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SIZZLING SUMMERTIME for jockeys TONY PHILLIPS AND REGAN KNOWLES

AJAX DOWNS, JUNE 9, 2019 - A big crowd enjoyed beautiful summertime weather at Ajax Downs on Sunday, June 9, the sixth day of the Quarter Horse track's 50th anniversary season.

Jockeys **Tony Phillips and Regan Knowles** each rode two winners on the eight-race card to take the top two positions on the jockey's standings. Phillips now has 10 wins on the season while Knowles has six.

Both of Phillips' winners were first-time starters owned by Carol and Jaime Robertson and trained by Bryn Robertson. The family from Hillsburgh, ON now have a remarkable six winners from six starters at the 2019 meeting.

One of the those was the 2-year-old **EAZY STREET** who captured the first baby race of the season with an impressive run to overcome an awkward start in race 1 and win by almost a length in :13.53 for 250 yards for a hefty 86 Speed Index. The Robertsons' also sent out **ONE OF MY FAVOURITES** to win her debut in race 5.

Certainly, the most popular race of the day was the **Gridiron Gallop (see photo below!)**, a 110-yard dash, the shortest race offered at Ajax Downs. A field of nine went from a standing start to over 50 km/h with last year's top 3-year-old male **CARNEROS** winning by a head over Chicksdigmymoneybags. Carneros was one of two winners on the day for owner Milena Kwicien and Ponytpool's Jason Pascoe who trains.

Next Sunday, June 16 is a special **Father's Day celebration** at Ajax Downs and the on-track feature is the final of the \$50,000-added **Ontario-Bred Derby**.

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(PHOTO -- Bursting out of the gate of the 110-yard GRIDIRON GALLOP in which the field of nine was separated by less than 2 lengths at the finish. The winner was number 2 CARNEROS with Ed Walton riding)

