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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, October 13, 2014 through Sunday, October 19, 2014. Steward Michael W. "Wayne" Oke was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

10/13/14 (1) **Dark Day**

Tuesday

10/14/14 (1) **Entries and Draw for Saturday, 10/18/14**

The race office was open this morning accepting entries for Saturdays' card. At the 1:30PM draw one hundred eighteen (118) head were drawn to compete in fifteen (15) races. Scratch time is tomorrow, Wednesday at 9:00AM.

10/14/14 (2) **Kim Stevens Schneider/ Quentin Schneider Trainer's License**

Owner/Trainer/Driver Quentin Schneider and his wife Kim Schneider approached the Stewards concerning the possibility of licensing Mrs. Schneider as a Trainer. Mrs. Schneider holds a Standardbred Canada "Trainers" License, and has been licensed in that capacity for four (4) years. However, it should be noted that Mrs. Schneider has never been listed as a Trainer during that period. In light of these facts the Board of Stewards were of the unanimous opinion that Mrs. Schneider should take the "California Trainers Test" prior to being permitted to assume responsibility for training the family stable. While this determination was not warmly received the coupled agreed to abide by the decision.

10/14/14 (3) **Normal Days Office Activity**

The regular offices functions, transfers, trainer changes and Vet, Steward's list updates were handled with no unusual occurrences.

10/14/14 (4) **Dark Day**

Wednesday

10/15/14 (1)

Scratch Time for Saturday's Card

At scratch time for Saturday's card there were numerous driver changes, two (2) sick scratches and four (4) injured scratches.

10/15/14 (2)

Starter and Starting Gate Driver In

Starter Ken Fowler and Starting Gate Driver Dan Dana visited with the Stewards this morning and reviewed all fourteen (14) races from the previous Saturday's (10/11) card. The purpose being to develop a better understanding of "starting protocol" and to review the reasons for a "recall." A good meeting which benefited all involved and augers well for the new meet. Of note is the fact that the USTA rule book specifies six (6) criteria for having a recall. While the CHRB rule book contains four (4) reasons for a recall. The criteria differing in the two is the rules (1) "When a horse comes to the gate out of position." (2) When there is a malfunction of the starting gate. Criteria which should be included in the CHRB rule book.

10/15/14 (3)

Dark Day**Thursday**

10/16/14 (1)

Dark Day**Friday**

10/17/14 (1)

Dark Day**Saturday**

10/18/14 (1)

Qualifying Entries and Sheet

The race office was open this morning accepting entries for qualifying races to be conducted prior to this evening's card. The resultant qualifying sheet showed twenty one (21) head competing in five (5) qualifying races scheduled to commence at 4:15PM.

10/18/14 (2)

Trainer Injured

Trainer Robert "Bob" Johnson was injured on the main track this morning, when a two year old trotting colt he was training stumbled and fell, ejecting him from the jog cart. Johnson was transported by ambulance to Kaiser Hospital where it was determined he had suffered a fractured pelvis. That matter was turned over to Safety Steward McCarthy for further investigation and report.

10/18/14 (3)

Film Review/ Driver Sean Smithpeters [Ref: 10/11/14 (5)]

Driver Sean Smithpeters appeared as requested in order to review his drive on #1 "Rhi's Western Star" in the ninth race on Saturday, October 11th. Driver Smithpeters acknowledged not having complete control of his horse resulting in the ensuing situation and horse not finishing the race. In a majority decision the Stewards (Steward Oke voting for a larger penalty two hundred dollars \$200.00) issued the following.

RULING # 02

DRIVER SEAN SMITHPETERS, WHO DROVE #1 “RHI’S WESTERN STAR” IN THE NINTH RACE ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 11, 2014, IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1721 (I) (COMMIT ANY ACT WHICH SHALL IMPEDE THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE OR CAUSE HIM TO BREAK).

- 10/18/14 (4) **Trainer In**
 Trainer Tim Brown appeared as requested. At issues was Trainer Brown’s absence from the Paddock when horses under his care are in the Paddock. Trainer Brown acknowledge his culpability in this situation and stated it would not be a problem in the future. In light of Trainer Brown’s commitment the Stewards felt a warning was appropriate.
- 10/18/14 (5) **Reciprocity**
 Investigator Duane Tadlock appeared in the Stewards’ office in order to explain that according to the CHRB General Counsel Robert Miller, reciprocity to a suspension issued in another racing jurisdiction is not “automatic,” but rather must be confirmed by the Board of Stewards in a hearing. At issue was a six (6) month suspension issued to a Trainer in another jurisdiction for a Class “A” medication violation. The Trainer in question currently holds a valid CHRB Training License. A hearing has been schedule for November 8, 2014 on the matter. More to follow.
- 10/18/14 (6) **Second Race Inquiry/ No Change**
 The ‘inquiry’ sign was lit in order to allow the Stewards to review the actions of fourth place finisher #1 “Bank of Lodi” (James Lackey) relative to the ‘pylon rule.’ After reviewing video the Stewards unanimously concluded that #1 made contact with a pylon there was no violation of the pylon rule thus no change. Driver Lackey was issued a warning by the Stewards.
- 10/18/14 (7) **Fifteenth Race Inquiry/ No Change**
 The ‘inquiry’ sign was lit in order to review the actions of race winner #7 “I’m An Athlete” (David Siegel) in order to allow the Stewards to investigate the actions of #7 relative to the ‘pylon rule.’ After reviewing the actions of #7 the Stewards unanimously concluded that #7 while striking and going inside a pylon was not in violation of the pylon rule. Thus no change. Driver Siegel was ordered to film review. More to follow.
- 10/18/14 (8) **Claims**
 There were two (2) claims on the evening’s card.
 Modern Look – Claimed by Trainer Edwin Quevado for his own account.
 Little Nicky B –Claim by Trainer Luke Plano for Nicky Hudson (his spouse).
- 10/18/14 (9) **Qualifying Races**
 Five (5) qualifying races were conducted with nineteen (19) horses successful in their qualifying effort.

10/18/14 (10) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	293
Live Handle (On Track)	\$46,010
Handle (In State)	\$233,521
<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$310,758</u>
Total Handle	\$590,289

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

The full Board of Stewards were in session each day during
ATTENDANCE REPORT - 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>
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WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Bakersfield	\$	-
Fresno	\$	689.30
Fresno Club One	\$	381.50
Golden Gate	\$	10,979.00
Monterey	\$	1,783.40
Pleasanton	\$	5,399.90
Sacramento	\$	40,026.00
San Jose	\$	8,673.60
San Mateo	\$	11,266.10
Santa Rosa	\$	1,688.70
Stockton	\$	3,397.70
Tulare	\$	-
Turlock	\$	-
Vallejo	\$	-
No. California	\$	-
So. California	\$	621.50
Out of State	\$	-

**WATCH AND WAGER LLC – CAL EXPO
SUMMARY
2014**

	Mon 10/13	Tues 10/14	Wed 10/15	Thurs 10/16	Fri 10/17	Sat 10/18	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	D	D	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	A	A	0	0	0
Claims	R	R	R	R	R	2	2	4
Disqualifications	K	K	K	K	K	0	0	1
Inquiries	D	D	D	D	D	2	2	4
Refunds	A	A	A	A	A	0	0	6
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1	1	2

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

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward