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Report of the Board of Stewards To the California Horse Racing Board

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Report for the period Wednesday, October 11, 2017 through Sunday, October 15, 2017.

WEDNESDAY

10-11-17¹ **DARK DAY**

Steward David Nuesch was present this non-race day to supervise entries and scratches and to conduct office hours.

THURSDAY

10-12-17¹ **EARLY DECLARATIONS**

2 nd race:	#5 BLAZING IMAGE (Tr. I. Tamayo)		
	Deceased (colic) – DVM Sporer	REFUND: \$	54.00
6 th race:	#7 BUGGY BROWN (Tr. M. Hall)		
	Sick – DVM Sporer	REFUND: \$	18.50

10-12-17² **FILM REVIEW**

Jockey Jesus Velazquez appeared to review last Monday's first race where he finished second on a mule. Jesus used his crop after the wire because he thought the mule might go to bucking. Velazquez was told he was allowed to use the crop to control a rank mount but could not apply it in anticipation of that bad behavior. The following ruling was issued:

#8

Jockey **JESUS D. VELAZQUEZ** is fined the sum of Three Hundred dollars (\$300)* for using the crop on his mount past the finish line following the running of the first race on Monday, October 9, 2017; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (4) (Use of Riding Crop).

Jockey Eduard Rojas Fernandez was contacted by the stewards telephonically at Los Alamitos and he admitted he used the crop more than three times in succession while riding in the fourth race last Monday. The stewards imposed the penalty listed below:

#9

Jockey **EDUARD ROJAS FERNANDEZ** who rode **TWENTY FOUR BLACK** in the fourth race at The Big Fresno Fair on Monday, October 9, 2017 is 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 consecutive times without giving the horse a chance to respond – second offense in the past sixty days).

10-12-17³ **RACE 1 – LATE SCRATCH – REFUND**
 #5 OKLAHOMA RED, trained by W.L. McDaniel, was scratched on the recommendation of track veterinarian Sara Sporer, D.V.M. after she reported the filly was unsound in the hindquarters. On Vet’s list. The refund amounted to \$6,311.80.

10-12-17⁴ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

FNO	2,377	\$	202,900.10
NCOT	1,007	\$	364,520.60
SCOT		\$	38,550.20
Out of State		\$	<u>312,403.28</u>
TOTAL	3,384	\$	918,374.18

FRIDAY

10-13-17¹ **EARLY DECLARATIONS**

3 rd race:	#1 TIKI TORCH (Tr. J. Wong)		
	Injured – DVM Sporer	REFUND:	\$ 411.58
7 th race:	#1 WISC MISS (Tr. B. McLean)		
	Sick – DVM Sporer	REFUND:	SEE BELOW
	#3 MISS DIAMOND G (Tr. J. Wong)		
	Sick – DVM Sporer	REFUND:	\$ 171.00

10-13-17² **FILM REVIEW**
 Jockey Silvio Amador reviewed yesterday’s second race with the stewards after his mount drifted out considerably in the stretch under a left handed crop. Amador’s mount caused close quarters to two rivals who were passing on the outside and his was cautioned to be more aware when he strays off course.

10-13-17³ **RACE 1 – JOCKEY OBJECTION – NO CHANGE**
 Jockey Edgar Velasco, aboard #2 TEDDY BREWSKY the sixth place finisher, lodged an objection against the winner, #1 JAZZING NIBBLER ridden by Joe Crispin, claiming interference. Stewards after reviewing video felt both were equally responsible. “No Change.”

10-13-17⁴ **WIN WAGERING ONLY**
 The 7th race field was reduced to three betting interests due to two morning scratches. Win, exacta and trifecta were the only wagering opportunities offered.

10-13-17⁵ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

FNO	6,351	\$	284,971.90
NCOT	1,469	\$	579,101.80
SCOT		\$	134,428.10
Out of State		\$	<u>390,842.35</u>
TOTAL	7,820	\$	1,389,344.15

SATURDAY**10-14-17¹ SUBSTITUTE STEWARD**

Steward John Herbuveaux was excused for the final two days of racing to attend to family matters. Safety Steward Richard Lewis will step up to fill the position.

10-14-17² EARLY DECLARATIONS

4th race: #1 BLOOMING HANNAH (Tr. R. Amescua)

Sick – DVM Sporer

REFUND: \$ 50.00

7th race: #3 BUNKER BUSTER (Tr. C. DeLima)

Sick – DVM Sporer

REFUND: \$ 221.60

10-14-17³ RODGERS RULING #10

Assistant Trainer, Gary Rogers met with this Board of Stewards to answer to complaint 15GG0062. Based on Mr. Rogers voluntary admission to a 20 day Detox Program followed by a six month rehabilitation program then a year and a half employment with the Salvation Army Transitional Living Program, this Panel produced the following ruling.

#10

Assistant Trainer **GARY DALE ROGERS** having shown proof of rehabilitation concerning an incident in 2015 at Golden Gate Fields is hereby placed on probation for the term of his license (01/2018) and placed on a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board. For violation of California Horse Racing Board rule 1874- (Disorderly Conduct – Intoxication).

10-14-17⁴ DURAN RULING #11

Jockey Hugo Herrera represented rider Francisco Duran with regards to a crop violation in the previous day's 7th race. Video clearly show the crop being used more than three times while nearing the wire. Mr. Duran had admitted though his rep that he was in error. The following ruling was issued:

#11

Jockey **FRANCISCO DURAN** who rode **PEPPERED JO** in the seventh race at The Big Fresno Fair on Friday, October 13, 2017 is 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 consecutive times without giving the horse a chance to respond).

