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## WATCH AND WAGER LLC – CAL EXPO

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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday February 13, 2017 through Sunday, February 19, 2017. Steward Renee Sheward was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

### Monday

02/13/17 (1) **Dark Day**

### Tuesday

02/14/17 (1) **Entry and Draw**

The race office was open this morning accepting entries for Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. At the draw for Fridays card there were ninety five (95) head drawn to face Starter Ken Fowler.

02/14/17 (2) **Dark Day**

### Wednesday

02/15/17 (1) **Draw for Saturday**

The race office was open today and drew the races for Saturdays card, there were ninety seven (97) head drawn. There were numerous driver corrections, two (2) injured scratches.

02/15/17 (2) **Dark Day**

### Thursday

02/16/17 (1) **Dark Day**

### Friday

02/17/17 (1) **Hearing Complaint Case # 17SW0001**

CHRB Special Investigator Duane Tadlock files complaint # 17SW0001 against Timothy Wolff. On December 31, 2016 Wolff was ordered to leave the simulcast building by Cal Expo Police Sgt. J. Mifsud, because it was not

open to the public. On January 1, 2017 Sgt. Mifsud had to order Wolff to go outside again. Wolff was difficult and irate.

Timothy Wolff was not represented by council. The proceeding was transcribed by Wendy Frazier, Wendy Frazier Reporting (916) 956-3914 the hearing was held at the Stewards office at Cal Expo. After completion of all testimony the case was closed. More to follow.

02/17/17 (2) **Off Track**

Tonight's card was contested over a track rated "sloppy." A situation created by day long showers. A time differential of two (2) seconds was allowed and noted for the complete card.

02/17/17 (3) **First Race/ Driver to Film Review**

Driver Mike Jarvis was summoned to film review in order to review his drive in the first race. At issue was a potential violation of the CHRB "whipping rule." More to follow.

02/17/17 (4) **Second Race/ No Change**

The inquiry sign was posted in order to review the actions of eventual second place finisher #5 "Musician" (Steve Wiseman) for possible violation of the breaking rule before the start. After reviewing video the Stewards unanimously concluded #5 complied. Thus no change.

02/17/17 (5) **Remainder of the Program Cancelled**

Friday's first six races were contested under extremely adverse conditions, with wind gusts in excess of 55 MPH. At the conclusion of race six the Stewards were contacted by telephone by the driver's committee (Wiseman, Plano, Siegel and Kennedy). (They advised that the drivers did not wish to continue as they considered conditions to be "unsafe.")

After consulting with CHRB Safety Steward Tom McCarthy along with Paddock Judge Walter Petersen and General Manager Chris Schick the decision was made to cancel the remainder of the program. A suggestion to delay the races in order to allow the weather to clear was decided against, due to the fact that conditions in the paddock (it is a canvas structure a very susceptible to winds and is very noisy) were of immediate concern.

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

4<sup>th</sup> Race Declarations: #2 "Be My Lucky Lady" – Trainer Kathleen Pleded  
Track Condition – Stewards  
#6 "Really Big Star" – Trainer Luke Plano  
Total Refunds:\$280.55 Track Condition – Stewards  
9<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration: #9 "Mint To Cruise" – Trainer Luke Plano  
Refund:\$2,555.21 Track Condition – Stewards  
12<sup>th</sup> Race Declarations: #4 "Real Attitude" – Trainer Salvador Wenceslao  
Track Condition – Stewards  
#5 "As Hot As Hall" – Trainer Liberio Pacheco  
Track Condition – Stewards  
#7 "Dinneratartsplace" – Trainer Luke Plano  
Total Refunds:\$1,241.72 Track Condition – Stewards

02/17/17 (7)	<b><u>Attendance and Handle</u></b>	
	Attendance	140
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$23,942
	Handle (In State)	\$202,710
	<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$155,784</u>
	Total Handle	\$382,436

**Saturday**02/18/17 (1) **Qualifying Races**

Two (2) qualifying races were programmed for 5:15PM. Nine (9) horses were programmed and three (3) were approved to enter for pari-mutuel races.

