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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, April 28, 2014 through Sunday, May 04, 2014. Steward Grant Baker was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

04/28/14 (1) Entry/ Draw Day

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Friday, May 2nd and Saturday, May 3rd. Eleven (11) races were drawn for Friday, May 2nd and seventy four (74) horses are scheduled to start.

04/28/14 (2) Dark Day

Tuesday

04/29/14 (1) Entry/ Scratch Day

Scratches and changes for Friday, May 2nd were taken in the racing office this morning. There was one (1) scratch and seventeen (17) driver changes submitted. All changes were activated after today's 9:00AM deadline. Racing Secretary Fred Kuebler and his staff were on duty today and races were drawn for Saturday, May 3rd. Ten (10) races will be carded. Seventy (70) horses were scheduled to start.

04/29/14 (2) Dark Day

Wednesday

04/30/14 (1) Scratch Day

The racing office was open today accepting scratches and changes for Saturday, May 3rd. There were no scratches submitted. Twenty two (22) driver changes were submitted. All changes were activated after the 9:00AM deadline.

04/30/14 (2) **Dark Day**

Thursday

05/01/14 (1) **Dark Day**

Friday

05/02/14 (1) **Robert Roesch Film Review (Ref: 04/26/14 (4))**

Driver Robert Roesch appeared in the Stewards' office in order to review his drive in the tenth race on April 26th. Safety Steward Tom McCarthy also attended this film review. Driver Roesch was aboard #5 'Put Back' who finished third, but was disqualified and placed fifth for stretch interference on #4 'Quick On My Feet' (Tim Maier) who originally finished fifth in this race. The Stewards had two (2) issues of concerns during film review with Driver Roesch. The first issue was the disqualification. The second issue was Driver Roesch alleged misuse of his whip. Film review shows #5 'Put Back' racing in eighth position with a ¼ mile left to race. #5 'Put Back' closes much ground in the stretch under heavy right handed urging. In this race's final eighty (80) yards #5 'Put Back' angled inward and took the path of #4 'Quick On My Feet' by putting a wheel under this rival's sulky.

As mentioned earlier #5 'Put Back' was closing well in the stretch. However, the use of the whip in this case was unreasonable as the burly driver repeatedly wound up and took the whip back behind his head before striking his mount. The Stewards unanimously voted to issue the following rulings.

RULING # 49

DRIVER ROBERT ROESCH, WHO DROVE "PUT BACK" IN THE TENTH RACE ON SATURDAY APRIL 26, 2014, IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1734 (WHIPPING – UNREASONABLE USE OF WHIP).

RULING # 50

DRIVER ROBERT ROESCH, WHO DROVE "PUT BACK" IN THE TENTH RACE ON SATURDAY APRIL 26, 2014, IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED (\$200.00)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1721 (E) (DRIVING RULES – CROWD A HORSE OR DRIVER BY PUTTING A WHEEL UNDER HIM) AND 1721 (I) (DRIVING RULES – COMMIT ANY ACT WHICH SHALL IMPEDE THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE OR CAUSE HIM TO BREAK) RESULTING IN A DISQUALIFICATION FROM THIRD TO FIFTH.

05/02/14 (2) **Post Time Change**

Watch and Wager.Com moved their first post time forward tonight.

05/02/14 (3) **Sixth Race Inquiry**

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign after viewing second place finisher #7 'Keystone Shay' make a break shortly before the start of this race. The Stewards also wanted to review his pacing gait after the start and soon

determined that he was only rough-gaited. After film review, in a unanimous decision, the Stewards voted to let the original order of finish stand. No change.

05/02/14 (4) **Eighth Race Recall**

Starter Bill Vallandingham flashed his 'recall lights' as the field for this race approached the start. #3 'Native Country' (Tim Maier) was reported to have equipment problems. After this problem was corrected a second attempt at a start went off without a hitch.

