



Senior Judges Report

Name of Track	Rideau Carleton		Ottawa		
Date	Sunday 28 July 2019		Post Time	18:30	
Weather	Race 1 - 10: Clear (Temp: 27 deg. C)				
Track Condition	Race 1 - 10: Fast (Variant 0 secs)				
Number of Races	10	Qualifying races	2 SC	Total Entries	66/72
Mutual Handle	\$140,025				
Contact Vet	Paddock Meeting	Track Maintenance Meeting	Investigator Visit	Outgoing Senior Judge Update	

Senior Judge Weber, Michael	Associate Judge Coles, Sharla	Associate Judge Frenette, Ben
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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 (AGCO rule 22.23.03 (b)).
- What is considered [Acceptable Wrist Action](#) (Control + click to view the animation) is illustrated in the image. As was explained at the paddock meeting, acceptable wrist action when urging **may not** involve movement of the forearm, upper arm and/or shoulder, and that this rule is applicable at all times and not only during urging in the stretch.
- All Rideau Carleton drivers were/will be contacted individually to ensure they are aware of the urging rule change, to explain expectations regarding urging, to reiterate the penalty structure for violations and to ask if they had any questions about the new rule.



Races:

- Stephane Brosseau excused from one drive.
1. Clear.
 2. Reviewed racing after the ¾ mile pole when #6 CABERTOSS (Matt Harvey) broke stride and did cause interference to #2 SKY LAV (Clarke Steacy); no placing necessary as #6 finished 6th (last). Clear.
 3. Late vet scratch (lame) by the AGCO Veterinarian of #3 STATE NEWS, refund: \$1014; #3 was placed on the veterinarian's list for seven days. Clear.

4. Inquiry on performance of #5 MELANIE G (Pascal Berube) who broke before the start and had not reached the fair start pole when the starter released the field, refund: \$6,259 (AGCO rule 22.03(l)).

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

STREAMSONG #6 suffered broken equipment (lost shoe) after the start and finished with broken equipment. Clear.

5. Clear.
6. Reviewed racing before the ½ mile pole, #3 CAMS LUCKY SAM (Guy Gagon) broke stride and did cause interference to #4 PANTHEON SEELSTER, #5 MITT JAGGER and #7 GA SPEED SAMMY, no placing necessary as #3 finished 6th behind these horses; #3 qualifies for breaks (trainer notified). Clear.
7. Clear.
8. Clear.
9. NATIONAL DEBT #6 suffered broken equipment (flat tire) in the stretch and finished with broken equipment. Clear.
10. Breathalyzer retest. Inquiry on #6 ASTERISM (Guy Gagnon) in the stretch while cutting the mile concerning possible interference to #5 CHOREOGRAPHER (Marie-Claude Auger) who broke in the stretch causing interference to #2 WOO SHARK, #3 PLAYIN FOR KEEPS and #6 ASTERISM; after speaking with both drivers (Ms. Auger stated that #6 came down on her while she was in the passing lane; Mr. Gagnon stated that #5 drove up on his wheel) and reviewing the video it was determined that #6 did not move into the passing lane and that #5 did drive up on the wheel of #6, no placing. As the break by #5 was deemed to be due to driver error this horse was charted with an interference break. Ms. Auger was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rule 22.05.01 (h) (strike the wheel of another sulky) and assessed a driving suspension of three days to be served 30-31 July and 1 August, inclusive (SB 50950).

Video: <https://youtu.be/-uaulwgUcBs>

Claims:

- 8 #2 REIKI (1 claim) for \$15,000 by Sylvain Cote (S. Cote trainer).
- 10 #6 ASTERISM (2 claims) for \$10,000 by Michel Lavoie & Garry Steele (Emil Toth trainer).