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# **Senior Stewards Report**

Name of Track		Ajax			
Date		Wednesday, 12 August 2020 Post-time 12:55			
Weather		Race 1 - 10: Temp: +28C Wind from the west at 10kmh			
Track Conditions		Fast			
Number of Races		10			
Scratches Ve	et:	3 Stewards: 6 Track: 0			

Senior Steward	Associate Steward	Associate Steward
Allan T. Stiff	Frederick E. Brethour	Peter Gillies (C.A.R.)

**Report on day's Events:** (Backstretch - accidents, fines, suspensions, objections, disqualifications, refunds, pertinent incidents, general details etc., Film Reviews, Races, Claims)

#### Backstretch:

- Notification of positive test.
  Horse: Me Zoomn By
  Tag: 70 20204 001
  Date: July 22, 2020 Race 1, finished first
  Trainer: Tom Dunlap
  The sample contained Flunixin
  Mr. Dunlap was notified by telephone.
- Several Trainers raised concerns to the Stewards about the eligibility of the horse Blue Eyed Merlin in todays third race. The horse was placed on the starters list after its last race on August 5, 2020. The horse was entered on Friday August 7, 2020. The horse did not come off the Starters list until Sunday August 9, 2020. The Stewards scratched the horse as he was entered while ineligible by virtue of the fact the horse was on the starters list. Trainer Barry Wood was notified.
- The Stewards held a review with Trainer Jason Pascoe and his owner Milena Kwiecien concerning the horse Country Fried Chicken that race on July 15, 2020 in race 1. The horse finished second and was not eligible to race in an Ontario Bred and Registered

race. The horse was not registered to the program until after the race on July 16, 2020. Decision reserved.

- The Stewards also held a review with Race Secretary Allen Hadley and General Manager Emilio Trotta. We explained that we had concerns about the amount of horses making it into the entries that were not eligible. We also explained that it was concerning to us that we were not notified about the horse Country Fried Chicken who had raced while ineligible while the association was aware of it. Decision reserved.
- A late overweight was reported and announced to the public for Jockey Ed Walton prior to race 3. The Clerk of the scales said he failed to notify the announcer prior to the races.
- Time checks complete

#### Race 1:

- All Clear

#### Race 2:

Inquiry, Jockeys claim of foul #2 Jess Gunnin (Ed Walton), (finsihed 6<sup>th</sup>) on #3 Jess a Wee Drink (Cassandra Jeschke), (finished 1<sup>st</sup>).
 #2 stumbles on the break and is away slow. The #3 does come over but the #2 had already compromised its own start. Jockeys claim of foul was disallowed.

Inquiry Video: <u>https://youtu.be/4zD2AaeuNC4</u>

#### Race 3:

- #3 Hanover Hill Vixen (Ed Walton), (DNF). Broke from the gate poorly, pulled up and did not finish. The Jockey said the horse switched leads and felt funny so he pulled him up. The Commission Veterinarian examined the horse and said he was fine.

#### Race 4:

- #2 Unceremoniously (Brain Bell), (finished 4<sup>th</sup>) stumbles on the break. #3 Heros Return (Tony Phillips), (finished 5<sup>th</sup>) hit the side of the gate and broke poorly.

#### Race 5:

- Late veterinarian scratch of #2 AH Candyland Trained by Michelle Woodley.
- All Clear

#### Race 6:

- All Clear

#### Race 7:

- All Clear

## Race 8:

- All Clear

## Race 9:

- #5 Sparka Winning Shake was fractious in the gate and was subsequently scratched by the Commission Veterinarian.
- #1 El Finito Tee (Tony Phillips), (finished 4<sup>th</sup>). Was away very slowly.

### Race 10:

- #5 Jess as Sweet as Me (Regan Knowles), (finished 7th) was away slow

Handle: \$80,432