05/02/14 (5) **Program Changes**

4th Race Driver Change: #2 "M. Jarvis for G. Vallandingham

Stewards – Driver Had Trainee in Race

6th Race Declaration: #2 "Girls Lie Too" – Trainer Nick Casale

Refund:\$82.80

Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM

05/02/14 (6) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	440
Live Handle (On Track)	\$42,431
Handle (In State)	\$338,726
<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$399,376</u>
Total Handle	\$780,533

Saturday

05/03/14 (1) **Tim Maier Film Review**

Driver Tim Maier appeared in the Steward's office in order to review his drive from the second race last night (May 2nd). Maier drove #3 'Silverlode' who finished fourth in a five (5) horse field. #3 'Silverlode' was trotting on the lead with an eighth of a mile to the finish. Eventual second place finisher #4 'Axle' (David Siegel) was racing alongside 'Silverlode' at this point. Even money favorite #5 'Sharpshootennorris' (Steve Wiseman) is racing behind these two rivals with a little over one hundred (100) yards to go. #3 'Silverlode' then leaves his straight course and drops over to the track pylons to finish the race. #5 'Sharpshootennorris' suddenly has an opening that didn't exist earlier and trots on to victory. Driver Maier told the Stewards that he was avoiding #4 'Axle' (David Siegel) in the stretch. The Stewards did not concur with this analysis and Driver Maier was put on notice that any definite violations of CHRB #1721 (F) (Driving Rules) will be seriously addressed when warranted. Warning issued.

05/03/14 (2) **David Siegel Film Review**

Driver David Siegel appeared in the Steward's office in order to review his drive aboard #7 'Looks Don't Count' who finished second in the eighth race on Friday, May 2nd. This horse was starting from outside post position #7 in this race. Approaching the start of this race #7 'Looks Don't Count' is off the starting gate, then crosses over and actually starts behind rival #6 'Van Donk' (Robert Roesch). Following film review Driver Siegel concurred that he had crossed over before the field of horses had reached the starting point. In a unanimous decision the Stewards issued the following ruling.

RULING # 51

DRIVER **DAVID SIEGEL**, WHO DROVE “**LOOKS DON’T COUNT**” IN THE EIGHTH RACE ON MAY 2, 2014, IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED (**\$100.00**)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1731 (E) (DRIVING INFRACTIONS [STARTING RULES] – CROSSING OVER BEFORE REACHING THE START) AND #1731 (G) (DRIVING INFRACTIONS – FAIL TO COME UP INTO POSITION).

05/03/14 (3) **No Show Wagering**

Tonight’s seventh race was originally carded with seven (7) wagering interests. The late defections of #3 ‘Hi Fidelity’ (Trainer Rick Cisco), #3 ‘Free Girl’ (Trainer Tim Brown) and #7 ‘Windsun T Bird’ (Trainer Tim Brown) took this field down to four (4) starters. The Stewards subsequently cancelled Show Wagering and the appropriate refunds were made.

05/03/14 (4) **Good Racing**

Tonight’s penultimate racing card of the season was relatively problem free. There were no inquiries and/or driver objections throughout the ten (10) race card.

05/03/14 (5) **Program Changes**

9th Race Declarations: #3 “Hi Fidelity” – Trainer Rick Cisco

Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM

#6 “Free Girl” – Trainer Tim Brown

Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM

#7 “Windsun T Bird” – Trainer Tim Brown

Total Refunds:\$115.00

Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM

05/03/14 (6) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	260
Live Handle (On Track)	\$41,528
Handle (In State)	\$338,255
Handle (Out of State)	\$303,166
Total Handle	\$682,949

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

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
2-May	6	2	GIRLS LIE TOO	NICK CASALE	Injured	Zucco	\$ 82.80
3-May	9	3	HI FIDELITY	RICK CISCO	Injured	Zucco	\$ 38.33
3-May	9	6	FREE GIRL	TIM BROWN	Injured	Zucco	\$ 38.33
3-May	9	7	WINDSUN T BIRD	TIM BROWN	Injured	Zucco	\$ 38.33

WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Bakersfield	\$	-
Fresno	\$	3,590.00
Fresno Club One	\$	965.70
Golden Gate	\$	20,695.20
Monterey	\$	3,046.70
Pleasanton	\$	9,776.50
Sacramento	\$	64,095.60
San Jose	\$	16,861.10
San Mateo	\$	30,162.90
Santa Rosa	\$	5,226.40
Stockton	\$	13,003.70
Tulare	\$	-
Turlock	\$	-
Vallejo	\$	8,668.50
No. California	\$	-
So. California	\$	2,540.70
Out of State	\$	-

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SUMMARY 2014**

	Mon 04/28	Tues 04/29	Wed 04/30	Thurs 05/01	Fri 05/02	Sat 05/03	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	D	0	0	0	2
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	A	0	0	0	35
Claims	R	R	R	R	1	0	1	24
Disqualifications	K	K	K	K	0	0	0	23
Inquiries	D	D	D	D	1	0	1	59
Refunds	A	A	A	A	1	3	4	154
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	1	3	51

Stewards Attendance: Stewards Baker, Meyers and Oke were in attendance.

Grant Baker, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward