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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, April 18, 2016 through Sunday, April 24, 2016. Steward Jim Arlt was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

04/18/16 (1) **Dark Day**

Tuesday

04/19/16 (1) **Entries for Saturday & Sunday – Saturdays Draw**

The racing office was open for accepting entries for this week's racing programs, April 23rd and 24th.

04/19/16 (2) **Routine Office Duties**

The normal record keeping duties were on today's agenda including horse transfers, trainer changes, Steward's and Vet's list additions and deletions.

04/19/16 (3) **Draw for Saturday, April 23rd**

At the draw for Saturday's twelve (12) race program eighty (80) head were drawn. Scratch time is tomorrow, Wednesday at 9:00AM. Additionally, three (3) California sired three (3) year old pacing fillies were drawn to compete in an early non-betting event with a post time set for 6:00 PM with a purse of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00). California sired three (3) year old pacing colts and geldings were drawn to compete in a five (5) horse field on Saturday's fifth race for a purse of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00).

04/19/16 (4) **Dark Day**

Wednesday

04/20/16 (1)

Scratch Time for Saturday's Race Card

At scratch time for Saturday's card one (1) entrant was scratched injured and there were numerous driver corrections.

04/20/16 (2)

Draw for Sunday, April 24th

At the draw for Sunday's ten (10) race program seventy four (74) head were drawn. Scratch time is tomorrow, Thursday at 9:00AM. California sired three (3) year old trotters were drawn to compete in a six (6) horse field on Sunday's third race for a purse of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00).

04/20/16 (3)

Dark Day**Thursday**

04/21/16 (1)

Scratch Time for Sunday's Race Card

At scratch time for Sunday's card two (2) entrants were scratched injured and there were numerous driver corrections.

04/21/16 (2)

Dark Day**Friday**

04/22/16 (1)

Dark Day**Saturday**

04/23/16 (1)

Qualifying Entries

The race office was open this morning accepting entries for qualifying races to be held this afternoon commencing at 5:30PM. The resultant qualifying sheet showed eight (8) head competing in two (2) qualifying races.

04/23/16 (2)

Driver In [Ref: 04/17/16 (8)]

Driver James Kennedy appeared as requested in order to review his drive in the sixth race on Sunday, April 17th. At issue was a potential violation of the house whipping rule (drivers may not use the whip more than three (3) times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond). Driver James Kennedy stated that he did not believe that he was in violation of the rule as he was flipping the horse's tail upwards and not whipping. The Stewards unanimously disagreed with Driver Kennedy's explanation of his actions. The following ruling was issued:

RULING #57

DRIVER JAMES KENNEDY, WHO DROVE #6 "LINCOLN" IN THE SIXTH RACE ON SUNDAY APRIL 17, 2016 IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED (\$200.00)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF WATCH AND WAGER LLC HOUSE WHIPPING RULE (DRIVERS MAY NOT USE THE WHIP MORE THAN THREE (3) TIMES IN SUCCESSION WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND) AND CHRB RULE #1530 (CASES NOT COVERED). SECOND OFFENSE IN THE LAST SIXTY (60) DAYS.

THIS RULING ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO THE BOARD OF STEWARDS UNDER CHRB RULE #1870 "CONDITIONS OF MEETING BINDING UPON LICENSEES."

- 04/23/16 (3) **Diprinzio License Eligibility**
Investigator Carol Nolan and Ms. Rachel Diprinzio met with the Stewards to discuss Ms. Diprinzio's eligibility to apply for a California Horse Racing Board license due to her failure to appear for a scheduled hearing in front of the Board of Stewards in 1994. Ms. Diprinzio stated she was unaware of the hearing in 1994 because the notice must have been mailed to the wrong address. Investigator Nolan confirmed the address issue. More to follow.
- 04/23/16 (4) **Qualifying Races**
Two (2) qualifying races were held today. Five (5) of eight (8) entrants were successful in their qualifying effort.
- 04/23/16 (5) **Late to Paddock**
Prior to the start of the second race Horse Identifier Carl Sobey advised the Stewards that #5 in the third race "WINONEFORDOUG" was not in the Paddock on time. Paddock Judge Petersen requested the Trainer of record for "WINONEFORDOUG", Richard Bertrand, be fined \$50 for having his horse late to the Paddock. More to follow.
- 04/23/16 (6) **Timer Issues**
At the end of the tenth race the Board of Stewards reviewed the final time displayed on the Tote Board of 1:56 and found it to be in error. The actual final time of the race was 1:59. The actual final time was announced.
- 04/23/16 (7) **Program Changes**
6th Race Declaration #7: "AS HOT AS HALL" – Trainer Liberio Pacheco
Refund:\$23.88 Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM
7th Race Declaration #4: "RAY'S RAYZER" – Trainer Edwin Quevedo
Refund:\$39.52 Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM
12th Race Declaration #8: "CRUISIN FOR YOU" – Trainer Liberio Pacheco
Refund:\$3,580.37 Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM
- 04/23/16 (8) **Attendance and Handle**
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|------------------------|-----------|
| Attendance | 237 |
| Live Handle (On Track) | \$38,487 |
| Handle (In State) | \$293,015 |
| Handle (Out of State) | \$443,992 |
| Total Handle | \$775,494 |

