



Senior Judges Report

Name of Track	Rideau Carleton	Ottawa			
Date	Sunday 28 November 2021	Post Time	1830 hours		
Weather	Races 1 - 11: Cloudy (Temp: -4° C)	Wind:	6 km/h (NorthEast)		
Track Condition	Races 1 - 11: Fast (Variant 0 secs)				
Number of Races	11	Qualifying races	2 KC	Total Entries	80/83
Mutual Handle	\$277,254				
Contact Vet	Paddock Meeting	Track Maintenance Meeting	Investigator Visit	Outgoing Senior Judge Update	

Senior Judge	Associate Judge	Associate Judge
Weber, Michael	Counsell, Kelly	Stiff, Al (remote)

Report on day's events:

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

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- Following mechanical failure of the grader, a line of hydraulic fluid was left on the track from the ¾ mile pole to just after the finish line. It was the opinion of the drivers (spoke with drivers Guy Gagnon and Pascal Berube), and starter Jamie Fiolek that this line was not especially discernible and did not pose a safety hazard.
- Early Judges scratch (stable error) of RED JOHN from the seventh race. Trainer Gary McDonald was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO rule 20.03.01(i) (causing horse to be scratched) and assessed a monetary penalty of \$100 (Number 1537440).
- Early Judges scratches (transportation) of SG GOLIATH KING from the fourth race and SHADOW DAVE from the fifth race.
- Discussed mandatory test barn procedures, allowable items that may be brought into the secure area and masking requirements with trainer Gavin Christie regarding a report from the test inspectors on 21 November.
- Guy Chretien requires ten (10) satisfactory qualifying races by 31 December 2022 in order to be allowed to enter into overnight races (Number 1537481).
- Following on the dismissal of the appeal by driver Ryan Guy of Ruling Number 1326325 regarding violation of AGCO Rule 22.05.01(a) on 5 September 2021 while driving GENESEE in the ninth race at Rideau Carleton (HRAP SB 05041 2021), the penalty of three days suspension from driving is reinstated and will be served 30 November to 2 December, inclusive.

Races:

- Benoit Hebert excused from one drive.
1. Clear.
 2. Reviewed the performance of #2 GENESEE (Jimmy Gagnon), who finished fifth, concerning leaving the course after the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile pole; #2 was inside two consecutive pylons, hit one pylon and was then inside two pylons; as #2 was not lapped on and did not gain an advantage, there were no violations. Clear.
 3. Clear.
 4. Reviewed racing between #3 EASTON IVY (Jimmy Gagnon) and #5 JUMPSHOT (Stephane Brosseau) before the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile pole where #5 was on the rail and #3 was first over; #3 did move out three wide, allowing #5 to exit from the rail; no violations as the #3 was visibly bearing out. The #3 was examined by the AGCO veterinarian post-race and found to be asymptomatic. Clear.
 5. Cautioned the driver of #2 TJ THUNDER, Gordon Ley, regarding keep both feet in the stirrups for the entire mile. Clear.
 6. Inquiry and driver's objection by #4 DEAN STREET (Daniel St. Pierre) concerning possible interference by #1 MS BRAMPTON BEAST (Michael Armstrong) before the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile pole where #1 was second on the rail, and following in line, and #4 attempted to go inside resulting in contact with the wheel of #1 and #4 breaking (charted with an interference break) and causing interference to #1; objection disallowed; #4 finished sixth placed eighth (AGCO rule 22.09).
 Driver Daniel St. Pierre was adjudged guilty of violating AGCO 22.05.01(j) (careless driving) and will serve a driving suspension of five days (29 November to 3 December, inclusive) (Number 1537496). Clear.
 7. Reviewed the break by #2 DREAMFAIR TECATE (Mike Healey) after the start, concerning possible broken equipment (head pole); upon review of the video there was no broken equipment observed. Clear.
 8. Driver of #6 FCEE N, Guy Gagnon, was notified that his feet must remain perpendicular in the stirrups at all times. Clear.
 9. Clear.
 10. Driver of #3 NIGHT CLUB HANOVER, Steeven Genois, was cautioned regarding his urging in the stretch. Driver of #5 VANILLA MALTED, Stephan Brosseau, was notified that his feet must remain perpendicular in the stirrups at all times. Clear.
 11. Late veterinary scratch (lame) of #8 MICKEYMAKSOMESPEED; refund: \$2745; this horse is entered on the short term (seven days) veterinarians list.

The #2 FOUR FINGER FLOYD (Guy Gagnon) and #3 WINDSUN CHEYENNE (Jimmy Gagnon) hooked wheels before the start; both drivers stated they had not suffered any broken equipment and wished to continue.

The driver of #4 SALTY ROBYN N, Bernard Lavigne, will attend a review regarding his urging in the stretch. Clear.

Claims:

- 8 #3 MORTGAGE MY VILLA (1 claim) for \$10,000 by Pierre Mineault and Guy Chretien (Guy Chretien trainer).