



Senior Judges Report

Name of Track	Rideau Carleton	Ottawa			
Date	Wednesday 26 April 2023	Post Time	1900 hours		
Weather	Races 1 - 10: Cloudy (Temp: 9° C)	Wind:	6 km/h (West)		
Track Condition	Races 1 - 10: Fast (Variant 0 secs)				
Number of Races	10	Qualifying races	2 SC	Total Entries	74/79
Mutual Handle	\$216,533				
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:

- Discussed track access safety with Racing Manager Peter Andrusek concerning participants using the same gate to enter and exit the track. Mr. Andrusek will address the issue.
- Review held with driver Drew Smyth concerning his conduct towards the Race Officials following the tenth race on 26 April. Decision reserved.
- Verified the paddock protocol to validate horse identity using the RFID reader with the Paddock Judge (Ernie O'Dwyer) and Equipment Judge (Ken Guy).
- Early Judges scratches (ineligible) of PREMIER STAR from the second race as this horse remains on the Judge's list until a valid Coggins test is presented and ROCKINMYDREAM from the eighth race as this horse was claimed the previous start (AGCO rule 15.06).
- Early Judges scratch (injured) of TALKIN AGAIN from the tenth race.

Races:

1. Start delayed due to broken equipment (flat tire) on #6 HONEY BEE FIRST (Stephane Pouliot). Recall as #4 PACIFIC ROLL (Jacques Beaudoin) would not turn. The #9 SISTER TWISTER (Guy Gagnon) broke stretch and finish and was lapped on by #4; #9 finished sixth placed seventh (AGCO rule 22.27). The #2 AUDACITY OF HOPE (Jason Gilchrist) must qualify due to breaks in two consecutive races on a fast track (trainer notified). Clear.

2. The #4 MASTER FENCER (Jimmy Gagnon) suffered broken equipment (hobble) before the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile pole and subsequently broke (charted with an equipment break) and finished with broken equipment.

Inquiry on the performance of #2 WELLWORTHTHEWAIT (Guy Gagnon) who broke before the $\frac{1}{4}$ mile pole and finished third; no violation of the breaking rules by #2. This horse was examined post race by the AGCO veterinarian (Dr. M. Rocheleau) and placed on the short term (seven days) veterinarians list due to lameness. Clear.

Video: <https://youtu.be/2fSjIya4VMg>

3. The #6 MONTANABLACKANGEL (Pascal Berube) broke before and after the $\frac{1}{4}$ mile pole and must qualify for breaks in two consecutive races on a fast track (trainer notified). Clear.
4. Reviewed the performance of #1 RAYS KREDIT (Jason Gilchrist) before the $\frac{1}{4}$ mile pole concerning leaving the course; #1 struck one pylon, went inside one pylon and struck the subsequent pylon; no violations. Reviewed the performance of #5 ROCK N ZEUS (Robbie Robinson) who broke after the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile pole; this horse must qualify for breaks in two consecutive races on a fast track (trainer notified). Clear.
5. Clear.
6. Discussed race pace with the driver of #3 PERFECT DALIANCE, Mike Healey, concerning the second quarter (26⁴ 57¹ 126² 155¹); as Mr. Healey did not impede the progress of the trailing horses, and considering the class, the Panel does not consider this a violation of AGCO rule 22.05.01(k) (pace comparable to class). Clear.
7. Clear.
8. Clear.
9. Inquiry on the performance of #5 DONATOVER (Stephane Brosseau); #5 broke before the start, did not have broken equipment, had passed the fair start pole when the starter released the field and did receive a fair start. Clear.

Video: <https://youtu.be/KGROSN0sFUJ>

10. The #7 BEST HONEY HANOVER (Robbie Robinson) suffered broken equipment (flat tire) after the start and finished with broken equipment. Clear.

Claims: None