02/18/17 (2) **Track Condition**

Track condition for races one (1) through seven (7) were rated 'good' with a two (2) second allowance. Races eight (8) through twelve (12) were rated fast.

02/18/17 (3) **Tower Camera Inoperative**

The tower camera located at the three (3) quarter pole was inoperative due to a broken door that occurred during last night's storm. The other three (3) required cameras were functional and in compliance with CHRB Rule 1442.

02/18/17 (4) **Seventh Race/ Inquiry/ Disqualification**

The inquiry sign was posted at the conclusion of race seven (7) while we reviewed an incident in the stretch involving a horse off stride mid-stretch #8 "Agrestores Comet" driven by Luke Plano appeared to break its trotting gait and unofficially finished second. After review of the video replays it was determined that Luke Plano did not lose sufficient ground while driving. #8 "Agrestores Comet" who finished second was disqualified and placed sixth for violation of the breaking rule.

02/18/17 (5) **Ninth Race/ Late Scratch**

After the post parade for the ninth race #8 "Game of Dreamers" (Luke Plano) was scratched by Track Veterinarian Lauri Bohannon "tied up" injured.

02/18/17 (6) **Program Changes**

3 <sup>rd</sup> Race Declaration: #2 "Ten Yard Penalty" – Trainer Craig Fletcher	
Refund:\$20.36	Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM
4 <sup>th</sup> Race Declaration: #3 "Gran Gabriez" – Trainer Gene Vallandingham	
Refund:\$199.19	Sick – Lauri Bohannon DVM
9 <sup>th</sup> Race Declaration: #8 "Game of Dreamers" – Trainer Luke Plano	
Refund: n/a	Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM
10 <sup>th</sup> Race Declaration: #2 "Tornado Henry" – Trainer Kathleen Plested	
Refund:\$92.82	Injured – Lauri Bohannon DVM

02/18/17 (7) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	160
Live Handle (On Track)	\$40,289
Handle (In State)	\$298,008
<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$447,682</u>
Total Handle	\$785,979

Sunday02/19/17 (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</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Vet</u>	<u>Refund</u>
17-Feb	4	2	BE MY LUCKY LADY	PLESTED	Track Condition	Stewards	\$ 280.55
17-Feb	4	6	REALLY BIG STAR	PLANO	Track Condition	Stewards	
17-Feb	9	9	MINT TO CRUISE	PLANO	Track Condition	Stewards	\$2,555.21
17-Feb	12	4	REAL ATTITUDE	WENCESLAO	Track Condition	Stewards	
17-Feb	12	5	AS HOT AS HALL	PACHECO	Track Condition	Stewards	\$1,241.72
17-Feb	12	7	DINNERATARTSPPLACE	PLANO	Track Condition	Stewards	
18-Feb	3	2	TEN YARD PENALTY	FLETCHER	Injured	Bohannon	\$ 20.36
18-Feb	4	3	GRAN GABRIEZ	VALLANDINGHAM	Sick	Bohannon	\$ 199.19
18-Feb	9	8	GAME OF DREAMERS	VALLANDINGHAM	Injured	Bohannon	N/A
18-Feb	10	2	TORNADO HENRY	PLESTED	Injured	Bohannon	\$ 92.82

**WATCH AND WAGER LLC – CAL EXPO  
SUMMARY 2017**

	<b>Mon 02/13</b>	<b>Tues 02/14</b>	<b>Wed 02/15</b>	<b>Thurs 02/16</b>	<b>Fri 02/17</b>	<b>Sat 02/18</b>	<b>Sun 02/19</b>	<b>Total Week</b>	<b>Total Meet</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Claims</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Disqualifications</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Inquiries</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Refunds</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>Rulings</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>

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

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**Renee Sheward, Steward**

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**Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward**

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**Peter Tommila, Steward**