

California Horse Racing Board

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Alameda County Fair
Pleasanton, California

TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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GENERAL DATA:

Dates: Scheduled Eighteen Days – Friday, June 19, 2020 through Sunday, July 26, 2020
Friday, June 19, 2020 through Sunday, June 21, 2020
Friday, June 26, 2020 through Sunday, June 28, 2020
Friday, July 3, 2020 through Sunday, July 5, 2020
Friday, July 10, 2020 through Sunday, July 12, 2020
Friday, July 17, 2020 through Sunday, July 19, 2020
Friday, July 24, 2020 through Sunday, July 26, 2020

Entries: Forty-eight to ninety-six hours in advance.

Scratch Time: 9:30 a.m. next entry day.

Post Time: 2:45 p.m. daily except Saturday June 20, 2020 at 3:15 p.m.

Wagering: Win, Place and Show wagering on every race.

Exotic Wagering: \$1 Exacta
\$1 Trifecta (with 4 betting interests)
\$1 Superfecta (with 6 betting interests)
\$2 Rolling Daily Double
\$1 Rolling Pick 3
\$1 Early & Late Pick 4 (50-cent minimum)
\$1 Pick 5 (50-cent minimum)
\$0.20 Gold Rush Pick 6
\$0.20 Gold Strike Super High 5 (50-cent minimum with 8 betting interests)

Stewards: Representing the California Horse Racing Board:
- Richard Lewis - Will Meyers
- Dennis Nevin - Calvin Rainey (Safety Steward)

Track Officials: Jerome Hoban - Chief Executive Officer
Randy Magee - Chief Financial Officer
Jeanne Wasserman - Director of Operations
Larry Swartzlander - Director of Racing
Doug Gooby - Mutuel Manager
Chris Griffin - Track Announcer/Morning Line Maker
Trackmasters Inc. (Steve Wood)-Track Superintendent
Kevin Ingram - Stable Superintendent
Pegasus Communications - Video Production
William Vassar - Track Photographer
Plusmic Corp., Inc. - Photo Finish

Racing Officials: Tom Doutrich - Racing Secretary
Linda Anderson - Assistant Racing Secretary
Tina Walker-Bryant - Clerk of the Course, Thoroughbred
Lisa Jones - Clerk of the Course, Emerging Breeds
Victoria Layne - Paymaster of Purses
Morgan Schlessler - Placing Judge
Steve Martinelli - Placing Judge
Kenneth Sjordal - Clerk of Scales
Kenny Fowler - Assistant Clerk of Scales/Film Analyst
Danny Winick - Paddock Judge/Patrol Judge
Myra Troske - Patrol Judge
Lisa Wilkerson - Steward's Aide
Todd Stephens - Starter
Darrell Sparks - Horse Identifier
Augustine Rayas - Horseshoe Inspector
Melody Truitt - Clocker/Timer

Veterinarians: Forrest Franklin, DVM, CHRB Veterinarian
Bill Grantham, DVM, Fitness/Track Veterinarian

Report for the Week of Tuesday, June 16, 2020 through Sunday, June 21, 2020

TUESDAY
6/16/20¹

ENTRIES FOR FRIDAY

Steward Richard Lewis was on hand to set up the Pleasanton office and handle any issues related to opening day entries. Seven races are on tap for Friday with a total of forty-seven (47) horses entered.

WEDNESDAY
6/17/20¹

SCRATCHES FOR FRIDAY/ENTRIES FOR SATURDAY

One rider change was made at scratch time for Friday. Eight races were carded for Saturday with Richard Lewis on Steward duty. Fifty-one (51) horses are scheduled to run.

THURSDAY
6/18/20¹

SCRATCHES FOR SATURDAY/ENTRIES FOR SUNDAY

Steward Lewis was again on duty and one scratch was taken for Saturday. Eight races were drawn with a total of forty-six (46) horses entered.

FRIDAY
6/19/20¹

MONROY RULING NO.1

ACF RULING #01

Jockey **FRANCISCO MONROY** is hereby fined the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for reporting late to the paddock for the fifth race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, June 14, 2020; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Monroy contacted the Stewards and offered no explanation for being late to the paddock. He accepted full responsibility for his tardiness.

6/19/20²

PROGRAM SCRATCHES

2nd Race: #4 PACIFIC STRIKE (Tr. P. De Jesus) Vet – Sick – Dr. Grantham – Refund: \$529.00

4th Race: #6 TAHOE BLUE (Tr. Q. Miller) Re-enter – Stewards – Refund: \$69.30

5th Race: #7 RUN HEAT (Tr. J. Ramos) Vet – Sick – Dr. Grantham – Refund: \$ 113.30

6/19/20³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track		\$21,132.90
SCOTWinc		\$35,847.90
Out of state + ADW		\$776,804.87
Total		\$833,785.67

SATURDAY

6/20/20¹

JOSE DE JESUS UBARIO HEARING – CASE 19BM0059

A hearing was held today for Owner Jose Ubario who was suspended on February 14, 2020 for failure to appear according to Ruling #35 issued at Golden Gate Fields. Mr. Ubario is charged with alleged violations of California Horse Racing Board rules #1547 (Failure to Appear), #1843 (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances Permitted After Entry in a Race), #1843.1 (Prohibited Drug Substances) and #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse).

Present for the hearing were Investigator Noe Longoria, Owner Jose Ubario, and this Board of Stewards. Christine Niccoli recorded the proceedings.