Sunday

- 04/24/16 (1) **Diprinzio License Eligibility [REF: 04/23/16 (3)]**
After reviewing the circumstances of Ms. Diprinzio 1994 ruling with her, and without having any written record as to why the 1994 hearing she failed to appear at was scheduled, the Board of Stewards unanimously issued the following ruling:

RULING #58

RULING #BMTB082 DATED NOVEMBER 23, 1994 IS HEREBY RESCINDED AND MS. **RACHEL L. DIPRINZIO** IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR LICENSURE.

04/24/16 (2) **Late to Paddock Violation [REF: 04/23/16 (5)]**

On this date the Board of Stewards unanimously issued the following ruling in reference to Trainer Bertrand not having “WINONEFORDOUG” in the Paddock at the required time.

RULING #59

TRAINER **RICHARD BERTRAND**, THE TRAINER OF RECORD OF “WINONEFORDOUG” PROGRAMMED TO RACE IN THE THIRD RACE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016, AT WATCH AND WAGER CAL EXPO IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF FIFTY (**\$50.00**)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1894 (DUTIES OF TRAINER – HORSE LATE TO PADDOCK).

04/24/16 (3) **Fourth Race/Inquiry/Disqualification**

At the conclusion of the fourth race the inquiry sign was lit in order to review the actions of original second place finisher #5 “MISTUP MAGIC” (Luke Plano) ‘broke stride’ near the finish line. After reviewing video the Stewards unanimously concluded that #5 “MISTUP MAGIC” had “broke stride” and was lapped on by #4 “COUNTRY JEWEL” (David Siegel) and #6 “FREE GIRL” (James Kennedy) thus #5 “MISTUP MAGIC” (Luke Plano) was disqualified and placed fourth.

Original order of finish: 7-5-4-6-3-2-1
Official order of finish: 7-4-6-5-3-2-1

04/24/16 (4) **Timer Issues;**

At the end of the fifth and sixth race the Board of Stewards reviewed the final times displayed on the Tote Board and found them to be in error. Fifth race actual final time 1:59 and sixth race actual final time 1:58; the actual final times of these races were announced. The Timer computer was rebooted. This reboot appeared to correct this issue as the rest of the night’s race card times were correct. This issue will be monitored by the Board of Stewards.

04/24/16 (5) **Program Changes**

6th Race Declaration #5: “DUET” – Trainer Rick Cisco
Refund:\$222.84 Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM
10th Race Declaration #9: “MOON IS ON FIRE” – Trainer Tim Brown
Refund:\$66.55 Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM

04/24/16 (6) **Attendance and Handle**

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| Attendance | 160 |
| Live Handle (On Track) | \$26,267 |
| Handle (In State) | \$126,479 |
| <u>Handle (Out of State)</u> | <u>\$328,782</u> |
| Total Handle | \$481,528 |

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 |
|--------|------|-----|-----------------|---------|---------|-------|-------------|
| 23-Apr | 6 | 7 | AS HOT AS HALL | PACHECO | Injured | Zucco | \$ 23.88 |
| 23-Apr | 7 | 4 | RAY'S RAYZER | QUEVEDO | Injured | Zucco | \$ 39.52 |
| 23-Apr | 12 | 8 | CRUISIN FOR YOU | PACHECO | Injured | Zucco | \$3,580.637 |
| 24-Apr | 6 | 5 | DUET | CISCO | Injured | Zucco | \$ 222.84 |
| 24-Apr | 10 | 9 | MOON IS ON FIRE | BROWN | Injured | Zucco | \$ 66.55 |

WATCH AND WAGER LLC – CAL EXPO SUMMARY 2016

| | Mon 04/18 | Tues 04/19 | Wed 04/20 | Thurs 04/21 | Fri 04/22 | Sat 04/23 | Sun 04/24 | Total Week | Total Meet |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Accidents | D | D | D | D | D | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Cal-Bred Races | A | A | A | A | A | 2 | 1 | 3 | 22 |
| Claims | R | R | R | R | R | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Disqualifications | K | K | K | K | K | 0 | 1 | 1 | 17 |
| Inquiries | D | D | D | D | D | 0 | 1 | 1 | 33 |
| Refunds | A | A | A | A | A | 3 | 2 | 5 | 91 |
| Rulings | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 1 | 2 | 3 | 59 |

Stewards Attendance: Stewards Arlt, Oke and Sheward were in attendance.

Jim Arlt, Steward

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

Renee Sheward, Steward