



Senior Judges Report

Name of Track	Rideau Carleton	Ottawa			
Date	Sunday 29 October 2023	Post Time	1830 hours		
Weather	Races 1 - 11: Overcast (Temp: 5° C)	Wind:	6 km/h (East)		
Track Condition	Races 1 - 11: Fast (Variant 0 secs)				
Number of Races	11	Qualifying races	2 SC	Total Entries	86/98
Mutual Handle	\$341,053				
Contact Vet	Paddock Meeting	Track Maintenance Meeting	Investigator Visit	Outgoing Senior Judge Update	

Senior Judge	Associate Judge	Associate Judge
Weber, Michael	Coles, Sharla	Dorion, John (remote)

Report on day's events:

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

Office:

- Early veterinary scratches of MOLLY MOOSE (sick) from the fourth race, MCABBY (lame) from the fifth race and HIGHLANDBEACHSBEST (sick) from the ninth race; these horses are entered on the short term (seven days) Veterinarians list.
- Educational review with driver Antonio Vecchio concerning his urging of PRETTYDIVA in the sixth race on 15 October; after reviewing the video and discussing urging by the participant, a drivers' responsibility to have complete control of his horse at all times and possible outcomes, Mr. Vecchio will adjust his driving to remain in compliance with AGCO rules 22.23.03(c) (urging only within the confines of the sulky) and 22.23.04(d) (have control of their horse at all times) in future.
- Review with driver Antonio Vecchio concerning possible interference to SUNNY SICILY (Stephane Brosseau) in the stretch while driving PRETTYDIVA in the ninth race on 19 October; after reviewing the video and discussing the race with Mr. Vecchio he was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rule 22.05.01(a) (bear out causing interference) and assessed a three day driving suspension (2-4 November, inclusive) (Number 2407829).
- Review with driver Melanie Plourde concerning her urging of WHATS IN THE ESKY in the sixth race on 26 October; the race video, acceptable urging practices and penalty structure were discussed with Ms. Plourde. Decision reserved.
- Discussed enclosing the shipping barn with Racing Manager Peter Andrusek; construction will begin this week and is expected to be completed prior to the next racing card on Thursday.

Races:

- Philippe Trudeau and Pascal Berube each excused from one drive.
- 1. Driver of #6 LA BARBE, Justin Fillion, was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rule 22.23.03(b) (more than acceptable wrist action) and Policy Directive 3-2019 and was assessed a \$200 monetary penalty and driving suspension of three (3) days (1-3 November, inclusive) (Number 2407862). Clear.
- 2. Driver of #3 JIMS BIG THRILL, Kyle Forgie, will attend a review regarding his urging in the stretch. Clear.
- 3. Clear.
- Post race the groom of #5 THE LIGHT SPEED was hit when the horse swung suddenly while being unhitched and may have been struck in the head; examined by Emergency Medical Personnel and sent to hospital by ambulance for observation and tests.
- 4. Clear.
- 5. Clear.
- 6. Clear.
- 7. Start delayed due to #3 TUF COOPER (Ted McDonald) being improperly equipped; Starter Jamie Fiolek will hold a review with Mr. McDonald regarding this delay.
- 8. Reviewed racing between #3 ROCKINMYDREAM (Mike Healey), who finished second, and #8 WESTERN PHIL (Guy Gagnon), who finished fourth, in the stretch; no violations. Clear.
- 9. The #9 PERSISTANT BOY (William Roy) broke after the start and must qualify for breaks in three consecutive races (trainer notified). Clear.
- 10. Driver of #4 ROCK N ZEUS, Drew Smyth, will attend a review regarding his urging in the stretch. Clear.
- 11. Clear.

Claims:

- 8 #1 ROCKNROLL NATION (1 claim) for \$10,625 by Michel Grenier (Alain Martin trainer).