



## Senior Judges Report

<b>Name of Track</b>	Rideau Carleton		Ottawa
<b>Date</b>	Sunday 31 August 2025		<b>Post Time</b> 1830 hours
<b>Weather</b>	Races 1 - 10: Clear (Temp: 22° C)		<b>Wind:</b> 8 km/h (NorthWest)
<b>Track Condition</b>	Races 1 - 10: Fast (Variant 0 secs)		
<b>Number of Races</b>	10	<b>Qualifying races</b>	1 KR <b>Total Entries</b> 64/71
<b>Mutual Handle</b>	\$266,552		
Contact Vet	Dr. M. Rocheleau	Paddock Meeting	Track Maintenance Meeting

<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:

- Coville Cup driving championship in four races this evening. The condition for each division of the Coville Cup should be:
  - COVILLE CUP - CLAIMING \$8500 FOR N/W \$3000 LAST 5 STARTS. A.E. N/W \$200 (F&M \$350) PER START LAST 10.
- Early Veterinary scratch (sick) of FINDING DORY (Michael Sergi trainer) from the third race; this horse is entered on the short term (seven days) Veterinarians list.
- Review held with driver Sebastien Turenne concerning a possible violation of AGCO rule 22.05.01(a) (bear in causing interference) and (h) (hook wheels with another sulky) while driving HELLAS ROCKET in the tenth race on 20 August; after reviewing the race video and discussing the factors resulting in hooking wheels with BESTGIRL IN TOWN (Stephane Pouliot), Mr. Turenne was adjudged guilty of violating this rule and was assessed a three day driving suspension (2-4 September, inclusive) (Number 3337494).
- Racing Manager Peter Andrusek attended and addressed the issues regarding the delay on 27 August due to mud balls on the track.

#### Races:

- Joshua Miller and Sylvain Lacaille each excused from one drive.
1. Late Veterinary scratch (lame) of YOURATTENTIONPLZ by the Official Veterinarian; this horse is entered on the short term (seven days) Veterinarians list; refund: \$4627.

Cautioned the driver of #5 ACEFORTYFOUR JORDAN, Gilbert Mercier, regarding the inner rail rule in the last turn. Clear.

2. Inquiry concerning the #1 SWEET SPOT (Guy Gagnon) possibly leaving the course in the stretch; after reviewing the race video it was determined that #1 did enter the passing lane and contact several pylons; as the #6 CAVIART HARPER (Marie-Claude Auger) was the leader at the top of the stretch there was no violation of AGCO rule 22.05.02.2(ii) (the lead horse shall allow trailing horses full access to the passing lane) by #1.

Video: <https://youtu.be/lxxesSs6vwQ>

Discussed race pace with the driver of #1, Guy Gagnon, concerning the second quarter (29 101 130<sup>3</sup> 200<sup>1</sup>); considering the class (novices), that the #1 was two lengths in front until before the ¾ mile pole and the explanation of the participant the Panel did not consider there to have been a violation of AGCO rule 22.05.01(k) (pace comparable to class). Clear.

3. The driver of #5 MONTYSGONEMARBLE, John Macmillan, was cautioned regarding his urging in the stretch. Clear.
4. The drivers of #1 MIDNIGHT MOOD, Antonio Vecchio, #3 BAD APPLE, Michael Armstrong, and #5 NO TIME AT ALL, Steve Germain, were cautioned regarding their urging in the stretch. Clear.
5. Inquiry concerning possible interference by #3 BIG PETES STYLE (Michael Armstrong), who broke in the stretch and finished fourth; after reviewing the race video and speaking with the driver of #6 RED CAPE PARTY, Claude Larose, it was determined that #4 did not cause interference to any horse in the stretch and neither did violate any of the AGCO breaking rules; no violations and no change to the order of finish. Clear.

Video: <https://youtu.be/lluGz0JKvpw>

6. Clear.
  - Coville Cup won by Antonio Vecchio with Joshua Miller second.
7. Clear.
8. Clear.
9. Clear.
10. Clear.

**Claims:** None