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Senior Judges Report

Name of Track	Western Fair Raceway			
Date	February 9, 2026	Post Time	17:50 hrs	
Weather	-9 Celsius	Wind:	SSE 12 km/hr	
Track Condition	Good (2)			
Number of Races	10	Qualifying races	Total Entries	81
Mutual Handle	\$ 286,365			
Contact Vet	Paddock Meeting	Track Maintenance Meeting	Investigator Visit	Outgoing Senior Judge Update
Senior Judge	Associate Judge	Associate Judge		
Kelly Counsell	Lawrence Hughes	Scott Ksionzyk		
Official Veterinarian Dr. Chris Robson				

Report on day's events:

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

Office:

- Race Official Chris Baillargeon is training tonight.
- Austin Sorrie was excused from his drive in R2 tonight.
- R3 #7 Mikes Tony was a Judges scratch. The horse was double entered and became ineligible because of making consecutive breaks on a fast tracks.

Races:

R1 – Reviewed the start where #3 Baracus (S. Wray, 5th) was rough getting away but did not break stride. #3 also lost a shoe in the race and finished with “broken equipment”. Reviewed the equipment on #6 Dealin N Diamonds (G. Rooney) before the start and confirmed there was nothing broken. The horse did not finish (DNF) because the hobbles broke after the ½ mile and driver Rooney pulled up the horse.

R2 – Clear.

R3 - #1 Frank N Speed (C. Johnston, 5th) lost a shoe in the race and finished with “broken equipment”.

R4 – INQUIRY – Reviewed racing at the headed of the stretch where #1 Captain Highliner (J. Ryan) was inside two consecutive pylons and finished 2nd placed 4th behind the horses that were lapped on to #1 at the finish. The Judges considered the change of equipment and the horse’s action and did exempt the driver from a penalty.

Video: <https://youtu.be/gp3teROAM3g>

R5 – Clear.

R6 – Clear.

R7 – #4 Amigo Mio lost a shoe in the race and finished with “broken equipment”.

R8 – Clear.

R9 - #5 Max Shadow lost a shoe in the race and finished with “broken equipment”.

R10 - #1 St Lads Beat It (A. Sorrie, 8th) got rough gaited on the first turn causing interference to #2,3,6,7,8.

Claims: