



Senior Judges Report

Name of Track	Rideau Carleton	Ottawa		
Date	Sunday 21 April 2024	Post Time	1830 hours	
Weather	Races 1 - 8: Cloudy (Temp: 8° C) Races 9 - 11: Snow (Temp: 4° C)	Wind: 23 km/h (West)	Wind: 27 km/h (NorthWest)	
Track Condition	Races 1 - 8: Fast (Variant 0 secs) Races 9 - 11: Good (Variant 1 sec)			
Number of Races	11	Qualifying races	Ø	Total Entries 89/90
Mutual Handle	\$301,451			
Contact Vet	Paddock Meeting	Track Maintenance Meeting	Investigator Visit	Outgoing Senior Judge Update

Senior Judge	Associate Judge	Associate Judge
Weber, Michael	Coles, Sharla	Rourke, Katelynn

Report on day's events:

(Accidents, claims, fines and/or suspensions, objections and/or disqualifications, refunds and any other pertinent incidents)

Office:

- Luc Loyer attended the Judges Office to discuss requirements to regain his driver's licence for overnight events.
- Interview with Racing Manager Peter Andrusek and Stabling Manager Alain Thibert concerning an incident in the backstretch during the qualifying races on 17 April. A report from Hard Rock (Rideau Carleton) security was provided; investigation ongoing.
- Early Judges scratch (injured) of LORY MARCHANDISE from the first race by AGCO Veterinarian Dr. L. Atack-Berthiaume.
- Review with driver Drew Smyth concerning his urging of ROCK N ZEUS in the fifth race on 14 April. After reviewing the race video and discussing acceptable urging with the participant it was adjudged that Mr. Smyth had violated AGCO rules 22.23.01(b) (excessive urging), 22.23.02(b) (more than acceptable wrist action) and 22.19 (contacting a horse with a foot) and was assessed a five hundred dollar (\$500) monetary penalty and fifteen (15) day driving suspension (22 April to 6 May, inclusive) per AGCO Policy Directive 3-2019; third violation of the urging rules within a period of one year (Number 2619679).
- Review with Drew Smyth concerning his conduct during a telephone conversation with the Race Officials at Rideau Carleton following the seventh race on 14 April; Mr. Smyth was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rules 6.02(a) (use of offensive or profane

language), 6.17(b) (insulting, offensive and improper language), 6.17(c) (improper conduct) and 6.20(b) (misconduct prejudicial to the best interests of racing) and is assessed a five hundred dollar (\$500) monetary penalty and full suspension of ten (10) days (7-16 May, inclusive) (Number 2619681).

Races:

- Yves Corbin and Drew Smyth each excused from one drive.
1. Inquiry on the performance of #8 INUKSHUK SALLY (Guy Gagnon) who broke after the start; while off stride #8 did cause interference to #7 CHESUSMURPHYJOSEPH (Drew Smyth); #8 finished fifth in a dead heat placed ninth (AGCO rule 22.09).
Driver of #9 VIVI Z, Kyle Forgie, will attend a review regarding his urging around the last turn and in the stretch. Clear.
 2. The #5 ALLSTAR BALLERINA (Kyle Forgie) suffered broken equipment (flat tire) after the start and finished with broken equipment. The #2 LITTLE JOE (Richard Simard) finished distanced and must qualify for performance (trainer notified). Clear.
 3. Inquiry on #4 CROSSFIT (Pascal Berube) who broke after the start and finished fourth; no violation of the breaking rules by #4 and no change to the order of finish; #4 must qualify for breaks in consecutive races on a fast track (trainer notified).
Video: <https://youtu.be/m3TxJGrYurE>
The #1 IMA STANDUP GUY (Robert Shepherd) suffered broken equipment (trotting hopple) in the stretch and finished with broken equipment. Clear.
 4. Driver of #1 THEDOGINTHEFIGHT, Guy Gagnon, was cautioned regarding his urging in the stretch. Clear.
 5. Driver of #3 ROCKNROLL NATION, Stephane Brosseau, was cautioned regarding his urging in the stretch. Clear.
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 7. Clear.
 8. Clear.
 9. Clear.
 10. Driver of #3 CANDID CAMERON, Melanie Plourde, will attend a review regarding her urging in the stretch. Clear.
 11. The #8 HOWMAC VICTOR (Robert Shepherd) suffered broken equipment (shoe) after the start and finished with broken equipment. Clear.

Claims:

- 4 #7 BRING YOUR FIRE (2 claims) for \$10,500 by Mickey Sudar (Cameron McQueen trainer).