



TURFTIMES

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Chairman speaks



Dear Members,
Season's Greetings, Dushera Greetings and Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous Deepavalli. The term of the existing Committee would be drawing to an end in a couple of days, with the Annual General Body Meeting of the Club just

round the corner.

The year on the verge of conclusion was eventful, with the Club being focused on long term goals. A number of initiatives have been taken, both from the financial and administrative perspective towards enhancing the profile of the Club, as outlined in the Committee's Report, which is already in your hands. The Club is committed to providing clean and competitive racing and all efforts are being made to provide a favourable environment from all angles to achieve the objective of attracting the best of horses and providing wholesome entertainment to our valued racing patrons. The Club is seized of the need to render the Rules of Racing contemporaneous in nature and to raise the standards of professionalism, with revised norms for licensing Trainers and Jockeys on the anvil.

Despite the gloom cast over the funding of the sport of racing in the backdrop of deduction of 30% tax at source on stakes, the summer season was successfully conducted. This was possible due to the cooperation received from all sections of the racing fraternity, particularly Owners, Trainers, Jockeys and stable employees and I must acknowledge their support to racing and its conduct without any untoward incident.

There are many challenges ahead and the Club will spare no efforts in ensuring longevity of racing. While our efforts to negotiate with the Government of Karnataka continue relentlessly, the Club seeks the support of Members, both individually and collectively in addressing these challenges. The Annual General Body Meeting of the Club scheduled on Monday, 29th September 2014 at the Club will provide us an opportunity to discuss and evolve a roadmap on the inter-related issues of the future of the sport of horse racing and the tenure of the existing Racecourse.

While laying down office, I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the Committee, to individually thank Members for their support so readily extended for the past one year and for their valuable suggestions in revitalizing the glorious sport of horse racing. On this

occasion, I would like to join Members in wishing the incoming Committee all success in future and in furthering the progress of the Club. I am sure that together, we could place our Club on the international circuit of horse racing.

Thank you once again.

Yours in Racing,

Harimohan Naidu

Editors notes



We are back with the final letter of the year. The elections are round the corner and a fresh team will be in operation from 30th September 2014. This Committee has enjoyed working together in service of your organization, especially under the able captaincy of our Chairman. It's really heartening to feel that so much good work could be achieved in one year. It is all due to the encouragement of the various Sub Committee Members, like-minded Committee Members and above all the support and cooperation of you, the Members. Many changes have been brought about in the larger interest of the institution and its future development. The summary and details of various decisions taken during the year have been brought to the knowledge of Members in the earlier issues.

We have had a good summer season with a lot of competitive racing. I am sure the same trend will continue during the winter season, and draw your participation in large numbers. I must say with pride that the last summer season passed off without any hitch and we appreciate the support of all professionals involved in the sport.

Financial prudence and organizational changes have proven to be result-oriented, gearing the Club towards better stewardship. Measures to enhance corporate governance of this organization with a turnover of Rs. 1600 crores will reap benefits in a year or two. Second-level management and succession plans have been recognized and various steps for implementation have been taken. Achievements of this year's Committee have been brought out along with the Annual Accounts scheduled to be taken up for confirmation on 29th September 2014 at the Annual General Meeting.

Let me conclude by saying that what has been done is a drop in the ocean and more remains to be accomplished in the years ahead. With a great sense of satisfaction, we thank you for your cooperation, faith and support.

To strive, to seek, to find and never to yield!

