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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, November 16, 2015 through Sunday, November 22, 2015. Steward Michael W. "Wayne" Oke was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

11/16/15 (1) **Dark Day**

Tuesday

11/17/15 (1) **Stewards Meeting/ Del Mar**

The Board of Stewards Baker, Meyers and Oke attended a stewards meeting today at Del Mar. An extremely well attended event with lively discussions on a variety of topic of concern to all.

11/17/15 (2) **Retirement Party/George Slender**

At the conclusion of the stewards meeting everyone adjourned to "Jakes" Restaurant to honor long time Steward George Slender. We were joined by many of George's relatives and friends a testament to a great guy and respected "racing official."

11/17/15 (3) **Entries for Saturday & Sunday and Draw for Saturday, 11/21/15**

The race office was open today accepting entries for Saturday's and Sunday's cards. At the 2:00PM draw for Saturday's twelve (12) race card, ninety six (96) horses were drawn to go postward. Duty Steward Wayne Oke was in contact with the race office at all times during the process. Scratch time is tomorrow, Wednesday at 9:00AM.

11/17/15 (4) **Dark Day**

Wednesday

11/18/15 (1) **Scratch Time for Saturday's Card**

At scratch time for Saturday's card there were numerous driver corrections, three (3) injured scratches and two (2) Steward's scratches. Two (2) horses "drew in" from the also eligible list.

11/18/15 (2) **Draw for Sundays Card**

At the 10:30AM draw for Sunday's ten (10) race card eighty two (82) horses were drawn to fill the card. Scratch time is tomorrow, Thursday at 9:00AM.

11/18/15 (3) **Dark Day**

Thursday

11/19/15 (1) **Dark Day**

Friday

11/20/15 (1) **Dark Day**

Saturday

11/21/15 (1) **Qualifying Entries**

The race office was open this morning accepting entries for qualifying races to be contested this evening. The resultant qualifying sheet showed twelve (12) head competing in two (2) qualifying events commencing at 5:00PM.

11/21/15 (2) **Luke Plano [Re: Cases 15SW0020 & 15SW0022; Ref: 11/12/15 (2)]**

After considering the facts presented at the formal hearing convened on November 12, 2015 in the aforementioned complaints. The Board of Stewards dismissed complaint #15SW0020 and issued the following ruling relative to complaint #15SW0022. Driver Luke Plano accepted the following ruling without complaint.

RULING # 10

DRIVER LUKE PLANO, WHO DROVE "KABLOOIE" IN THE SECOND RACE ON APRIL 4, 2015 AND HAVING APPEARED AT A FORMAL HEARING ON NOVEMBER 12, 2015 ADDRESSING CHRB COMPLAINT #15SW0022. IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF THREE HUNDRED (\$300.00)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1734 "WHIPPING" CAUSING VISIBLE INJURY (WHIP WELT).

11/21/15 (3) **Drivers In [Ref: 11/15/15 (1)]**

Drivers Mike Jarvis, Steve Nichols and Frank Petrelli, attended film review relative to possible violations of the "house whipping rule." After discussing the individual situations and reviewing video each driver was issued a warning and advised that any further transgressions would result in sanctions.

11/21/15 (3) **Qualifying Races**

Two (2) qualifying races were conducted commencing at 5:00PM. Of twelve (12) participants ten (10) were successful in their qualifying effort.

11/21/15 (4) **Fourth Race/ Late Scratch/ No Show Wagering**

While the horses were parading for the fourth race #3 "Commandergalleon N" (Mark Kennedy) reared and fell. The horse was scratched on the recommendation

of Track Vet Dr. DeLa Cruz as a precautionary measure. (Accident report attached).

This incident combined with the earlier injured scratch of #1 Claim Jumper” (Frank Petrelli) from a six (6) horse field resulted in the cancelling of “show wagering” on the event.

#3 “Commandergalleon N” was placed on the ‘Stewards List’ and must re-qualify before competing in pari-mutuel events.

11/21/15 (5) **Fifth Race Starter Recommended Sanction**

At the conclusion of the fifth race Starter Ken Fowler recommended a sanction against Driver George Luster #7 “Lodi Nicholus” for “failing to come up into position.” As a result of this recommendation the following ruling was issued.

RULING # 11

DRIVER **GEORGE LUSTER**, WHO DROVE “**LODI NICKOLUS**” IN THE FIFTH RACE AT CAL-EXPO ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2015, IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF FIFTY (**\$50.00**)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1731 (G) (STARTING RULES – FAILURE TO COME UP INTO POSITION).

11/21/15 (6) **Seventh Race Claim**

Race winner #9 “Onesportonly” was halted by Owner Juan Pacheco for Trainer Lester Smith in a three (3) way shake conducted by Steward Will Meyers, for a claiming price two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00).

11/21/15 (7) **Ninth Race Inquiry/ No Change**

The “inquiry” sign was posted in order to review the actions of fourth place finisher #3 “Native’s Revenge” (Lemoyne Svendsen) who was observed “offstride” before the start. After reviewing video the Stewards unanimously concluded that #3 complied with the breaking rule thus no change.

11/21/15 (8) **Ninth Race Driver Unable to Continue/ Injured**

At the conclusion of the ninth race the Board of Stewards received a call from Driver James Kennedy informing that he was unable to complete his driving commitments due to an injured knee.

This resulted in the following changes:

10th Race #5 “Big Bad Baylee” – Frank Petrelli

11th Race #1 “Perfect Pitch” – James Kennedy

Driver Kennedy will be further evaluated by medical personnel prior to accepting any future driving assignments. More to follow.

11/21/15 (9) **Tenth Race Starters Recall (x2)**

As the field approached the start Starter Ken Fowler flashed the “recall lights” when #7 “Hello Sevens” (Tim Clevenger) broke stride and interfered with #8 “Strong Like Bull” (Craig Fletcher). After the field re-assembled behind the mobile starting gate a second recall was necessitated by an equipment problem (driving bit) on #10 “Codey Shark” (James Lackey). After a repair the field was dispatched without any further problems. The delay was twelve (12) minutes.

11/21/15 (10) **Program Changes**

4th Race Declarations: #1 “Claim Jumper” – Trainer Marissa Tyler

11/22/15 (6)	<u>Attendance and Handle</u>	
	Attendance	138
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$21,429
	Handle (In State)	\$145,777
	<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$410,577</u>
	Total Handle	\$577,783

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

ATTENDANCE REPORT - The full Board of Stewards were 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
21-Nov	4	1	CLAIM JUMPER	TYLER	Injured	Zucco	n/a
21-Nov	4	3	COMMANDERGALLEON N	KENNEDY	Injured	Zucco	n/a
22-Nov	2	4	COMEDIENNE	KENNEDY	Sick	Zucco	\$281.76
22-Nov	9	10	TEAM COUGAR	PLANO	Injured	Zucco	\$131.41
22-Nov	10	9	GEE UP	JARVIS	Sick	Zucco	\$25.77

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	Mon 11/16	Tues 11/17	Wed 11/18	Thurs 11/19	Fri 11/20	Sat 11/21	Sun 11/22	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	D	D	0	0	0	3
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	A	A	0	0	0	0
Claims	R	R	R	R	R	1	0	1	1
Disqualifications	K	K	K	K	K	0	0	0	0
Inquiries	D	D	D	D	D	1	2	3	12
Refunds	A	A	A	A	A	1	3	4	10
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	0	2	11

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

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward