be mounted before the parade ring and to have a staff member assist with loading into the stalls. TOMAHAWK, SHARID, ASHCOMBE, PERAST, and CALL ME MAYBE were given permission to wear hoods to the start.

ASHCOMBE, unplaced, ridden by Ebrahim Nader, was slowly away from the stalls.

STRICTLY, unplaced, ridden by Qasim Jameel, was slowly away from the stalls and detached from the rest of the field in the early stages of the race.

ALTHAAFIR, unplaced, ridden by Adnan Jaffar, stumbled shortly after the road crossing soon after the start.

SHARID, placed 4th, ridden by Abdulla Al Hawaj, ran too free in the early stages of the race.

Lee Newman, the rider of SPACE X, unplaced, reported that the gelding ran flat. Hussain Asghar, the rider of CALL ME MAYBE, placed 3rd, dropped his whip approaching the 200m marker.

Husain Makki, the rider of PERAST, placed 2nd, was cautioned for using the whip with excessive frequency in the home straight.



Race 3 - 05:00 pm

WESTRIDGE (FR) and FASHION GIRL (GB) were given permission to wear hoods to the start. DARK JADE (GB) was given permission to be mounted from the pre-parade ring, go to the start early and have a staff member assist with loading into the stalls.

DARK JADE (GB), unplaced, ridden by Adnan Jaffar, was slowly away from the stalls.

FASHION GIRL (GB), ridden by Husain Makki, and BAMBALAM (FR), ridden by Lee Newman, both unplaced, ran too free in the early stages of the race.

WESTRIDGE (FR), placed 2nd, ridden by Ebrahim Nader, hung right-handed in the home straight.

Race 4 - 05:30 pm

PORSCHE CUP

MAHROUSA (GB), CHANNAGIDE (USA), YOUNG IRELAND (IRE) and MISS YVONNE (IRE) were given permission to wear hoods to the start.

Abdulla Faisal, the rider of the winner CHANNAGIDE (USA), dropped his whip approaching the 200m marker.

Race 5 - 06:00 pm

CAPRICORNUS was given permission to be mounted before the parade ring. PISCES was given permission to be mounted from the pre-parade ring. MASARAH, PISCES, WEWONITSIXTIMES, BUDVA, and NAJIRAN were given permission to wear hoods to the start.

THARB, ridden by Hasan Al Saffar, bolted part of the way to the start. The Veterinary surgeon examined the gelding and reported him fit to race.

CAPRICORNUS, ridden by Husain Makki and trained by Osama Hashim, refused to load into the stalls and was withdrawn at the start at 18:02. The Trainer was informed that CAPRICORNUS could not be entered for a race until the horse had passed a stalls test.

THARB, ridden by Hasan Al Saffar, and BUDVA, ridden by Husain Makki, both unplaced, ran too free in the early stages of the race.

Abdulla Faisal, the rider of PISCES, placed 2nd, was cautioned for using the whip with excessive frequency in the home straight.



The Stewards noted that in the home straight PISCES, placed 2nd, ridden by Abdulla Faisal, hung right-handed despite the rider's best efforts, causing DALAYIL, unplaced, ridden by Ebrahim Nader, to be short of room approaching the 400m marker, and then making slight contact with MISTER DOLLAR, placed 3rd, ridden by Soufiane Saadi, who shifted slightly left-handed inside the final 200m. Having reviewed the recordings, the Stewards were satisfied that no riding offence had been committed and took no further action.

Race 6 - 06:30 pm

BAHRAIN JEWELLERY CENTRE CUP

WINFORGLORY (IRE) and BURDETT (IRE) were given permission to be mounted from the pre-parade ring. COMPETIZIONE (FR), MR IRRELEVANT (IRE), BURDETT (IRE) and PURE DREAMER (GB) were given permission to wear hoods to the start. MR IRRELEVANT (IRE), placed 3rd, ridden by Hussain Asghar, and WINFORGLORY (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Hasan Al Saffar, both ran too free in the early stages of the race. MR IRRELEVANT (IRE) was also denied a clear run shortly after entering the home straight.

The Stewards enquired into possible interference on the run to the line between MR IRRELEVANT (IRE), placed 3rd, ridden by Hussain Asghar, and ASIMOV (GB), unplaced, ridden by Qasim Jameel. Having reviewed the recordings and interviewed the riders, the Stewards cautioned Hussain Asghar for careless riding for manoeuvring MR IRRELEVANT (IRE) into an insufficient gap, taking ASIMOV (GB) off his intended line.



Race 7 - 07:00 pm **THE JOCKEY CLUB CUP**

KOULIKORO (IRE), EIGHTH AVENUE (IRE) and NINE BELOW ZERO (GB) were given permission to be mounted from the pre-parade ring. WOJTEK (IRE), SUPERIOR (IRE), NINE BELOW ZERO (GB), KOULIKORO (IRE) and EIGHTH AVENUE (IRE) were given permission to wear hoods to the start. A staff member was given permission to assist with loading EIGHTH AVENUE (IRE) into the stalls.