Regards,

C. Srivatsan

Key Committee decisions which are being implemented:

1. Renovation of Main Office - work stations for officers and for the staff have been re-designed and installation has been done for Racing Officials and their staff including renovation of Secretary's Office.
2. Sand track renovation work both inner and outer has been undertaken wherever required.
3. Modular Drainage System Work at Inner Sand Track, Outer Sand Track and Main Grass Track has been undertaken to provide a good drainage system which will help in preventing the water stagnation and to provide a good surface condition for both racing and practicing track for horses.
4. A 32 Tons dynamic "lifter organic fertilizer" has been ordered to be used as organic manure to the main grass track for seasonal renovation programme to enrich the nutrient status of the track.
5. New Barrier International Railings is being erected for which the existing cement posts are being uprooted and being replaced with new railings.
6. The work of fabricating and supplying the ROUND BASE for the new moving railings has been ordered.
7. Introduction of Tally ERP System and integration of all departments are being done and it is expected to be in operation in about 10 months time.
8. Fixing of Acrylic Sheet in the Subway.
9. To purchase one Innova Car.
10. Based on the appeal received from BBMP authorities the following gardens will be maintained by the Club after a formal approval from the BBMP Authorities.

The triangular garden, opposite to Gate No.4, on the Race Course Road will be maintained by the Club.

The enclosed area adjoining the compound wall of the Race Course on the Seshadri Road would be turned into a garden and maintained by the Club.

Persons Appointed

1. Mr. M.N. Shekar has taken charge as new HR Manager.
2. Mr. S.G. Mariba Shetty has taken charge as new Security & Vigilance Manager.

Performance Evaluation during the year

1. The Club has been able to declare the net income of Rs. 4.67 crores for the year 2013-14.
2. Additional 300 numbers of IBM terminals at a cost of Rs. 1 crore was added to increase the totalizers turnover.
3. Photofinish camera was imported.
4. A chain link mesh has been installed around the Riding School to secure the safety of horses and riders.
5. Comprehensive policy in regard to human resources covering recruitment, retirement, training, motivation, work manuals and performance appraisal was introduced.
6. Proper steps were initiated to usher in a sturdy organisational structure and streamline reporting procedures.
7. Efforts were taken to strengthen the intermediary level of management and appointment of HR Manager and Security Manager.
8. The excess staff employed are being reduced and substantial savings are being achieved. The employees beyond the age of 60 are being gradually retired from service with retirement benefits.
9. Purchase procedures have been formalised towards strengthening internal control and achieving accountability and transparency.
10. Working system and manuals for all the departments are under finalisation.
11. Surface drain in the low level area was relaid.
12. Thirteen Numbers of Samsung LED Televisions were installed.
13. Toilets in the first enclosure renovated.
14. The Members Enclosure at the Thoroughbred Counter has been relocated next to the VIP Lounge to ensure exclusivity and alongside limited number of Boxes available in the Members Enclosure on the first and second floors have been re-allotted on a first cum first serve basis on payment of Rs. 1,000/- per box per year.
15. A bio-metric based entry regulatory system has been installed at the Club at a cost of Rs. 32.40 lakhs to authenticate entry to Members and Owners / Trainers enclosures and designated stands.
16. Bookmakers in the second enclosure have been closed and additional terminals have been installed.
17. Integrated software has been finalised and implementation is under progress so that all activities of all the departments including racing section will be under one fold.

Legal Matters

a) The Civil Appeal Nos. 2416/2003 & 49/2006 filed by the Bangalore Turf Club Limited and Royal Western India Turf Club Ltd. respectively against ESI were finally heard by a three judge bench and delivered judgement on 31.07.2014 holding that the BTC Ltd. and RWITC Ltd. would fall within the meaning of the word 'Shop' as mentioned in Notification issued under the ESI Act. Accordingly, are liable for coverage.

b) The TDS on Stake Money Judgement reserved.

AGM

29th September 2014 at 4.00 P.M

List of Candidates for Stewards

1. Mr. N. Harindra Shetty
2. Mr. Kenneth Pinto
3. Mr. G. Krishnappa
4. Mr. H. Kumara Swamy
5. Mr. M. Lokesh
6. Mr. A.C. Satish Chandra

List of Candidates for Committee

1. Mr. Dayanand R. Mandre
2. Mr. K. Harish Nayak
3. Mr. A.V. Jayaprakash
4. Capt. Lingaraju B.L

Obituary:

Mr. Vinay Kumar Poddar : Expired on 11.7.2014

Dr. T. Thimmaiah : Expired on 17.07.2014

May their soul rest in peace.

