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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, January 30, 2017 through Sunday, February 5, 2017. Steward Peter Tommila was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

01/30/17 (1) **Dark Day**

Tuesday

01/31/17 (1) **Dark Day**

01/31/17 (2) **Entries and Draw**

Entries for Friday, February 3rd and Saturday, February 4th closed at 9:00AM.
Two hundred twenty one (221) horses were entered for both days.
The Friday, February 3rd program was drawn with thirteen (13) races.

Wednesday

02/01/17 (1) **Dark Day**

02/01/17 (2) **Scratches and Program Changes**

Scratch time for Friday, February 3rd was at 9:00AM. Several program changes were made.

02/01/17 (3) **Draw**

The program for Saturday, February 4th was drawn with thirteen (13) races.

Thursday

02/02/17 (1) **Dark Day**

02/02/17 (2) **Scratches and Program Changes**

Scratch time for Saturday, February 4th was at 9:00AM. Several programs changes were made.

02/02/17 (3) **Hearing Complaint Case#: 17SW0004**

CHRB Special Investigator Carol Nolan files Complaint 17SW0004 against Trainer Ronald N. Malette for violation of CHRB Rules 1843(a)(d), 1887(a) and 1890 (a). The alleged offense occurred on or about December 26, 2016. The offense is as following:

On January 4, 2013, the CHRB was notified by the UC Davis Laboratories, that the official blood sample #CE26683, taken from the horse “Inexperssiblebeauty”, which ran in the 11th race and did not finish on December 26, 2016 at the Cal Expo Race Track in Sacramento, CA., contained Cobalt (53ng/ml) in excess of the allowable amount of 25ng/ml). This drug is a class 3 drug, penalty class B.

On January 6, 2017, the prescription drug “Thyro-L” prescribed by Dr. Andrew Roberts, DVM an unlicensed CHRB Veterinarian was in Trainer Malette’s possession.

Trainer Malette was not represented by counsel. The proceedings were transcribed by Juli Price Jackson CST 5214, jpjacksoncsr@gmail.com, (530) 409-4047. CHRB Legal Counsel Philip Laird presented the case. The hearing was heard at 1010 Hurley Way, Suite 300. After completion of all testimony the case was closed. Our proposed decision will be submitted to the Board.

Friday02/03/17 (1) **Driver Hearing**

Tony Succarotte appeared as directed to review his drive of #8 “Gold Start Spike” in the eighth race on January 28th [Ref: 01/28/17 (2)]. After reviewing the video coverage of his drive a warning was issued.

02/03/17 (2) **Driver Hearing**

Craig Fletcher appeared as directed to review his drive of #3 “Strong Like Bull” in the eighth race on January 28th [Ref: 01/28/17 (4)]. After reviewing the video coverage of his drive a fine of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars was issued.

RULING #07

DRIVER CRAIG FLETCHER, WHO DROVE “STRONG LIKE BULL” IN THE EIGHTH RACE ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2017 IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00)* 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 IN THE STRETCH – RESULTING IN A DISQUALIFICATION.

02/03/17 (3) **Driver Hearing**

Steve Wiseman appeared as directed to review his drive of #2 “Cantoria” in the fourth race on January 28th [Ref: 01/28/17 (3)]. After reviewing the video coverage of his drive a fine will be issued. More to follow.

02/03/17 (4) **California Sires Stake Race**

One (1) California Sires Stake race for four year old trotters was programmed for 5:30PM.

02/03/17 (5) **Photo Finish**

The photo finish picture that is required to be sent out to the public remains a problem. The photos on tonight's program were not televised.

02/03/17 (6) **Program Changes**

Tonight's racing program contained thirteen (13) races. Track condition was listed 'sloppy' with a two (2) second allowance.

4th Race Declaration: #2 "JK Journey" – Trainer Mike Jarvis

Refund:\$66.34

Track Condition – Stewards

7th Race Declaration: #8 "Endeavors King – Trainer Gene Vallandingham

Refund:\$14,868.98

Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM

11th Race Declaration: #4 "Official Connection" – Trainer Bob Johnson

Refund:\$38.15

Track Condition – Stewards

02/03/17 (7) **Third Race – Inquiry - Disqualification**

The inquiry sign was posted at the conclusion of the race to review an incident that occurred at the finish. #6 "Shark Festival", driven by Lemoyne Svendsen, unofficially finished second and appeared to be off her pacing gait and lapped on. After viewing the video replay and photo finished print he was disqualified and placed fourth. The drive was held blameless.

02/03/17 (8) **Seventh Race – Horse "Dry Ice"**

Post time for the seventh race was at 8:23PM. The eight horse field left the paddock at approximately 8:17PM. #1 "Dry Ice" (Trainer Kathleen Pledsted) fell at approximately the 3/8 pole after the post parade. CHRB Veterinarian Eduardo De La Cruz advised us that the horse was deceased. "Dry Ice" was scratched and removed by the horse ambulance. Seventh race was off at 8:49PM. More to follow.

02/03/17 (9) **Eighth Race – Inquiry - Disqualification**

The inquiry sign was posted at the conclusion of the eighth race to review an incident that occurred mid-stretch. At the point #6 "Sounion" (Mark Kennedy) who unofficially finished third appeared to drift in and impede other horses. The video replay clearly shows the horse changing course and impede #3 "Rockingaroundheaven" (James Lackey) , #4 "Sweet One" (James Kennedy) and #7 "Itsgoodtobeking" (Steve Wiseman). "Sounion" who finished third was disqualified and placed seventh. Mark Kennedy was directed to appear in our office on Saturday, February 4th to review his drive.

