



## Senior Judges Report

<b>Name of Track</b>	Rideau Carleton	Ottawa			
<b>Date</b>	Sunday 7 April 2024	<b>Post Time</b>	1830 hours		
<b>Weather</b>	Races 1 - 11: Clear (Temp: 13° C)	<b>Wind:</b>	9 km/h (NorthWest)		
<b>Track Condition</b>	Races 1 - 11: Fast (Variant 0 secs)				
<b>Number of Races</b>	11	<b>Qualifying races</b>	Ø	<b>Total Entries</b>	91/92
<b>Mutual Handle</b>	\$389,255				
Contact Vet	Paddock Meeting	Track Maintenance Meeting	Investigator Visit	Outgoing Senior Judge Update	

<b>Senior Judge</b>	<b>Associate Judge</b>	<b>Associate Judge</b>
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:

- Review held with driver Mike Healey concerning interference to FRIAR VOLTAIRE while driving SHADOW DAVE in the first race on 24 March; after discussing the race video, and hearing the explanation of the participant, Mr. Healey was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rule 22.05.01(a) (bear out causing interference) and assessed a driving suspension of three days (1-3 May, inclusive) (Number 2600861).
- Early Judges scratch (wrong class) of IRRESISTIBLE from the fourth race.

### Races:

1. The #1 BESTGIRL IN TOWN (Melanie Plourde) refused the starting gate twice and was a Judges scratch on the advice of Starter Jamie Fiolek (AGCO rule 22.03(f)); refund: \$2235; #1 must qualify for starting and performance (trainer notified). Reviewed racing at the top of the stretch between #6 ILLICIT AFFAIR (Pascal Berube) and #8 BATTLE OF YORK (Stephane Pouliot); #6 was running out badly causing #8 to move out (charted with interference), no placing necessary. The #7 LORY MARCHANDISE (Donald Jobin) suffered broken equipment (knee boot) after the 1/2 mile pole and finished with broken equipment. Clear.
2. Inquiry concerning possible interference on #6 SHADOW DAVE (Mike Healey) after the start; after reviewing the race video and speaking with the drivers of #4 WATCHA STRIKESFAME, Donald Jobin who stated #6 drove up and contacted his wheel, #5 WATCH HER GO, Melanie Plourde who stated #6 had contacted the front leg of her horse, and #7 SHOWDOWN the fourth place finisher, Robert Shepherd who stated he

did not bear in on #4, it was determined that #6 had been driven between #4 and #5 without sufficient clearance, had contacted the wheel of #4 causing #6 to break and thereafter while off stride caused interference to #5 (charted with an interference break); no placing necessary as #6 finished ninth (last). Driver Mike Healey will attend a review regarding AGCO rules 22.05.01 (h) (strike another sulky) and (a) (interference causing a horse to break). Clear.

Video (front tower): <https://youtu.be/mbl6XADNjdg>

Video (back tower): <https://youtu.be/6HnBbSro5D0>

3. Reviewed the performance of #7 DA CINNAMONCRUNCH (Ryan Guy) at the ½ mile pole; #7 was rough and did put in a few steps but did not break. Clear.
4. Clear.
5. Clear.
6. Reviewed the break by #1 HURRIKANE CHEYENNE (Robert Shepherd) before the ¾ mile pole; while off stride #1 did cause interference to #3 BRODYS SCRAPPER (Mike Healey); no placing necessary as #1 finished ninth (last). Clear.
7. Driver of #4 SHOTGUN JERRY, Stephane Pouliot, was cautioned regarding his urging in the stretch. Clear.
8. Clear.
9. Reviewed the performance of the race winner #2 UBER HANOVER (Robert Shepherd) after the start; #2 did contact one pylon, go inside the next and contact the subsequent pylon; no violation of the inner rail rule. Mr. Shepherd was cautioned regarding his urging after the ¾ mile pole. Clear.
10. Inquiry on #4 IMA STANDUP GUY (Ryan Guy); #4 broke before the start and had not reached the fair start pole when the starter released the field; refund: \$10,513 (AGCO rule 22.03(l)); #2 was entered on the Starter's List and must qualify (trainer notified). Clear.  
Video: <https://youtu.be/avpAUOsxXBk>
11. The #3 SUNNY BO (Stephane Pouliot) suffered broken equipment (overcheck) after the start and was victorious with broken equipment. Clear.

**Claims:** None