Mr. Ubario admitted to taking care of the horse “OH VALLEY FEVER” at his ranch in Sanger for the two months prior to the horse racing at Fresno. Mr. Ubario then enlisted licensed Trainer Adolfo Ortiz to put the horse under his name in order to run at Fresno. The Owners Rogelio Mota and Ulises Contreras were aware of this arrangement and Mr. Mota actually shipped the horse to the track and back to the ranch with Mr. Ubario. Mr. Ubario said he had given two (2) Bute tablets the day before the horse shipped but had no idea how or why the horse tested positive for Clenbuterol. Mr. Ortiz was suspended for ninety days (90) in Ruling #62 issued at Golden Gate Fields on March 27, 2020 concerning this same incident and fined five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars of which two thousand and five hundred (\$2500.00) dollars was stayed.

Mr. Ubario understands the severity of the situation and is prepared to face the consequences.

6/20/20²

COUTON RULING NO.02

Jockey **JULIEN COUTON** is hereby fined the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) * for reporting late to the Jockeys room on Friday, June 19, 2020; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1680 (Jockeys and Drivers to report).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Couton accepted responsibility for arriving late to the Jockey’s Room.

6/20/20³

PROGRAM SCRATCHES

4th Race: #6 TANNER’S PRIDE (Tr. M. Ortiz Sr.)Vet–Unsound–Dr. Grantham–Refund:\$645.30

5th Race: #1 BERNARDOS HIDEAWAY – (Tr. Q. Miller) Re-enter- Stewards – Refund: \$ see below

#5 HAWTHORNE LANE (Tr. G. Preciado)Vet–Unsound–Dr. Grantham–Refund: \$66.00

6/20/20⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track		\$25,422.00
SCOTWinc		\$53,036.50
Out of state + ADW		\$934,443.20
Total		\$1,012,901.70

SUNDAY
6/21/20¹

UBARIO RULING (Ref. 6/20/20¹) – RULINH NO.03

Owner Jose De Jesus Ubario, having now appeared before the Board of Stewards and a hearing having now been held, Pacific Racing Association Ruling #35, dated February 14, 2020 for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) is hereby set aside.

Further, Owner Jose De Jesus Ubario who was shown to have had the care and attendance of the horse OH VALLEY FEVER, second place finisher in the seventh race at The Big Fresno Fair on October 12, 2019 is suspended ninety (90) days, June 25, 2020 through September 22, 2020 inclusive, and fined the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) * pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (a) (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse), for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (a) & (b) (Medication Drugs and Other Substances; Prohibited Substance – Clenbuterol [Class 3]) and 1843.1 (a) (Prohibited Drug Substances) and placed on probation for one year from the date of this ruling.

During the term of this suspension all licenses and license privileges of Jose De Jesus Ubario are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine) subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The above ruling was issued after analyzing all the evidence presented at Mr. Ubario’s hearing. Mr. Ubario was involved with hiding his involvement with the care and training of the horse “OH VALLEY FEVER” who tested positive for Clenbuterol.

6/21/20²

PROGRAM SCRATCHES

2nd Race: #1 VONHRA (Tr. G. Preciado) – Vet – Sick – Dr. Grantham – Refund: \$ 63.30

6/21/20³

7th RACE – INQUIRY/OBJECTION/DISQUALIFICATION

Jockey Kevin Orozco, aboard #3 AT ATTENTION (3rd), lodged a claim of foul against the second place finisher #4 TAKE ME FOR A SPIN (Ricardo Gonzalez) and first place finisher #5 DARNQUICK (Hugo Herrera) for alleged interference shortly after the start of this six furlong event. The Stewards also posted the Inquiry sign to review the same incident.

After reviewing the tapes and talking to the riders involved #4 TAKE ME FOR A SPIN was disqualified from second and placed third in a unanimous decision.

Tapes show #4 TAKE ME FOR A SPIN drift in shortly after the start making contact with #3 AT ATTENTION causing Jockey Orozco to check his mount sharply. #5 DARNQUICK also drifted in but could not be blamed for the interference.

Original Order of Finish: 5 – 4 – 3 – 2 – 6 – 1

Official Order of Finish: 5 – 3 – 4 – 2 – 6 – 1

6/21/20⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track		\$25,588.30
SCOTWinc		\$27,905.10
Out of state + ADW		\$1,023,780.59
Total		\$1,077,273.99

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
19-Jun.	2	4	PACIFIC STRIKE	P. De Jesus	Sick	Grantham	\$529.00
19-Jun.	4	6	TAHOE BLUE	Q. Miller	Re-enter	Stewards	\$ 69.30
19-Jun.	5	7	RUN HEAT	J. Ramos	Sick	Grantham	\$113.30
20-Jun.	4	6	TANNER'S PRIDE	M. Ortiz Sr.	Unsound	Grantham	\$645.30
20-Jun.	5	1	BERNARDO'S HIDEAWAY	R. Amescua	Sick	De La Cruz	\$see below
20-Jun.	5	5	HAWTHORNE LANE	G. Preciado	Unsound	Grantham	\$ 66.00
20-Jun.	2	1	VONHRA	G. Preciado	Sick	Grantham	\$ 63.30

SUMMARY

	Fri 6/19	Sat 6/20	Sun 6/21	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	1	0	0	1	1
Claims	5	3	1	9	9
Disqualifications	0	0	1	1	1
Inquiries	0	0	1	1	1
Refunds	3	3	1	7	7
Rulings	1	1	1	3	3
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0

Respectfully submitted,

Will Meyers, Steward

Richard Lewis, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward

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