

**California Horse Racing Board**

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**  
**Watch And Wager, LLC**  
Cal Expo, Sacramento, California  
**TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**Report for the Week of Tuesday, February 18, 2020 Through Sunday, February 23, 2020.**

**TUESDAY**2/18/20<sup>1</sup>**Dark Day Duties**

Renee Sheward was attending steward.

2/18/20<sup>2</sup>**Entries / Draw**

The race office was open this morning accepting entries for Friday, February 21, 2020 and Saturday, February 22, 2020. There was one Hundred seventy-five (175) horses entered with one hundred sixty (160) horses are scheduled to start.

**WEDNESDAY**2/19/20<sup>1</sup>**Scratch Day**

The judge's office was open this morning accepting scratches and changes for Friday, February 21, 2020. Ten (10) races are programmed with a post time of 6:40 PM.

**THURSDAY**2/20/20<sup>1</sup>**Scratch Day**

The judge's office was open this morning taking scratches and Driver changes for Saturday, February 22, 2020. Numerous driver changes with no scratches. Eleven (11) races are scheduled to start with a post time of 6:10 PM.

**Friday**2/21/20<sup>1</sup>**Qualifying Entries**

Entries were taken this morning for the qualifiers to be held prior to the Regularly scheduled races. One (1) qualifying race was held at 6:15 PM on a track rated as fast. Four (4) of the five (5) horses that raced were successful in meeting the Qualifying standards.

2/21/20<sup>2</sup>**Track Condition**

The track condition for tonight's qualifying races, and pari-mutuel card was rated "fast".

2/21/20<sup>3</sup>

**California Sire Stakes Race**

First race is a California Sire stake race with four (4) California bred Three (3) year old pacing colts and geldings going for a purse of Seven thousand (\$7,000.00) dollars.

2/21/20<sup>4</sup>

**California Sire Stakes Race**

Fifth race is a California Sired stake race with five (5) California Bred.

2/21/20<sup>5</sup>

**Third Race/ Film Review**

At the conclusion of the 3rd race the stewards contacted driver James Kennedy, and Jacob Fox by telephone and requested them to Attend film review tomorrow, (Saturday). At issue is a potential violation Of the CHRB whipping rule. After film review stewards decided to give an official warning.

2/21/20<sup>6</sup>

**Race Seven**

After the official sign was posted licensee Emilio Cisneros was informed, he was being fined Fifty (\$50.00) \* dollars for failure to be properly dressed while warming up on the main track.

**Ruling #18**

Licensee EMILIO CISNEROS, who warmed up horse #7 LA DIVA DE ROSA, for race #7 on Friday, February 21, 2020 is hereby fined the sum of fifty (\$50.00) \* dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases not covered). Failed to be properly dressed.

2/21/20<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	150	\$30,078.10
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$317,318.20
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$395,353.90
Total	150	\$742,750.20

**Saturday**

2/22/20<sup>1</sup>

**Hearing Complaint 19SW0028**

CHRB Special Investigator Hunter Bartholomew filed complaint #19SW0028 against trainer JACOB FOX for alleged violation of CHRB Rules 1843a), (b), 1843.1(a), 1887(a), 1843.5. The offense as follows:

The official blood sample #19SW0028 taken on December 6, 2019 at Cal Expo was reported by Ben Moeller, PHD of U.C. Davis laboratories Contained 5.8 ng/ml of Flunixin. The samples were obtained from the Horse WILDCAT BOBBY which ran in the 9th race at Cal Expo finishing 3rd. The trainer of record was JACOB FOX (CHRB trainer's license #400727) No split sample was requested. The flunixin is a class 4, Penalty C violation.

Trainer Fox appeared and was not represented by counsel. Investigator Bartholomew presented the case. After completion of all testimony the hearing was closed.

**Ruling #19**

Trainer JACOB FOX , who raced horse WILDCAT BOBBY, in the 9<sup>th</sup> Race at Cal Expo finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> , on December 6, 2019, and waiving his rights to a split sample and formal hearing is hereby fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00)\* dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a) (b) (d) Medication, Drugs and other substances, #1843.1 (a) Prohibited drug substances, #1887 (a) Trainer to ensure condition of horse. Sample #CE 29268 was reported to contain flunixin at a level of 5.8 ng/ml.

2/22/1/20<sup>2</sup>

**Track Condition**

The track condition was rated “fast” for eleven (11) pari mutual races being conducted at 6:10 PM. We had a clean, competitive card with no notable occurrences conducted over a very impressive track surface.

2/22/20<sup>3</sup>

**Scratches**

Race 6, horse #6 PECAN- scratched-Trainer Amber Carter- injured- DR. EDUARDO DEL LA CRUZ. Refund: \$52.37.

Race 8, horse #3 PRODIGAL- scratched- Trainer Gordon Graham-sick-DR. EDUARDO DEL LA CRUZ. Refund: \$111.16.

2/22/20<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	220	\$34,420.60
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$326,643.80
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$378,167.57
Total	220	\$739,231.97

	Wed 2/19	Thurs 2/20	Fri 2/21	Sat 2/22	Sun 2/23	Week	Meet
Accidents	D	D	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	0	0	0	0	0
Claims	R	R	0	0	0	0	7
Disqualification	K	K	0	0	0	0	1
Inquiries	D	D	0	0	0	0	5
Refunds	A	A	0	2	0	2	38
Rulings	Y	Y	0	0	0	0	7
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES**

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
FEB-22	6	6	PECAN	AMBER CARTER	INJURED	EDUARDO DE LA CRUZ	\$52.37
FEB-22	8	3	PRODIGAL	GORDON GRAHAM	SICK	EDUARDO DE LA CRUZ	\$111.16

Respectfully submitted,

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Renee Sheward, Steward

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Rod Newhart, Steward

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Rich Williams, Steward

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Tom McCarthy, Safety Steward

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