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**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD****OAK TREE AT PLEASANTON**

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**Report of the Board of Stewards**

To the California Horse Racing Board

Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr., Governor

Honorable Chuck Winner, Chairman  
Honorable George Krikorian, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chairman  
Honorable Madeline Auerbach, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chairman  
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Rick Baedeker, Executive Director  
Jacqueline Wagner, Assistant Executive Director  
John McDonough, Chief Counsel CHRB  
Darrel McHargue, Chief Steward

Report for the period Sunday, June 18, 2017 through Sunday, June 25, 2017.

**GENERAL DATA:**

Dates: Scheduled Twelve Days – Thursday, June 22, 2017 through Sunday, June 25, 2017,  
Thursday June 29, 2017 through Tuesday, July 4, 2017 and Friday, July 7, 2017 through  
Sunday, July 9, 2017.

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

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

Post Time: 1:15 p.m. daily, 2:15 Fridays.

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  
 - Tom McCarthy (Safety Steward)

Track Officials: Jerome Hoban - Chief Executive Officer  
 Randy Magee - Chief Financial Officer  
 Jeanne Wasserman - Director of Racing  
 Larry Swartzlander - Director of Racing Oak Tree Racing Association  
 Doug Gooby - Mutuel Manager  
 Chris Griffith - Track Announcer  
 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  
 Myra Troske - Secretary  
 Tina Walker-Bryant - Clerk of Course, Thoroughbred  
 Dolores Collins - Clerk of Course, Emerging Breeds  
 Victoria Layne - Paymaster  
 Lisa Jones - Placing Judge  
 Steve Martinelli - Placing Judge  
 Kenneth Sjordal - Clerk of Scales  
 Chad Schvaneveldt - Assistant Clerk of Scales/Film Analyst  
 Danny Winick - Paddock Judge/Patrol Judge  
 Lisa Wilkerson - Steward's Aide  
 John Leon - Patrol Judge  
 Todd Stephens - Starter  
 Darrell Sparks - Horse Identifier  
 Augustine Rayas - Horseshoe Inspector  
 Melody Truitt - Clocker/Timer

Veterinarians: Forrest Franklin, DVM, CHRB Veterinarian  
 Sara Sporer, DVM, Track/Fitness Veterinarian

**SUNDAY**06-18-17<sup>1</sup>**OPENING DAY ENTRIES**

Racing Secretary Tom Doutrich and staff struggled to get seven races for Thursday's opening day card. One mule and six Thoroughbreds races are on tap.

**MONDAY**06-19-17<sup>1</sup>**DARK DAY****TUESDAY**06-20-17<sup>1</sup>**SCRATCHES FOR THURSDAY - ENTRIES FOR FRIDAY**

Steward Will Meyers was on duty to handle scratches and oversee entries. Two jockey changes were made for Thursday's card at scratch time. Eight races were drawn for Friday. One mule, One Arabian and six Thoroughbred races makeup the card. The Steward's office and stand were both set up and inspected for working phones, faxes, TV's, computers, etc.

06-20-17<sup>2</sup>**THURSDAY'S CARD APPARENTLY CANCELLED**

This duty steward (Will Meyers) received a phone call from fellow steward Richard Lewis at approximately 7:30 pm informing me that Racing Secretary Doutrich called him stating races were cancelled for opening day. No approval or any word from the Board was received. More to come in the A.M.

**WEDNESDAY**06-21-17<sup>1</sup> **CANCELLATION OFFICIAL**

A letter of explanation for Thursday's cancellation will be requested from CARF Executive Director Larry Swartzlander.

06-21-17<sup>2</sup> **SCRATCHES FOR FRIDAY - ENTRIES FOR SATURDAY**

One jockey change and one shoe change were taken at the normal scratch time for Friday. Saturday's card features 11 races. One Mule, One Quarter Horse and 9 Thoroughbred races are scheduled.

**THURSDAY**06-22-17<sup>1</sup> **SCRATCHES FOR SATURDAY - ENTRIES FOR SUNDAY**

Two jockey changes and three shoe changes were made at scratch time. Nine Races are carded for Sunday. One Arabian and eight Thoroughbred races are on tap.

06-22-17<sup>2</sup> **HEAT INDEX – THURSDAY**

At 1:00 p.m. the heat index was 121 according to calculations based on 103 degree temperature plus 23% humidity and a five mph wind (103+23-5=121). This falls below the recommendation for cancellations.

**FRIDAY**06-23-17<sup>1</sup> **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-bred races for maiden three year olds and older, claiming \$5,000, one mile and one sixteenth, failed to fill.

06-23-17<sup>2</sup> **LATE DECLARATIONS & REFUNDS**

3 <sup>rd</sup> race:	#4 KATIE IN CAHOOTS (Tr. A. Torres)		
	Sick - DVM Sporer	REFUND: \$	56.80
6 <sup>th</sup> race:	#5 ANGEL SPIRIT (Tr. J. Martin)		
	Injured - DVM Sporer	REFUND: \$	38,500.86
7 <sup>th</sup> race:	#7 PURE COMEDY (Tr. B. McLean)		
	Injured - DVM Sporer	REFUND: \$	207.00

The declaration of #7 PURE COMEDY in the 7<sup>th</sup> race reduced the field to four wagering interests and the show pool was cancelled.

06-23-17<sup>3</sup> **RULING NO. 1 – OROZCO RULING**

Jockey **IRVING OROZCO** who rode **SAYROLA** in the third race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, June 18, 2017 is suspended five (5) racing days (June 30, July 1, 2, 3 and 4, 2017) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules-Careless Riding). Second offense in sixty days.

