



Senior Stewards Report

Name of Track	Ajax Downs		
Date	July 9 th , 2025	Post-time	13:45
Weather	Overcast	25 deg. Celsius	Wind 3 km/h SW
Track Conditions	Dirt: Fast	Turf: N/A	
Number of Races	7		
Scratches	Vet: 2	Stewards: 0	Track: 0

Senior Steward	Associate Steward	Associate Steward
Fred Brethour	Neil McCoag	Justin Stein (training)
Official Veterinarians		
Dr. Brett Anderson Dr. Bernd Stanglmeier		

Report on day's Events: (Backstretch - accidents, fines, suspensions, objections, disqualifications, refunds, pertinent incidents, general details etc., Film Reviews, Races, Claims)

Office: Rider Tony Phillips attended the office to review the placing of Leaninto the Moment from Race 3 last week. The Stewards accepted Phillip's explanation that the horse was green and after the delay was somewhat fractious. It was the horse's first lifetime start. No further action necessary.

Rider Cristian Benitez attended the office to review the placing of Hours To Fly from Race 7. The Stewards determined that although the horse did run out, they were not satisfied with Benitez's lack of effort to attempt to keep his mount straight. A one-day riding suspension was levied. AGCO Rules, 9.14.03, 11.07, 11.09.01, 11.09.03, 11.09.05, 11.12, 11.14, 16.13. Ruling # 3249614.

The Stewards spoke with the trainer of Hours to Fly, Dan Giles regarding the horse's penchant to running out. He is aware of the situation and is addressing it.

Race 1: #2 Cruisin On Bye and #3 Little Margie came together at the break, #3 Little Margie was late on the break.

Race 2: #3 Imontherush (I.Mosqueira) finished 2nd, broke outwardly towards #4 Caraways Sugar Joe (C.Benitez) finished 4th, no interference or placings warranted.

Race 3: #3 Ivory Queen stumbled badly at the break.

Race 4: #3 The Fire Witch broke through the gate before post time, unseated rider J.B.Botello and ran loose. The horse was scratched by the Official Veterinarian. Botello was cleared fit to ride by EMS, but he (Botello) elected to be removed from his remaining rides.

#4 Look Twice reared in the gate before post time, rider C.Jeschke was able to dismount. The horse exited at the back of the gate and ran loose and was also scratched by the Official Veterinarian.

Inquiry and Jockey's Claim of Foul: #6 Winning Okie (R.Isaacs) crossed over in front of #5 Jjohnpopper (M.Badal) part way down the stretch causing Badal to check his horse. As a result, #6 Winning Okie finished 2nd and was placed 4th and #5 Jjohnpopper finished 4th and was placed 3rd. R.Isaacs will attend the office next week for film review.

Inquiry video: <https://youtu.be/B-sazvGswi4>

Race 5: Clear.

Race 6: Clear.

Race 7: Jockey's Claim of Foul: #4 Sw the Lion King (C.Jeschke), finished 6th, against #3 A Shades of Cold (C.Benitez) , finished 2nd, in mid stretch. The claim of foul was disallowed as #3 did come over but was clear and had outrun #4.

Inquiry video: <https://youtu.be/mVvADy13M1g>

Handle: \$ 64 059