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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, February 6, 2017 through Sunday, February 12, 2017. Steward Wayne Oke was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

**Monday**

02/06/17 (1) **Dark Day**

**Tuesday**

02/07/17 (1) **Entry Day**

The race office was open this morning accepting entries for cards to be raced Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>.

02/07/17 (2) **Weekly Paperwork**

As usual horses "on" and "off" the "Vet's list" and "Steward" list along with stable transfers and sales were processed as is usual on Tuesday.

02/07/17 (3) **Draw for Friday's Program**

A draw was conducted for Friday's card with one hundred seven (107) head drawn to compete in thirteen (13) pari-mutuel events. Additionally, two (2) horses were drawn to compete in an early non-wagering California Sire Stake event for three (3) year old trotters competing for a sixty five hundred (\$6,500.00) dollar purse. Ironically both horses are stable mates owned by the same partnership. Scratch time is tomorrow, Wednesday at 9:00AM.

02/07/17 (4) **Dark Day**

**Wednesday**

02/08/17 (1) **Scratch and Draw Day**

At scratch time for Friday's card there were numerous driver corrections, two (2) Stewards scratches (horses were not eligible) a fact that was over looked

by the race office, and an “also eligible” horse draw into race #8 due to an “injured” scratch.

02/08/17 (2) **Draw for Saturday’s Card**

At the draw for Saturday’s card ninety nine (99) head were drawn to compete in thirteen (13) pari-mutuel events. Additionally, an early non-wagering event for four (4) year old California Sired pacing fillies actually for three (3) year olds, was scheduled for a 5:25PM post time with three (3) fillies scheduled to compete for a sixty five hundred (\$6,500.00) dollar purse. At 5:40PM three (3) California sired pacing colts and geldings are scheduled to compete for a similar sixty five hundred (\$6,500.00) dollar purse. Scratch time is tomorrow, Thursday at 9:00AM.

02/08/18 (3) **Ownership/Partnership Issue Resolved**

A partnership dispute between Owner Amber L. Carter and Owner Cindy A. Watts was finally resolved when Ms. Watts agreed to purchase Ms. Carter’s interest in the trotting mare “Bank of Lodi.” The paperwork was completed and the parties sent on their respective ways.

02/08/17 (4) **Dark Day**

**Thursday**

02/09/17 (1) **Scratch Time for Saturday’s Card**

At scratch time for Sunday’s card there were numerous driver changes and one (1) injured scratch.

02/09/17 (2) **Dark Day**

**Friday**

02/10/17 (1) **Qualifying Entries**

The race office was open this morning accepting entries for qualifiers to be conducted at 5:00PM this evening. The resultant qualifying sheet showed five (5) horses participating in one (1) qualifying race.

02/10/17 (2) **Trainer In**

Trainer Edwin Quevedo appeared as requested in order to be made aware of the Board of Stewards decision relative to CHRB Complaint #17SW0003. After a brief meeting Trainer Quevedo accepted the Stewards decision without comment and the following ruling was issued.

**RULING #09**

TRAINER EDWIN QUEVEDO WHO RACED THE HORSE “QUEENOFHOT” IN THE THIRTEENTH RACE ON DECEMBER 26, 2016 FINISHING FIRST. SUBSEQUENTLY, “QUEENOFHOT WAS POST RACE TESTED ACCORDING TO CHRB PROTOCOLS RESULTING IN TEST #CE26680. SAID SAMPLE WAS SUBMITTED TO THE MADDY LABORATORY AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS THE OFFICIAL TESTING LABORATORY FOR THE CHRB, FOR TESTING.

