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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, January 09, 2012 through Sunday, January 15, 2012. Steward Will Meyers was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

1/9/12 (1)

Entries for Thursday

Eight (8) races drew fifty six (56) entries for Thursday. No Cal-Bred races were used.

1/9/12 (2)

Dark Day

Tuesday

1/10/12 (1)

Scratches for Thursday- Entries for Friday and Saturday

Numerous driver changes were made for Thursday's card.

Friday's fourteen (14) race card drew ninety five (95) entries twelve (12) races are carded for Saturday with eighty two (82) horses entered. No Cal-Bred races were used.

1/10/12 (2)

Dark Day

Wednesday

1/11/12 (1)

Scratches and Changes for Friday and Saturday

Three (3) scratches and numerous driver changes were taken for Friday and Saturday.

1/11/12 (2)

Dark Day

Thursday

1/12/12 (1)

First Race Inquiry-Accident/ No Change

#3 “Style Element” (Trainer Robert J. Johnson) went “Off Stride” during the start and fell shortly after, the commencement of the race unseating Driver Richard Wojcio. Driver Wojcio was checked by the ambulance and cleared to drive. Wojcio opted to take off his remaining mounts. “Style Element” was reportedly banged up from the fall, but otherwise “OK” according to state veterinarian Robert Goodbary. An accident report will be attached to these minutes.

1/12/12 (2)

Program Changes

3rd Race Driver Change - #6 “Little Santamonica”

James Lackey for programmed Driver Richard Wojcio

4th Race Declaration - #5 “Wicked Beach” – Trainer Karen Isbell

Refund: \$617 Injured - Robert Goodbary D.V.M.

4th Race Driver Change - #2 “Blissful Kassie”

James Kennedy for programmed Driver Richard Wojcio

5th Race Declaration - #6 “Gorgeous Forever” – Trainer Raul Escobedo

Refund: \$314 Injured – Robert Goodbary D.V.M.

1/12/12 (3)

Attendance and Handle

Attendance	124
Live Handle (On Track)	\$22,388
Handle (In State)	\$144,627
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$195,935</u>
Total Handle	\$362,951

Friday

1/13/12 (1)

4th Race Inquiry

The inquiry sign was posted to review possible interference by 5th place finisher #2 “Hi Ho Hi Ho” (Richard Wojcio) to 6th place finisher #4 “Tequila On Ice” (James Lackey). After review it was determined that #2 had pulled to the outside leaving an opening for #4 to come up the inside. As #4 comes up the inside #2 comes back toward the inside causing Driver Lackey to pull #4 out of the pacing gait and lose a chance at a better placing. #2 was placed 6th for the interference. Driver Wojcio will visit the Stewards tomorrow.

1/13/12 (2)

12th Race Equipment Problem-Recall-Late Declaration

As the field approached the start #5 “Red Star Fiona” (Richard Wojcio) suffered broken equipment (Girth Strap) causing a recall. The equipment could not be fixed in a timely manner and the horse was scratched.

1/13/12 (3)

13th Race Inquiry- Disqualification

#7 “Bo Knows Power” (James Lackey) who finished 5th was observed coming out in deep stretch placing a wheel under #3 “Keyword Hanover” causing Driver James Kennedy to check sharply costing #3 a chance at a better placing. Driver Lackey will report to the Stewards tomorrow.

1/13/12 (4)

Program Changes

12th Race Declaration - #5 “Red Star Fiona” – Trainer Larry Hastings

Refund: \$13,151 Equipment Condition-Stewards

1/13/12 (5)	<u>Attendance and Handle</u>	
	Attendance	228
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$35,475
	Handle (In State)	\$330,785
	Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$392,274</u>
	Total Handle	\$758,534

Saturday**1/14/12 (1) Richard Wojcio Ruling [REF: 1/12/12 (1)]****RULING # 03**

DRIVER **RICHARD WOJCIO**, WHO DROVE “**HI HO HI HO**” IN THE FOURTH RACE ON FRIDAY JANUARY 13, 2012 IS HEREBY FINED TWO HUNDRED (**\$200.00**)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # **1721 (A)** (DRIVING RULES –CHANGE EITHER TO THE RIGHT OR LEFT DURING ANY PART OF THE RACE WHEN ANOTHER HORSE IS SO NEAR THAT IN ALTERING THE POSITION OF HIS HORSE HE COMPELS THE HORSE BEHIND HIM TO SHORTEN HIS STRIDE, OR CAUSES THE DRIVER OF SUCH OTHER HORSE TO PULL SUCH HORSE OUT OF HIS STRIDE). INCIDENT OCCURRED AFTER THE HALF MILE MARKER - RESULTING IN A DISQUALIFICATION.

The above ruling was issued after Wojcio appeared and accepted the penalty with a promise to keep a closer watch on his fellow drivers.

1/14/2012 (2) Harold Herrera Ruling**RULING # 04**

DRIVER **HAROLD HERRERA**, WHO DROVE “**BADGER CREEK**” IN THE TENTH RACE ON JANUARY 13, 2012, IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED (**\$100.00**)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #**1530** (CASES NOT COVERED – VIOLATION OF ‘CAL-EXPO HOUSE WHIPPING RULE’ – (4)(A) ANY BLATANT OR EXAGGERATED MOVEMENTS OF THE WHIPPING ARM WHICH WILL RESULT FROM RAISING THE ELBOW ABOVE THE DRIVER’S SHOULDER HEIGHT AND/OR ALLOWING THE HAND HOLDING THE WHIP TO REACH BEHIND THE DRIVER DURING THE USE OF THE WHIP).