KOULIKORO (IRE), ridden by Adnan Jaffar, was withdrawn at the start by the Veterinary Officer at 18:58.

EIGHTH AVENUE (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Qasim Jameel, was slowly away from the stalls, and hung left-handed from 400m out.

The Stewards noted that approaching the 400m, QUEEN EVIE (GB), unplaced, ridden by Hussain Asghar, made slight contact with JENA (IRE), unplaced, ridden by Moh'd Reha. Having reviewed the recordings, the Stewards were satisfied that no riding offence had been committed and took no further action.

Mark Lawson, the rider of NINE BELOW ZERO (GB), placed 3rd, was cautioned for using the whip with excessive frequency in the home straight.

Moh'd Redha, the rider of JENA (IRE), unplaced, was fined BD 50/- for using the whip with excessive frequency inside the final 400m and without allowing the horse sufficient time to respond on the run to the line.

The Regulatory Veterinary Officer reported that GALLOPING ON (IRE) was lame on his off-fore after the race, and HOTTEST WOOD (GB), trained by Mahmood Majeed, had bled from the nose.

Race 8 - 07:30 pm **PORSCHE SPRINT CUP**

NAWADI and RIYAHEEN were given permission to be mounted from the pre-parade ring. RETAJ, NAWADI, DEHAM and RIYAHEEN were given permission to wear hoods to the start.

The Stewards, acting on a report from the Regulatory Veterinary Officer, noted that RETAJ, trained by Osama Hashim, had not received the required booster vaccination under Annexe 9 – Vaccination Protocols. The Trainer was found in breach of Article 21.6 and fined BD 100/-. He was informed that RETAJ cannot run until the horse has completed a new primary vaccination course.



Yousif Taher, the trainer of DEHAM, requested that the gelding run in an eye cover that had not been declared. The Stewards granted permission for the eye cover to be used and cautioned him for failing to declare it at the declaration stage.

Robert McDowall, trainer of JADWA, and Abdulla Kuwaiti, trainer of GUMRIYAH, were both cautioned for failing to request permission for a hood to be worn to the start.

Hasan Ali, the rider of the winner, DEHAM, was cautioned for taking his hand off the reins and celebrating before the winning line.

NAAHY, placed 4th, ridden by Qasim Jameel, was slowly away from the stalls.

Race 9 - 08:00 pm

CASHEL, FURY, SAN DIEGO, MUHIMA, ALGHARBI, BALBOA, MITBAAHY, SKARINA and KHAWARA were given permission to wear hoods to the start.

SKARINA, ridden by Hussain Asghar and trained by Robert McDowall, was unruly in the stalls and was withdrawn by the Starter at 20:03. The Trainer was informed that SKARINA could not be entered for a race until the filly had passed a stalls test.

Rosie Jessop, the rider of CASHEL, unplaced, reported that the filly was denied a clear run approaching the 400m.

Mirko Sanna, the rider of ALGHARBI, unplaced, reported that the gelding ran green throughout the race.



Summary of Penalties Imposed

Race Number	Jockey/Trainer	Penalty	Offence	Article
Race 1 – 30 January 2026	Muanis Al Siyabi	Suspension 1 meeting (12 February 2026)	Whip – excessive frequency	20.19
Race 1 – 30 January 2026	Hussain Asghar	Fine BD 100/-	Whip – excessive frequency	20.19
1	Mark Lawson	Fine BD 100/-	Whip – excessive frequency	20.19
2	Husain Makki	Caution	Whip – excessive frequency	20.19
5	Abdulla Faisal	Caution	Whip – excessive frequency	20.19
6	Hussain Asghar	Caution	Careless riding	37.24.3
7	Moh'd Redha	Fine BD 50/-	Whip – excessive frequency and no time to respond	20.19
7	Mark Lawson	Caution	Whip – excessive frequency	20.19
8	Yousif Taher	Caution	Failure to declare an eye cover by the deadline	20.23
8	Osama Hashim	Fine BD 100/-	Failure to adhere to vaccination protocols	21.6
8	Abdulla Kuwaiti	Caution	Failure to request to wear a hood to start	20.25
8	Robert McDowall	Caution	Failure to request to wear a hood to start	20.25
8	Hasan Ali	Caution	Celebrating before the winning line	37.13.1.



Horses Suspended

Horse	Reason	Period of Suspension
CAPRICORNUS	Failed to load	Until passed stalls test
HOTTEST WOOD (GB)	Bled from the nose	12 weeks
SKARINA	Unruly in the stalls	Until passed stalls test

Post-race horses sampled:

1. AL MA'ANAGY 1971
2. TOMAHAWK, THE LAST CALL
3. AZKA (FR), WESTRIDGE (FR)
4. CHANNAGIDE (USA)
5. MOWJA, THARB
6. ATHAN (ARG), LOVE IS THE LAW (IRE)
7. WOJTEK (IRE), GALLOPING ON (IRE)
8. DEHAM
9. FURY