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Senior Judges Report

Name of Track	Rideau Carleton		Ottawa	
Date	Thursday 18 July 2019		Post Time	18:30
Weather	Race 1 - 9: Clear (Temp: 25 deg. C)			
Track Condition	Race 1 - 9: Fast (Variant 0 secs)			
Number of Races	9	Qualifying races	Total Entries	60/70
Mutual Handle	\$80,005			
Contact Vet	Paddock Meeting	x	Track Maintenance Meeting	Investigator Visit
				Outgoing Senior Judge Update

Senior Judge	Associate Judge	Associate Judge
Weber, Michael	Coles, Sharla	Frenette, Ben

Report on day's events:

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

Office:

- Paddock meeting held to explain and illustrate the revised urging rules taking effect across Ontario on 1 August. Specifically, AGCO rule 22.23.03 (b):

22.23.03 At any time while on the grounds of an Association, it is a violation of the Rules for a driver, or the person in control of the horse, to use the whip to hit or make contact with the horse as follows:

(a) To raise their hand(s) above their head;

(b) To ~~cause the whip to move back beyond a 90-degree angle relative to the track~~ use more than acceptable wrist action;
- What is considered [Acceptable Wrist Action](#) (Control + click to view the animation) is illustrated in the image below. As was explained at the paddock meeting, acceptable wrist action when urging **may not** involve movement of the forearm, upper arm and/or shoulder.



- Review with driver Guy Gagnon from 30 June, race 2 #4 CLIFF DRUMMOND regarding his urging in the stretch. Mr. Gagnon will modify his driving style; no penalty.

- Review with driver Guy Gagnon from 7 July, race 9 #3 SAULSBROOK PEACH regarding interference to #2 PRINCE GIOVANNI. Mr. Gagnon was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rule 22.23.01(a) by causing interference before the ¼ mile pole to #2 and assessed a driving suspension of three days to be served 23-25 July, inclusive (SB 50949).
- Discussed assignment of stalls in the paddock with Paddock Judge Ernie O'Dwyer. All horses will be required to be in their designated stall unless exempted by the Paddock Judge due to safety concerns.

Races:

1. Clear.
2. Clear.
3. Clear.
4. Inquiry on #6 BADSTORMANYPORT (Clarke Steacy), who pulled up before the ½ mile pole and did not finish, regarding broken equipment before the start; video review confirmed that the side rear hopple hanger was broken before the field was released, refund: \$3,094.

Report from the Chief Test Inspector that #1 TOXICITY arrived at the retention area unharnessed. Trainer Sylvain Cote was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rule 9.11 (any horse from which an official sample has been ordered shall be taken directly to the retention area) and assessed a monetary penalty of \$200 (SB 50919). Clear.

5. Clear.
6. Inquiry on #2 LOCK THE DOOR (Stephane Pouliot) concerning possible interference to #3 OHBABYOHBABYOH (Stephane Brosseau), who finished 8th, before the ¾ mile pole; after speaking with both drivers and reviewing the video it was determined that #2 did bear out and cause interference to #3; #2 finished 5th and was placed 8th (AGCO rule 22.09). No penalty to Mr. Pouliot as the interference was deemed to have been caused solely by the horse.

Video: <https://youtu.be/n4i33uU1XA>

Report from the Chief Test Inspector that #4 FACE THE CHALLENGE arrived at the retention area unharnessed. Trainer Jamie Copley was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rule 9.11 (any horse from which an official sample has been ordered shall be taken directly to the retention area) and assessed a monetary penalty of \$200 (SB 50920). Clear.

7. Driver of #1 SPORTY GUSSIE, Darcy Clancy, was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rule 22.23.01 (a) (indiscriminate urging) and assessed a driving suspension of three days (to be served 28-30 July, inclusive) and a \$200 monetary penalty (SB 50961). Clear.
8. Reviewed racing in the stretch between #4 JUST MY SHADOW (Robbie Robinson) who finished 6th and #6 BEHAVENMYSELF (Rodney LaFromboise) who finished 5th; #4 suddenly bears in on #6 causing interference; no placing necessary. No penalty to Mr. Robinson as the interference was deemed to have been caused by the horse. Clear.
9. Breathalyzer retest. Clear.

Claims:

- 4 #1 BAROSSA BLUE GENES (1 claim) for \$7,000 by Steven Leroux (S. Leroux

- trainer).
- 4 #6 BADSTORMANYPORT (1 claim) for \$7,000 by Copley Stables (Jamie Copley trainer).
 - 7 #4 OLIVIA V (2 claims) for \$8,750 by Gary McDonald, J.C. Lavictoire & Raymond Lavergne (G. McDonald trainer). One claim disallowed as it was improperly completed (AGCO rule 15.11(f)).