The above ruling was issued after Herrera appeared for the second time this season on a whipping violation. The Stewards took extra time to emphasize what Herrera was doing wrong and he needs to correct his actions or face much stiffer penalties.

1/14/12 (3) James Lackey Ruling [REF: 1/13/12 (3)]**RULING # 05**

DRIVER JAMES LACKEY, WHO DROVE “BO KNOWS POWER” IN THE THIRTEENTH RACE ON FRIDAY JANUARY 13, 2012 IS HEREBY FINED TWO HUNDRED (\$200.00)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1721 (J) (DRIVING RULES – CHANGE COURSE AFTER SELECTING A POSITION IN THE HOMESTRETCH, OR BEAR IN OR OUT IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO INTERFERE WITH ANOTHER HORSE OR CAUSE HIM TO CHANGE STRIDE OR BREAK). INCIDENT OCCURRED MID STRETCH - RESULTING IN A DISQUALIFICATION.

The above ruling was issued after Lackey contacted the Stewards and accepted responsibility for causing interference in the drive stretch of last nights 13th race.

- 1/14/12 (4) **Hastings In**
Trainer Larry Hastings was in to explain the equipment problem with #5 “Red Star Fiona” in last nights 12th race. Hastings related that it was a broken girth strap and that the safety strap was still secure preventing any accident. Hastings, who is a conscientious trainer, was at a loss to explain the breakage. In forty years of training Mr. Hastings had never seen or had it happen before.
- 1/14/12 (5) **Qualifiers**
In tonight’s three qualifying races, six (6) of twelve (12) made the grade.
- 1/14/12 (6) **Good Evening**
Tonight’s races were conducted without incident.
- 1/14/12 (7) **Program Changes**
1st Race Declaration - #2 “Sad Parting” - Trainer- Raul Escobedo
Refund- \$420 Injured- Robert Goodbary D.V.M.
7th Race Declaration - #3 “Cinnamon” - Trainer Rick Cisco
Refund- \$442 Injured- Robert Goodbary D.V.M.
- 1/14/12 (8) **Attendance and Handle**
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| Attendance | 319 |
| Live Handle (On Track) | \$34,481 |
| Handle (In State) | \$258,070 |
| Handle (Out of State) | <u>\$309,904</u> |
| Total Handle | \$602,455 |

Cal-Expo Harness Association

<u>Date</u>	<u>Ruling #</u>	
1/14/12	03	Driver Richard Wojcio, who drove “HI HO HI HO” in the fourth race on Friday January 13, 2012 is hereby fined two hundred (\$200.00)* dollars for violation of California horse racing board rule # 1721 (a) (driving rules –change either to the right or left during any part of the race when another horse is so near that in altering the position of his horse he compels the horse behind him to shorten his stride, or causes the driver of such other horse to pull

such horse out of his stride). Incident occurred after the half mile marker - resulting in a disqualification.

- 1/14/12 04 Driver Harold Herrera, who drove “BADGER CREEK” in the tenth race on January 13, 2012, is hereby fined the sum of one hundred (\$100.00)* dollars for violation of California horse racing board rule #1530 (cases not covered – violation of ‘cal-expo house whipping rule’ – (4)(a) any blatant or exaggerated movements of the whipping arm which will result from raising the elbow above the driver’s shoulder height and/or allowing the hand holding the whip to reach behind the driver during the use of the whip).
- 1/14/12 05 Driver James Lackey, who drove “BO KNOWS POWER” in the thirteenth race on Friday January 13, 2012 is hereby fined two hundred (\$200.00)* dollars for violation of California horse racing board rule # 1721 (j) (driving rules – change course after selecting a position in the homestretch, or bear in or out in such a manner as to interfere with another horse or cause him to change stride or break). Incident occurred mid stretch - resulting in a disqualification.

W E E K L Y S U M M A R Y

ATTENDANCE REPORT -

The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Vet</u>	<u>Refund</u>
12-Jan	3	6	LITTLE SANTAMONICA	WILKINSON	Driver	Goodbary	\$57.00
	4	2	BLISSFUL KASSIE	BELL	Driver	Goodbary	\$205.00
	4	5	WICKED BEACH	ISBELL	Injured	Goodbary	\$411.00
	5	5	GORGEOUS FORVER	ESCABEDO	Injured	Goodbary	\$314.00
13-Jan	12	5	RED STAR FIONA	HASTINGS	Equipment	Goodbary	\$13,511.00
14-Jan	1	2	SAD PARTING	ESCABEDO	Injured	Goodbary	\$420.00
	7	3	CINNAMON	CISCO	Injured	Goodbary	\$442.00

WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Bakersfield \$ 5,351.60

Fresno	\$	3,347.70
Fresno Club One	\$	1,485.80
Golden Gate	\$	27,921.10
Monterey	\$	4,673.00
Pleasanton	\$	14,436.20
Sacramento	\$	72,401.10
San Jose	\$	24,402.10
San Mateo	\$	32,565.40
Santa Rosa	\$	4,925.20
Stockton	\$	10,924.70
Tulare	\$	374.00
Turlock	\$	-
Vallejo	\$	8,794.80
No. California	\$	72,237.30
So. California	\$	295,980.90
Out of State	\$	898,112.27