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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, March 19, 2018 through Sunday, March 25, 2018. Steward Jim Arlt was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

03/19/18 (1) **Dark Day**

Tuesday

03/20/18 (1) **Entry Day**

The race office was open today accepting entries for Friday, March 23rd and Saturday, March 24th race cards. One hundred ninety (190) horses were entered with one hundred eighty two (182) drawing in. There are twelve (12) races each day with post time starting at 6:10PM.

03/20/18 (2) **Dark Day**

Wednesday

03/21/18 (1) **Changes**

The Stewards' office was open to take changes for Friday, March 23rd with several driver changes and one (1) scratch.

03/21/18 (2) **Dark Day**

Thursday

03/22/18 (1) **Changes**

The Stewards' office was open to take changes for Saturday, March 24th with several driver changes and no scratches.

03/22/18 (2) **Hearing**

A hearing was conducted in the Cal Expo Stewards office regarding California Horse Racing Board Complaint # 18SW0012, a Cocaine positive

urine test conducted for the mandatory yearly Driver's Physical CHRB Rule #1498 of Licensee George W. Luster. Investigator Tadlock, Licensee Luster, Veterinarian Schloeder, Court Reporter Wendy Frazier and all Stewards were present. More to follow.

03/22/18 (3) **Dark Day**

Friday

03/23/18 (1) **Ruling Ref: 03/17/18 (5)**

RULING # 26

DRIVER **JAMES KENNEDY**, WHO DROVE #4 **"I'M AN ATHLETE"** IN THE FOURTH RACE ON SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2018 IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1734 (d) (WHIPPING – DRIVERS MAY NOT USE THE WHIP MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND.) FIRST OFFENSE IN LAST SIXTY (60) DAYS.

03/23/18 (2) **Qualifying Race Entries**

Entries were taken this morning for the qualifiers originally scheduled for today. This qualifier was postponed until tomorrow night because of possible inclement weather.

03/23/18 (3) **Race Day**

Twelve (12) races were contested tonight over a track rated as "fast" with a schedule post time of 6:15PM. Friday's race card had an additional two non-wagering California Sire Stakes races scheduled but they were postponed until Saturday because of possible inclement weather.

03/23/18 (4) **Inquiry**

The Inquiry sign was posted for the second race concerning the first place finisher #4 "JK JOURNEY" driven by Steve Wiseman and the second place finisher #5 "MANLEY STANLEY" driven by Rene Goulet for possible violations of the breaking rule. After film review the Stewards unanimously agreed there was no violation of the breaking rule by either participant.

03/23/18 (5) **Timer Issues**

Prior to tonight's races the Stewards and Placing Judge inquired to see if the timer malfunction at the ¾ pole had been fixed during the last week. We were advised that no one had attempted to fix this issue. This issue created a need to manually review the video of each race to attempt to ascertain the accurate ¾ time in the race. After discussions with General Manager Chris Schick this issue was fixed in time for the Tenth Race. Stewards were advised the issue was a broken wire.

03/23/18 (6) **Program Changes**

11th Race Declaration:#3 "BLUE NOTE"—Trainer Rick Cisco

Refund:\$38.66

Injured – Lane Schloeder DVM

03/23/18 (7)	<u>Attendance and Handle</u>	
	Attendance	246
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$47,666
	Handle (In State)	\$245,559
	<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$498,676</u>
	Total Handle	\$791,901

Saturday03/24/18 (1) **Race Day**

Twelve (12) races were contested tonight over a track rated "fast" with a 6:18PM scheduled post time. Additionally, two (2) non-wagering California Sire Stakes races were scheduled. One is for California sired three (3) year old pacing Colts and Geldings with one (1) entrant drawn to compete for a purse of six thousand five hundred (\$6,500.00) dollars with a post time set for 5:30PM. The other non-wagering race is for California sired three (3) year old Trotters with two (2) entrants drawn to compete for a purse of six thousand five hundred (\$6,500.00) dollars and post time set for 5:45PM. An additional California Sire Stakes was conducted as part of tonight's race card. This was for three (3) year old Pacing Fillies with five (5) entrants drawn to compete for a purse of six thousand five hundred (\$6,500.00) dollars.

03/24/18 (2) **Ruling Ref: 03/22/18 (2)**

AS A RESULT OF A HEARING CONDUCTED ON MARCH 22, 2018 IN THE STEWARDS' OFFICE REGARDING CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD COMPLAINT #18SW0012, THE BOARD OF STEWARDS ISSUED THE FOLLOWING RULING:

RULING # 27

LICENSEE GEORGE W. LUSTER IS SUSPENDED FOR FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS (MARCH 30, 2018 THROUGH AND INCLUDING MAY 13, 2018) AND PLACED ON PROBATION FOR THE TERM OF HIS LICENSE FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1489 (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE) (ENGAGED IN THE USE OF ILLEGAL OR PROHIBITED DRUGS) AND #1900 (GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION). ADDITIONALLY, LICENSEE GEORGE W. LUSTER IS REQUIRED TO CONTINUE THE CURRENT TESTING AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD.

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF GEORGE W. LUSTER ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE) SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION. LICENSEE GEORGE W. LUSTER WILL VACATE ALL STALLS AND ALL HORSES AND THE EQUIPMENT

NECESSARY TO THE CARE AND TRAINING OF SAID HORSES TO BE REMOVED FROM THE ENCLOSURE NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT MARCH 29, 2018.

ADDITIONALLY, THE RACING PRIVILEGES OF ALL HORSES OWNED OR TRAINED BY MR. LUSTER ARE HEREBY SUSPENDED AND THESE

HORSES MAY BE SOLD OR TRANSFERRED ONLY WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

03/24/18 (3) **Review of Ruling with Licensee Luster**

The Stewards called George W. Luster to the Cal Expo Stewards office and informed him of the 45 day suspension from March 30th through and including May 13th, 2018. Mr. Luster was also advised of his right to appeal this Ruling.

03/24/18 (4) **Qualifying Race**

One (1) qualifying race was conducted at 5:15PM on a track rated as "fast." Two (2) of three (3) horses that raced were successful in meeting the qualifying standards.

03/24/18 (5) **Program Changes**

5th Race Declaration:#5 "WALKER MEISTER" – Trainer George Reider
 Refund:\$98.89 Injured – Lane Schloeder DVM
 12th Race Declaration:#5 Driver Change to James Lackey

03/24/18 (6) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	174
Live Handle (On Track)	\$32,401
Handle (In State)	\$314,582
<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$451,606</u>
Total Handle	\$798,589

Sunday

03/25/18 (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. Horse</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Vet</u>	<u>Refund</u>
23-Mar	11	3 BLUE NOTE	CISCO	Injured	Schloeder	\$ 38.66
24-Mar	5	5 WALKER MEISETER	REIDER	Injured	Schloeder	\$ 98.89

**WATCH AND WAGER LLC – CAL EXPO
SUMMARY
2018**

	Mon 03/19	Tues 03/20	Wed 03/21	Thurs 03/22	Fri 03/23	Sat 03/24	Sun 03/25	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	D	0	0	D	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	A	0	0	A	0	0
Claims	R	R	R	R	0	0	R	0	8
Disqualifications	K	K	K	K	0	0	K	0	10
Inquiries	D	D	D	D	1	0	D	1	33
Refunds	A	A	A	A	1	1	A	2	44
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	Y	1	1	Y	2	27

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

Jim Arlt, Steward

Rod Newhart, Steward

Renee Sheward, Steward