THE TEST RESULTS FROM SAMPLE #CE26680 SHOWED THE PRESENCE OF PHENYLBUTAZONE AT A LEVEL OF 2.48 UG/ML IN EXCESS OF THE

ALLOWABLE THRESHOLD OF 2.0 UG/ML. AS RESULT OF THIS TEST FINDING AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843.3 (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES PERMITTED AFTER ENTRY IN A RACE) & #1844 (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION). TRAINER EDWIN QUEVEDO HAVING ONE (1) VIOLATION OF THIS RULE IN THE PAST THREE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE (365) DAYS AND HAVING MET WITH THE STATE VETERNARIAN DR. EDUARDO DE LA CRUZ IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF **TWO HUNDRED FIFTY (\$250.00) DOLLARS** FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1844 (i) AUTHORIZED MEDICATIONS. IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT THIS VIOLATION OCCURRED PRIOR TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REVISED RULES (JANUARY 1, 2017). THIS VIOLATION WAS ADJUDICATED UNDER THE RULES IN EFFECT IN THE YEAR OF 2016.

02/10/17 (3) **Qualifying Rule**

One (1) qualifying race was conducted today with four (4) of five (5) participants successful in their qualifying effort.

02/10/17 (4) **First Race/ Inquiry/ Disqualification**

The inquiry sign was lit in order to review an incident which occurred as the field approached the  $\frac{3}{8}$  mile marker. #4 "Plain Awesome" (James Lackey) (fifth) broke stride and interfered with #5 "Big Bad Puddycat" (James Kennedy) (sixth). As a result #4 was disqualified and placed sixth for interference while on a break. Driver Lackey was held blameless in the incident.

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

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

02/10/17 (5) **Eighth Race/ Inquiry/ Disqualification**

The inquiry sign was lit in order to investigate an incident in deep stretch when #5 "Agrestores Comet" (Sean SmithPeters) was observed to be "off stride" at the finish. After reviewing video the Stewards unanimously concluded that #3 was "off stride" at the finish and "lapped on" by #1 "Silverhill Volo" (James Lackey) and #7 "Delta Breezeoflodi" (Luke Plano) who finished in a dead heat for fourth. As a result #5 was disqualified and placed fifth and the dead heated horses were placed third. Driver Sean SmithPeters was ordered to film review in order to address a possible violation of the "whipping rule." More to follow.

Original order of finish: 8-10-~~5~~-DH1-7- 6-2-4-3-9

Official order of finish: 8-10-DH1-7 -~~5~~-6-2-4-3-9

02/10/17 (6) **Program Changes**

1<sup>st</sup> Race Declaration: #3 "Slick Fall" – Trainer Tim Brown

Refund:\$55.07

Sick – Lauri Bohannon DVM

3<sup>rd</sup> Race Declaration: #6 "Outlawsecretweapon" – Trainer Andrew Arsenault

Refund:\$3,134.03

Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM

10<sup>th</sup> Race Declarations: #8 "Wantchamacallum" – Trainer Kennedy Lindsey

Lame – Lauri Bohannon DVM

#10 “To The Limit” – Trainer Tim Brown  
 Total Refunds:\$4,761.28                      Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM  
 13<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration: #3 “Real Attitude” – Trainer Salvador Wencelslao  
 Refund:\$226.38                                      Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM

02/10/17 (7)	<b><u>Attendance and Handle</u></b>	
	Attendance	158
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$36,593
	Handle (In State)	\$286,857
	<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$506,945</u>
	Total Handle	\$830,395

**Saturday**

02/11/17 (1) **Driver In [Ref: 02/10/17 (5)]**

Provisional Driver Sean SmithPeters appeared as requested in order to review his drive in last evening’s eighth race aboard #5 “Agrestores Comet” in which he was observed to be in violation of the “whipping rule.” Driver SmithPeters was making his fourth visit to the Stewards office for violation of this rule. The Stewards were of the unanimous opinion that fines were not obtaining the desired results. The Stewards issued the following ruling. Provisional Driver SmithPeters was very subdued in his acceptance of the decision.