Club News

Major events during the last two months:

THE BTC ANNIVERSARY CUP

Won by : Machiavellianism

Owned by : Pratap Raceiment Pvt. Ltd. represented by Mr.D. Pratap Chandar Reddy & Ashish Bajaj & Vijay Racing & Farms Pvt. Ltd. represented by M/s. Vijay Kumar Gupta & Susheel Kumar Gupta

Trained by : Mr. L.V.R. Deshmukh

Ridden by : Imran Chisty.

THE KINGFISHER DERBY BANGALORE

Won by : Be Safe

Owned by : Dr. M.A.M. Ramaswamy

Trained by : Mr. M. Narredu Ridden by : Suraj Narredu

THE BANGALORE ST.LEGER

Won by : Amazing Grace

Owned by : United Racing and BloodStock Breeders Ltd.

rep. By Dr. & Mrs. Vijay Mallya

Trained by : Mr. P. Shroff Ridden by : P. Trevor

THE BANGALORE SUMMER MILLION

Won by : Godspeed

Owned by : Stride Horse Racing Pvt. Ltd.

rep. By Dr. Ram. H. Shroff &

Mr. Sameer H. Tapia's

Trained by : Mr. M. Narredu Ridden by : Suraj Narredu

THE BANGALORE CITY GOLD CUP

Won by : Shivalik Star

Owned by M/s Ajith Prasad, Benly Abraham &

Chirtturi Krishna Kannaiah's

Trained by : Mr. Arjun Mangalorkar Ridden by : S. John

THE GOVERNOR CUP

Won by : Isn't She Special

Owned by : Capt. Jamshed J. Appoo

Trained by : Mr. S. Padmanabhan

Ridden by : A. Sandesh

THE BANGALORE OAKS

Won by : Wingedfoot

Owned by : Mr. Dilip Thomas, rep. Rajagiri Rubber & Produce Ltd.

Trained by : Mr. Arjun Mangalorkar

Ridden by : S. John

We welcome suggestions or feedback from any member of BTC, or even a write-up on racing related aspects which may be of interest to others. Please do send us your valuable inputs to share with others.

Racing Fixtures

SEPTEMBER 2014

25th	Thursday	Mysore
26th	Friday	Mysore
(Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club Mysore 2000 Guineas)		
27th	Saturday	Pune
(Nimal Ruia Gold Trophy)		
28th	Sunday	Pune
(Signature Indian St. Leger)		
29th	Monday	Delhi
30th	Tuesday	Mysore

OCTOBER 2014

1st	Wednesday	Mysore
2nd	Thursday	Hyderabad
(Vijay Textiles Deccan Derby)		
3rd	Friday	Pune
4th	Saturday	Pune
5th	Sunday	Kolkata
(Derby)		
6th	Monday	Hyderabad
7th	Tuesday	Delhi
8th	Wednesday	Delhi
9th	Thursday	Mysore
10th	Friday	Mysore
(Governor's Cup)		
11th	Saturday	Pune
12th	Sunday	Pune
(Nanoli Stud Pune Derby)		
13th	Monday	Hyderabad
14th	Tuesday	Kolkata
15th	Wednesday	Kolkata
16th	Thursday	Delhi
17th	Friday	Pune
18th	Saturday	Mysore
19th	Sunday	Mysore
(Derby)		
20th	Monday	Hyderabad
(St. Leger)		
21st	Tuesday	Hyderabad
22nd	Wednesday	Delhi
23rd	Thursday	Mysore
24th	Friday	Mysore
25th	Saturday	Pune
26th	Sunday	Pune
27th	Monday	Delhi
28th	Tuesday	Delhi
30th	Thursday	Delhi

(Above dates are subject to alteration)



Governor's Cup
presented by His Excellency Dr. K. Rosaiah,
Governor of Karnataka



Bangalore Summer Million
presented by Mr. B.K. Hariprasad,
Member of Parliament



Members of the Managing Committee at the concluding day, Bangalore Summer Meeting 2014