



Senior Judges Report

Name of Track	Rideau Carleton	Ottawa			
Date	Sunday 6 August 2023	Post Time	1830 hours		
Weather	Races 1 - 11: Clear (Temp: 26° C)	Wind:	3 km/h (NorthWest)		
Track Condition	Races 1 - 11: Fast (Variant 0 secs)				
Number of Races	11	Qualifying races	3 SC	Total Entries	86/89
Mutual Handle	\$386,638				
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:

- Program correction for ROCKINMYDREAM; this horse is trained by Stephane Mayer.
- Trainer Brian Scott attended the Judges office to receive disclosure regarding the positive result for altrenogest (class 4) from WELLWORTHTHEWAIT on 20 July in race 2 at Rideau Carleton.
- Trainer transfer of SHES ROCK (1WP20) from Carol Voyer to Isabelle Darveau is approved.
- Early Judges scratch (injured) of RED CAPE PARTY from the first race.
- Early Veterinary scratch (sick) of TIA from the third race; this horse is entered on the short term (seven days) Veterinarians list.
- Driver Mike Healey was deemed to be in violation of AGCO rule 22.03(j)(vii) (failure to come into position and remain in position behind the starting gate) by Starter Jamie Fiolek while driving SHADOW DAVE in the eighth race on 23 July and is assessed a \$100 monetary penalty (Number 2293583).

Races:

- Melanie Plourde and Drew Smyth each excused from one drive.
1. Video replay unavailable due to technical problems. Clear.
 2. Clear.

3. Reviewed the performance of #2 DGS LORIJEANNE (Stephane Pouliot), who finished fifth, in the last turn; #3 did go inside one pylon which is not a violation and did not gain an advantage; no placing. Reviewed the performance of #3 LORY MARCHANDISE (Claude Larose) before the ¼ mile pole and determined that this horse did break. Clear.
4. Queried the driver of #5 BLOCKBUSTER TRADE, Robert Shepherd, regarding his left foot being out of the stirrup in the stretch; the explanation of Mr. Shepherd that he was pulling the ear plugs was accepted although he was cautioned that his foot may travel towards the horse when doing so. Clear.
5. Discussed race pace (26³ 56³) with the driver of #5 FLASH CUBE, Guy Gagnon, concerning the second quarter; after reviewing the race video and speaking with Mr. Gagnon no regulatory action is required although he was cautioned regarding a drivers obligation to set a pace comparable to class. Clear.
6. Inquiry on #6 STREET ART (Donald Jobin) concerning possibly leaving the course before the ¾ mile pole; after reviewing the race video it was determined that #6 did go inside two consecutive pylons and contact the following pylon, #6 was not lapped on at the finish therefore no placing per AGCO rule 18.08.02(a); no penalty to Mr. Jobin as the horse is clearly on one line. Clear.

Video: https://youtu.be/NriQO_CjzM8

7. The #6 HOWMAC VICTOR (Jason Gilchrist) finished distanced and must qualify for performance (trainer notified); this horse was examined by the AGCO veterinarian, Dr. M. Rocheleau, post race and entered on the long term (14 days) Veterinarians list (sick). Clear.
8. Recall due to broken equipment (overcheck) on #6 HOWIES MAN (Daniel Dulude). Reviewed the break by #4 COOLSUNSHINE (William Roy) after the ¾ mile pole; while off stride #4 did cause interference to #7 ATEYATEFNGERSLOUIE (Ryan Guy); no placing necessary as #4 finished eighth (last); #8 qualifies for breaks in two consecutive races on a fast track (trainer notified). Clear.
9. Inquiry and drivers objection concerning possible interference by #8 IRRESITIBLE (Guy Gagnon), who finished second, on THE MIDNIGHT TRAIN (Jimmy Gagnon), who finished seventh, after the start; after reviewing the race video and speaking with both drivers (Jimmy Gagnon stated that #8 contacted his wheel and almost tipped him over; Guy Gagnon stated there was no contact) it was determined there was no interference; objection disallowed. Clear.

Video: <https://youtu.be/tPDiqjHLC30>

10. Reviewed the break by #5 OFFICER JONES (Jason Gilchrist) after the ½ mile pole; it was determined that #5 jumped over a broken pylon causing the break (charted with an interference break); while off stride #5 did cause interference to #7 SHADOW MARGEUX (Robert Shepherd); no placing. Clear.
11. Clear.
 - 10 #3 ASSASSINS CREED (1 claim) for \$8,500 by Pierre-Marc Longpre (PM Longpre trainer).