



Senior Judges Report

Name of Track	Rideau Carleton		Ottawa
Date	Wednesday 3 September 2025		Post Time 1800 hours
Weather	Races 1 - 10: Clear (Temp: 25° C)		Wind: 16 km/h (South)
Track Condition	Races 1 - 10: Fast (Variant 0 secs)		
Number of Races	10	Qualifying races	Ø Total Entries 68/79
Mutual Handle	\$191,915		
Contact Vet	Dr. M. Rocheleau	Paddock Meeting	Track Maintenance Meeting

Senior Judge	Associate Judge	Associate Judge
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:

- Virtual review held with driver Scott Young concerning a possible violation of AGCO rule 22.19 (a driver's foot shall not make any contact with the horse in any manner) while driving BELLE BOUBOU in the seventh race on 26 July at Kawartha Downs; after reviewing the race video and discussing the race events with Mr. Young the Panel reserved their decision.
- Meeting with Racing Manager Peter Andrusek and Track Photographer Bente Nielson regarding an incident in the winner's circle on 31 August; security will be provided by Rideau Carleton going forward and participants are reminded that the winner's circle is a secure area with restricted access.
- Virtual meeting with Hard Rock President Christine Crump regarding the expected completion of the new paddock. Construction is behind schedule due to several factors and updates will be provided to Race Officials as they become available.

Races:

1. Clear.
2. Clear.
3. Clear.
4. Late Veterinary scratch (sick) of THE CANAM BANKER by the Official Veterinarian; this horse is entered on the short term (seven days) Veterinarian's list; refund: \$52.

Inquiry on the performance of #3 STORMONT CHEERIO (Ryan Guy) who broke after the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile pole and finished second; while off stride #3 did cause interference to #6 ROSE RUN WHY NOT (Pascal Berube), who finished fifth; #3 finished second placed fifth for causing interference while off stride per AGCO rule 22.09.

Video: <https://youtu.be/i7rHMRz-Oxc>

5. Inquiry concerning the #5 SOUTHWIND RUSSIAN (Stephane Pouliot) possibly not receiving a fair start; #5 broke before the start and had not reached the fair start pole when the starter released the field and therefore did not receive a fair start; full parimutuel refund on #5 of \$4898 per AGCO rule 22.03(l). Clear.

Video: <https://youtu.be/cVL5jIEpw2I>

6. Inquiry on the performance of #1 SMOKESTACK (Guy Gagnon), who finished fourth, concerning the breaking rules; #1 broke before and after the start; no violation of any of the breaking rules by #1 and no change to the order of finish. Clear.

Video: <https://youtu.be/MePBauW3Ass>

7. Reviewed the performance of #2 FINAL TEXT (Michel Lagace), who broke before the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile pole, and #4 DONATOVER (Mike Healey), who broke after the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile pole; while off stride #4 did cause interference to #6 CADILLAC (Stephane Pouliot); no placing necessary as #6 finished ahead of #4. Clear.
8. Reviewed the break by #2 SUNNY BO (Ryan Guy) before the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile pole; while off stride #2 did cause interference to #1 MACH ART IN MOTION (Sylvain Lacaille), #3 AGRICOLA (Pascal Berube), #4 SILVERADO (Philip Reid), #5 BETTORHOLDONTIGHT (Marie-Claude Auger) and #7 THE COLT (Robert Shepherd); no placing necessary as #2 finished seventh (last); the #2 subsequently lost a shoe and finished with broken equipment; #2 must qualify for breaks in consecutive races on a fast track. Clear.
9. Clear.
10. Clear.

Claims:

- 10 #1 FIRE SHINE (1 claim) for \$10,625 by Melissa Loyer (M. Loyer trainer).