Jockeys Irving Orozco and Silvio Amador met with the stewards for a review of the third race at Golden Gate Fields on June 18, 2017. The journeymen riders were involved in an inquiry that resulted in no change in the order of finish. There were two separate incidents in the stretch involving these riders and their mounts. The first incident near the 1/8 pole shows Mr. Amador's mount bear out and bump Mr. Orozco's mount and the video clearly shows the former makes a concerted effort to straighten his mount.

The second incident near the 1/16 pole shows Mr. Orozco's mount drift in an impede Mr. Amador's mount. Mr. Orozco makes no effort to correct his mount and in fact uses his crop right handed.

Mr. Amador was not penalized and Mr. Orozco received a five day suspension as this is his second riding offense in the last 60 days.

06-23-17<sup>4</sup> **TRACK START MEETING**

The stewards met with the Director of Racing Jeanne Wasserman, Track Superintendent Steve Wood and Jim Burns, track maintenance.

Mr. Wood indicated three harrows would be utilized to groom the track between the races and water hoses will be situated at three locations: the 7/8 pole, the winner's circle and the gap near the 1/16 pole.

06-23-17<sup>5</sup> **CLEAR AFTERNOON**

The afternoon racing program was conducted without any noteworthy incidents.

06-23-17<sup>6</sup> **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

OTP	2,245	\$	222,201.30
NCOT	1,543	\$	587,807.30
SCOT		\$	126,555.30
Out of State		\$	249,444.68
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,788</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,186,008.58</b>

**SATURDAY**06-24-17<sup>1</sup> **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-bred races for fillies and mares, three year olds and older, claiming \$14,000-\$16,000, five and one half furlongs, failed to fill.

06-24-17<sup>2</sup> **LATE DECLARATIONS & REFUNDS**

7 <sup>th</sup> race:	#6 IRISH JACK (Tr. J. Bonde)		
	Sick - DVM Sporer	REFUND: \$	225.90
9 <sup>th</sup> race:	#1 SIX VOTES (Tr. J. Brook)		
	Sick - DVM Sporer	REFUND: \$	125.70

06-24-17<sup>3</sup> **FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice Jockey Lucas Gutierrez met with the stewards for a review of the fourth race from June 23, 2017. The young rider was cautioned about letting his mount drift and he acknowledged he erred.

06-24-17<sup>4</sup> **RACE 4 – CLAIM VOIDED**

The stewards voided the claim submitted by trainer Michael Curtis for the three year old gelding DAD'S A GAMBLER after the official Veterinarian Forrest Franklin, DVM, reported the horse was unsound in the right foreleg. DAD'S A GAMBLER was returned to the Blaine Wright barn.

06-24-17<sup>5</sup> **RACE 5 – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign following the fifth race for a review of an incident near the 1/16 pole involving #5 GIANT MARK (Pedro Terrero) first and #4 PACIFIC CHANNEL (Ricardo Gonzalez) who finished third.

After interviewing the riders involved, the patrol judges and reviewing the video, the stewards decided unanimously to make the original order of finish official.

The video shows the winner, GIANT MARK, drifts into the path of the tiring PACIFIC CHANNEL, who steadied briefly and was well beaten for second position.

06-24-17<sup>6</sup> **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

OTP	4,689	\$	459,643.00
NCOT	2,322	\$	947,189.00
SCOT		\$	261,385.70
Out of State		\$	447,684.67
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,011</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,115,902.37</b>

**SUNDAY**

06-25-17<sup>1</sup> **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-bred races for fillies and mares, three year olds and older, claiming \$14,000-\$16,000, five and one half furlongs, was used open with seven entries.

06-25-17<sup>2</sup> **LATE DECLARATIONS & REFUNDS**

8<sup>th</sup> race: #2 ANYTHINGSCOOKIN (Tr. J. Hollendorfer)  
 Sick - DVM Sporer REFUND: \$ 161.60  
 9<sup>th</sup> race: #1 AUSTRIA (Tr. L. Kasmerski)  
 Sick - DVM Sporer REFUND: \$ 206.55

06-25-17<sup>3</sup> **RULING NO. 2, 3 & 4 – CROP VIOLATIONS**

**RULING NO. 2**

Jockey **JOE CRISPIN** who rode **JESS FOR CUCU** in the second race on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at Oak Tree at Pleasanton is hereby fined the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop – used more than three times without giving the Horse a chance to respond). (Second offense in 60 days).

**RULING NO. 3**

Jockey **AARON GRYDER** who rode **TWO THE PUNCH** in the third race on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at Oak Tree at Pleasanton is hereby fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop – used more than three times without giving the Horse a chance to respond).

**RULING NO. 4**

Jockey **LUIS GODOY** who rode **TWOSTEPPINGCORONA** in the second race on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at Oak Tree at Pleasanton is hereby fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop – used more than three times without giving the Horse a chance to respond).

The foregoing rulings were issued after each rider contacted the stewards and admitted violating the crop rule and accepted the penalty imposed.

06-25-17<sup>4</sup> **VIDEO REVIEW – JOCKEY PEDRO TERRERO**

Jockey Pedro Terrero met with the stewards for a review of the fifth race from Saturday, June 24, 2017.

Mr. Terrero was involved in an inquiry as his mount, GIANT MARK, drifted in while passing a tiring horse late in the stretch. The stewards unanimously agreed that the incident, which did not result in a disqualification, was not suspended offense.

06-25-17<sup>5</sup> **CLEAR DAY**

The afternoon racing program was conducted without any noteworthy incidents.

06-25-17<sup>6</sup> **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

OTP	6,016	\$	448,772.30
NCOT	2,320	\$	864,683.60
SCOT		\$	246,341.60
Out of State		\$	477,493.22
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,336</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,037,290.72</b>

**M E E T S U M M A R Y**

**ATTENDANCE REPORT** - The full Board of Stewards was in attendance each racing day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

