



## Senior Judges Report

<b>Name of Track</b>	Rideau Carleton	Ottawa			
<b>Date</b>	Sunday 9 October 2022	<b>Post Time</b>	1830 hours		
<b>Weather</b>	Races 1 - 10: Clear (Temp: 8° C)	<b>Wind:</b>	12 km/h (NorthWest)		
<b>Track Condition</b>	Races 1 - 10: Fast (Variant 0 secs)				
<b>Number of Races</b>	10	<b>Qualifying races</b>	2 SC/KR	<b>Total Entries</b>	79/87
<b>Mutual Handle</b>	\$366,368				
Contact Vet	Paddock Meeting	Track Maintenance Meeting	Investigator Visit	Outgoing Senior Judge Update	

<b>Senior Judge</b>	<b>Associate Judge</b>	<b>Judge in Training</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:

- Review held with driver Drew Smyth regarding his urging of JUST PLAIN NEEDEDY in the tenth race on 2 October. The race video was reviewed with the participant and what is considered proper urging and strategies to remain in compliance. Decision reserved.
- Guy Chretien attended the Judges office to pick up papers and forms related to Decision Number 1897442.
- Trainer Matt McDonald provided documentation relating to the performance of SEA LAIRD from the third race on 2 October. Mr. McDonald attributes the lifetime record achieved that evening to the horse being healthier, shoeing changes and the inside post position allowing the horse to get to the front easily. The panel considers that no further action is required regarding the performance of this horse on that date.

### Races:

- Donald Jobin and Clarke Steacy each excused from one drive.
  - Steeven Genois excused from four drives.
1. Clear.
  2. Following a complaint from the trainer of # 5 UNIQUE BEACH (Pascal Berube), Matt McDonald, that his horse had been impeded by #3 LEVIS DAY (Jimmy Gagnon) moving off the rail at the ½ mile pole, the race was reviewed and it was determined that there was no interference when #3 moved off the rail and that #5 had ample opportunity

to go three wide in the backstretch, and around #3, if he had wished; no violations. Clear.

3. Clear.
4. The driver of #5 OFFICER JONES, Jimmy Gagnon, was cautioned regarding his urging in the stretch. Clear.
5. Inquiry in the stretch where #2 CORTEZ THE KILLER (Samuel Fillion) and #3 WESTERN PHIL (Guy Gagnon) hooked wheels; after speaking with both drivers and reviewing the video it was determined that although #3 did bear down slightly #2 did bear out slightly and drive up on the wheel of #3; both were charted with interference; no placing.

Video: [https://youtu.be/xgluW6H\\_CuE](https://youtu.be/xgluW6H_CuE)

Mr. Gagnon was cautioned regarding driving up on #1 WOO SHARK (Jimmy Gagnon) before the ½ mile pole. Clear.

6. The driver of #4 THE LIGHT SPEED, Guy Gagnon, will attend a review regarding race pace concerning the second quarter (27 57<sup>4</sup>).

The driver of #5 JET ROCK, Robert Shepherd, had an official warning entered on his licence concerning his urging in the stretch. Clear.

7. Inquiry and driver's objection concerning possible interference by #2 NINE WAYS (Mike Healey) on #7 LUNAR LAUNCH (Drew Smyth) around the last turn; after speaking with both drivers (Mr. Smyth stated #2 had his wheel between his horse's legs) and reviewing the video it was determined that, although racing was tight, there was no interference; objection disallowed. Mr. Smyth will attend the Judges office to discuss this race. Clear.

Video: <https://youtu.be/IPEFxtCDpL0>

8. Clear.
9. Reviewed racing before the ½ mile pole concerning race pace (27<sup>2</sup> 57<sup>2</sup>) and possibly obstructing the trailing horses by #3 GETYOURLICENSELIAM (Samuel Fillion); no violations. The #7 SPORTS REPORT (Robbie Robinson) qualifies for breaks in two consecutive races on a fast track (trainer notified). Clear.

10. Clear.

**Claims:** None