02/03/17 (10) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	170
Live Handle (On Track)	\$41,869
Handle (In State)	\$399,066
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$503,625</u>
Total Handle	\$944,560

Saturday**02/04/17 (1) Hearing Complaint 17SW0003**

CHRB Special Investigator Duane Tadlock filed Complaint #17SW0003 against Trainer Edwin Quevedo for alleged violation of CHRB Rules 1843.1(b), 1844(c)(1) and 1887 on or about December 26, 2016. The offense as follows:

The official blood sample #C266880 taken on December 26,2016 at Cal Expo was reported by Scott Stanley, PhD of UC Davis Laboratories to contain Phenylbutazone (2.48ng/mL). This sample was obtained from the horse QUEENOFHOT which ran in the 13th race at Cal Expo finishing 1st. The trainer of record is Edwin QUEVEO. This sample #CE26680 is considered to be prohibited drug substance, Class4, Penalty Class D.

Trainer Quevedo appeared and was not represented by counsel. His spouse attended to assist with interpretations. The proceeding were recorded by Wendy Fraiser (916) 956-3914 and Associates (CSR). Investigator Tadlock presented the case. After completion of all testimony the hearing was closed. A decision will follow.

02/04/17 (2) Driver Mark Kennedy Hearing

Mark Kennedy appeared as directed to review his drive in the eighth race on February 3rd [Ref: 02/03/17 (10)]. After viewing the video and discussion about the incident a decision was made. A fine will be issued for two hundred (\$200.00) dollars. More to follow.

02/04/17 (3) Track Condition

The track condition for tonight's qualifying races, sire stake and first four (4) races was rated 'good' with no time allowance. Races five (5) through thirteen (13) were fast.

02/04/17 (4) Qualifying Races

Two (2) qualifying races were programmed with a 5:00PM first post. Seven (7) of the nine (9) horses entered met the qualifying standards.

02/04/17 (5) Photo Finish

The photo finish picture that is required to be sent out to the public remains a problem. The association is working on resolving the situation. The photos on tonight's program were not televised.

02/04/17 (6) Programs Changes

5th Race Driver Change #8 "Attack Modes Billy" – Driver Change

From Paul Welence to Sean SmithPeters

7th Race Declaration: #1 "Commandergalleon N" – Trainer Gretchen Smith

Refund:166.67

Lames – Stewards

8th Race Declaration: #1 "Muscle Beach" – Trainer Bob Johnson

Refund:\$43.69

Track Condition – Stewards

11th Race Driver Change: #9 "Lincoln" – Driver Change

From David Siegel to Mark Kennedy

12th Race Declaration: #5 "Poorlittlerichgirl" – Trainer Salvador Wenceslao

Refund:\$133.62

Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM

13th Race Declarations:#2 “Yeswellnomaybe” – Trainer Luke Plano
 Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM
 #9 “Dragging Dragon” – Trainer Edwin Quevedo
 Total Refunds:\$193.26 Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM

- 02/04/17 (7) **California Sires Stake Non-Betting – Inquiry - Disqualification**
 The inquiry sign was posted at the conclusion of the race to review a possible incident in the stretch. Luke Plano, while driving #3 “Little Emma” appeared to change course. The change of course impeded the progress of #1 “Plain Awesome” (James Lackey) and #4 “Be My Lucy Lady” (Steve Wiseman) “Little Emma” finished last in the four (4) horse field.
- 02/04/17 (8) **Sixth Race – Inquiry - No Disqualification**
 The inquiry sign was posted at the conclusion of the sixth race while we reviewed an incident before the start. #4 “Blue Spark” (Steve Wiseman) appeared to break her trotting gait. Driver Wiseman complied with the breaking rule. “Blue Spark” finished second and was not disqualified.
- 02/04/17 (9) **Twelfth Race – Claim**
 #1 “Window Wiper” was claimed for seventy two hundred (\$7,200.00) dollars by David Siegel and Robin Clements of Wilton, CA.
- 02/04/17 (10) **Attendance and Handle**
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| Attendance | 178 |
| Live Handle (On Track) | \$53,074 |
| Handle (In State) | \$437,355 |
| Handle (Out of State) | \$540,659 |
| Total Handle | \$1,031,088 |

Sunday

02/05/17 (1) **Dark Day**

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
3-Feb	4	2 JK JOURNEY	JARVIS	Track Condition	Stewards	\$ 66.34
3-Feb	7	8 ENDEAVORS KING	VALLANDINGHAM	Injured	Bohannon	\$14,868.98
3-Feb	11	4 OFFICIAL CONNECTION	JOHNSON	Track Condition	Stewards	\$ 38.15
4-Feb	7	1 COMMANDERGALLEON N	SMITH	Lame	Stewards	\$ 166.67
4-Feb	8	1 MUSCLE BEACH	JOHNSON	Track Condition	Stewards	\$ 43.69
4-Feb	12	5 POORLITTLERICHGIRL	WENCESLAO	Injured	Bohannon	\$ 133.62
4-Feb	13	2 YESWELLNOMAYBE	PLANO	Injured	Bohannon	\$ 193.26
4-Feb	13	9 DRAGGING DRAGON	QUEVEDO	Injured	Bohannon	

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SUMMARY

2017

	Mon 01/30	Tues 01/31	Wed 02/01	Thurs 02/02	Fri 02/03	Sat 02/04	Sun 02/05	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	D	0	0	D	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	A	0	0	A	0	1
Claims	R	R	R	R	0	1	R	1	3
Disqualifications	K	K	K	K	2	0	K	2	5
Inquiries	D	D	D	D	2	2	D	4	12
Refunds	A	A	A	A	3	4	A	7	40
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	Y	0	2	Y	2	7

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

Peter Tommila, Steward

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

Renee Sheward, Steward