**RULING # 11**

DRIVER SEAN SMITHPETERS, WHO DROVE #5 “AGRESTORES COMET” IN THE EIGHTH RACE ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2017 IS HEREBY SUSPENDED FOR TWO (2) DAYS (**DRIVING ONLY**) (**FEBRUARY 17, 2017 – FEBRUARY 18, 2017**) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD WHIPPING RULE #1734 (b) WHIPPING SHALL BE RESTRICTED TO ELBOW AND WRIST ACTION ONLY, AND THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS REGARDING THE USE OF THE WHIP ARE PROHIBITED: (1) RAISING THE ELBOW ABOVE THE DRIVERS SHOULDER HEIGHT. (2) ALLOWING THE HAND HOLDING THE WHIP TO REACH BEHIND THE DRIVER DURING THE USE OF THE WHIP. (3) USE OF THE WHIP OTHER THAN ON THE AREA INSIDE AND ABOVE THE LEVEL OF THE SHAFTS OF THE SULKY AND BETWEEN THE SULKY SHAFTS. (4) WHIPPING UNDER THE ARCH OF THE SHAFTS OF THE SULKY. FOURTH OFFENSE IN THE LAST SIXTY (60) DAYS.

02/11/17 (2) **Fourth Race/ Recall**

Starter Kenny Fowler ordered a recall when #7 “Juntique” (James Lackey) refused the gate. A second attempt went off with no problems and #7 finished second.

02/11/17 (3) **Seventh Race/ Inquiry/ Disqualification**

The inquiry sign was lit at the conclusion of seventh race in order to review the actions of #6 “JK Journey” (Mike Jarvis) (third) who was observed inside two (2) pylons at the head of the stretch. After reviewing video the Stewards unanimously concluded that #7 was in violation of the “pylon rule.” Thus #7 was disqualified and placed fourth. The Stewards felt the horse was “bearing in” badly and Driver Jarvis was held blameless in the incident.

Original order of finish: 9-7-~~6~~-2-3-8-10-1-4-5

Official order of finish: 9-7-2-~~6~~-3-8-10-1-4-5

02/11/17 (4) **Eighth Race/ Claim**

The winner of eighth race #Soul Diva” (Tony Succarotte) was claimed by Owner Jack Olsen going to Trainer Robin Clements. The claim was finalized after being approved by State Veterinarian Dr. Eduardo De La Cruz.

02/11/17 (5) **Coyote on Race Track**

Immediately prior to the tenth race, a coyote appeared on the track and passed in very close proximity to the horses. This is the second incident in the last month. In the first incident this critter ran into the midst of the field of horses. We had asked Safety Steward McCarthy to facilitate the relocation or removal of this animal before we suffer serious consequences.

02/11/17 (6) **Program Changes**

6<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration: #3 “Hare To Eternity” – Trainer Kathleen Plested

Refund:\$131.58

Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM

02/11/17 (7) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	192
Live Handle (On Track)	\$37,583
Handle (In State)	\$313,713
Handle (Out of State)	\$500,397
<u>Total Handle</u>	<u>\$851,693</u>

**Sunday**

02/12/17 (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**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race No.</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Vet</u>	<u>Refund</u>
10-Feb	1	3	SLICK FALL	BROWN	Sick	Bohannon \$ 55.07
10-Feb	3	6	OUTLAWSECRETWEAPON	ARSENAULT	Injured	Bohannon \$3,134.03
10-Feb	10	8	WHATCHAMACALLUM	LINDSEY	Lame	Bohannon \$4,761.28
10-Feb	10	10	TO THE LIMIT	BROWN	Injured	Bohannon
10-Feb	13	3	REAL ATTITUDE	WENCESLAO	Injured	Bohannon \$ 226.38
11-Feb	6	3	HARE TO ETERNITY	PLESTED	Injured	Bohannon \$ 131.58

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## SUMMARY

2017

	Mon 02/06	Tues 02/07	Wed 02/08	Thurs 02/09	Fri 02/10	Sat 02/11	Sun 02/12	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	D	0	0	D	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	A	2	2	A	4	5
Claims	R	R	R	R	0	1	R	1	4
Disqualifications	K	K	K	K	2	1	K	3	8
Inquiries	D	D	D	D	2	1	D	3	15
Refunds	A	A	A	A	4	1	A	5	45
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	2	Y	4	11

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

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Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

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Renee Sheward, Steward

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Peter Tommila, Steward