10-14-17⁵ VELASCO FILM REVIEW

Edgar Velasco attend films with the Stewards to review two different races he rode in. The call to see films was for educational purposes to help him improve his riding.

10-14-17⁶ RACE 1 – TRAINER OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

After the running of the First Race, a Mule event, trainer Ron White called to lodge an objection. This was based on his thought that the winner, #3 SENORITA, drifted out interfering with #6, BAR JF RED TICKET. The video shows #3 clear and extending her lead while drifting out. No change was made to the order of finish.

10-14-17⁷ RACE 3 – VOIDED CLAIM

The claim of #3, REUBEN JAMES, by Trainer Felix Rodan was voided upon advice of CHRB Vet Franklin due to soundness issues. The horse was added to the "Vet's List" and returned to the care of Trainer Michael Lenzini.

10-14-17⁸ RACE 6 – VOIDED CLAIM

The claim of the winner, GUMMY, by trainer K. Castaneda in a 3-way shake was voided after the gelding was placed on the "Vet's List". Dr. Franklin cited soundness problems in the left front limb. The horse was sent back to the barn of Trainer Jonathan Wong.

10-14-17⁹ **RACE 8 – VOIDED CLAIM**

DROUILLARD, runner-up in the 8th race, was observed during post-race cooling down period by CHRB Vet Franklin as unsound in the right front leg. Claim deposited for trainer J.F. Martin was declared void and 4 year old gelding was returned to the care of trainer O.J. Jauregui.

10-14-17¹⁰ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

FNO	7,939	\$	324,079.30
NCOT	2,445	\$	953,908.60
SCOT		\$	174,704.70
Out of State		\$	374,454.47
TOTAL	10,384	\$	1,827,147.07

SUNDAY10-15-17¹ **EARLY DECLARATIONS AND CHANGES**

2nd race: #7 THIRTY SIX CURLS (Tr. R. Guillen)

Jockey change: Francisco Monroy for Luis Lira

7th race: #1 PASS DUE PAYMENT (Tr. R. Perez)

Jockey change: Jesus Velazquez for Rocco Bowen

8th race: #6 CHIEF BARBARA (Tr. E. Baze II)

Sick – DVM Sporer

REFUND: \$ 1,834.60

10-15-17² **AQUINO RULING #12**

The horse HIGH ALERT trained by Angela Aquino failed to work to be eligible to start in the 9th race on Saturday. The following ruling was put out after discussion with the trainer:

#12

Trainer **ANGELA AQUINO** is hereby fined the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration) for failure to have sufficient works on the horse **HIGH ALERT** necessitating a scratch in the ninth race on Saturday, October 14, 2017.

10-15-17³ **RACE 8 – RIDER CHANGE**

Jockey Catalino Martinez after riding the 7th race reported that he was not feeling well. He was excused from his mount in the last race, #1 THRILLING RON. He was replaced by Jesus Velasquez.

10-15-17⁴ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

FNO	9,149	\$	323,170.50
NCOT	2,259	\$	795,924.80
SCOT		\$	162,930.10
Out of State		\$	583,909.17
TOTAL	11,408	\$	1,865,934.57

M E E T S U M M A R Y

ATTENDANCE REPORT - The full panel of stewards were present on all race days.

VETERINARY REPORT - Euthanized / Died – NONE

Veterinarian's List

There were (12) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 6 Injured: 1 Unsound: 4 Bled: 1

There were (7) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 5 Injured: 2

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
12-Oct.	2	5	BLAZING IMAGE	I. Tamayo	Deceased Colic	Sporer	\$ 54.00
12-Oct.	6	7	BUGGY BROWN	M. Hall	Sick	Sporer	\$ 18.50
12-Oct.	1	5	OKLAHOMA RED	W.L. McDaniel	Unsound	Sporer	\$ 6,311.80
13-Oct.	3	1	TIKI TORCH	J. Wong	Injured	Sporer	\$ 411.58
13-Oct.	7	1	WISC MISS	B. McLean	Sick	Sporer	SEE BELOW
13-Oct.	7	3	MISS DIAMOND	J. Wong	Sick	Sporer	\$ 171.00
14-Oct.	4	1	BLOOMING HANNAH	R. Amescua	Sick	Sporer	\$ 50.00
14-Oct.	7	3	BUNKER BUSTER	C. DeLima	Sick	Sporer	\$ 221.60
15-Oct.	8	6	CHIEF BARBARA	E. Baze II	Sick	Sporer	\$ 1,834.60

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	\$ 0
Banker's Casino	\$ 0
Golden Gate	\$ 627,291.80
Monterey	\$ 58,720.70
Pleasanton	\$ 365,709.00
Sacramento	\$ 271,486.50
San Jose	\$ 297,883.20
San Mateo	\$ 724,022.70
Santa Rosa	\$ 0
Stockton	\$ 162,990.80
Turlock	\$ 0
Vallejo	\$ 185,351.10
So. California	\$ 510,613.10
Out of State	\$ 1,661,609.27

	12 - Oct.	13 - Oct.	14 - Oct.	15 - Oct.	WEEK	MEET
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	1
CLAIMS	0	3	2	0	5	11
VOIDED CLAIMS	0	0	3	0	3	5
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	0	1	1	0	2	5
DISQUALIFICATION	0	0	0	0	0	2
REFUNDS	3	3	2	1	9	26
RULINGS	2	0	2	1	5	12

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Lewis, Steward

David Nuesch, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward