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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
 DEL MAR THOROUGHBRED CLUB**

**To the California Horse Racing Board**

Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr. Governor  
 Honorable David Israel, Chairman  
 Honorable Chuck Winner, Vice-Chairman  
 Honorable Steve Beneto, Member  
 Honorable Jesse H. Choper, Member  
 Honorable Bo Derek, Member  
 Honorable George Krikorian, Member  
 Honorable Richard A. Rosenberg, Member  
 Jacqueline Wagner, Assistant Executive Director

**WEEK 6-Sunday, Aug 18, 2013-Saturday, Aug 24, 2013**

**SUNDAY**

08/18/13<sup>1</sup>

**A. M. DECLARATIONS**

1 <sup>st</sup> race	#4 Upward Spiral (Vet-sick) Refund of \$3,964.28
5 <sup>th</sup> race	#12 Stoney Fleece (Also eligible) Refund of \$1,135.44
7 <sup>th</sup> race	#4 On the Right Side (Vet-sick) #5 Bold Decision (Vet-sick) Refund of \$3,252.16
8 <sup>th</sup> race	#7 Warren's Flasher (Stakes) Refund of \$1,658.88
9 <sup>th</sup> race	#12 Oh Daddy Oh (Also eligible) #13 Charisma Code (Also eligible) Refund of \$1,621.80
10 <sup>th</sup> race	#11 Navarre (Also eligible) #12 Money Machine (Also eligible) #13 Corinthian's Song (Also eligible) Refund of \$2,068.34

08/18/13<sup>2</sup>

**TRAINER RESPONDS**

Trainer Jorge Periban was in the office this morning in response to a complaint filed against him for an overage of Phenylbutazone found in his horse "Queen Of The Hill" following a workout on July 10, 2013, to be taken off of the Veterinarian's List. The complaint stated that 7.3ug/ml of the drug was found in the post-race blood sample. Mr. Periban testified

that the horse came down with a 102 degree fever on July 6<sup>th</sup>. He gave the horse three Bute pills on that date and two pills the following day in order to reduce the temperature. He meant to call off the work, but forgot to notify the veterinarian. A ruling will be issued.

#### Ruling DMTD #042

Trainer **JORGE PERIBAN**, who worked the horse “Queen of the Hill” at Santa Anita Park on July 10, 2013, for removal from the Veterinarian’s List, is fined **FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\*** pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rules #1866 (Veterinarian’s List) and #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse), for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1844(c)(1) (Authorized Medication-Phenylbutazone in excess of permitted level-7.3 ug/ml).

08/18/13<sup>3</sup>

#### **VIDEO REVIEW**

Jockeys Edwin Maldonado, Julien Leparoux, and Joseph Talamo were in the office this morning to review a rather complicated incident from the stretch run of the fifth race on Saturday. (Ref. 8-17-13<sup>5</sup>) There was a four horse spread near mid-stretch, and minor lateral movement from both inside and outside forced a rider to take back from tight quarters. All were warned to be more alert in order to maintain a safe environment on the track.

08/18/13<sup>4</sup>

#### **STOP THIEF!!!**

A once in a lifetime story was omitted from the minutes of 8-17-13. Shortly after the second race was “official”, Racing Veterinarian Dana Stead, as is his normal routine, parked his chase vehicle near the gap at the finish and walked to his duties in the saddling paddock. Unfortunately, as is also his normal routine, he left the ignition key in the steering column. Just after the doctor left the vehicle, the Stewards noticed someone who was dressed remarkably similar to Dr. Stead come from out of the crowd, jump both fences (falling down both times) and scramble into the van. He took off at a high rate of speed up the track, finally stopping in the ¼ chute. Security was alerted. He abandoned the van and scaled a twelve-foot chain link fence in an attempt to elude authorities. His plan didn’t work as, after falling to the ground, the miscreant was taken into custody. He was hauled off to the Crossbar Hilton, better known as jail, where he was charged with vehicle theft and, obviously, being under the influence of alcohol.

Rumor has it that Del Mar management is considering a change in its theme song to “Take A Plane, Take A Train, Take A Van”.  
Only in Del Mar.

08/18/13<sup>5</sup>

#### **TWO CLAIMS VOIDED**

A claim deposited in the second race by Cody Autrey for the horse Royal Meridian was voided as the horse was off in the left foreleg during its time in the Receiving Barn. Official Veterinarian Tim Grande called after the

sixth race to inform us that #8 Gnarly Dude, which had been claimed by trainer Kristen Mulhall, was lame in the right hind leg. Both horses were returned to their original barns.

08/18/13<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	17,564	2,985,085
Off Track	8,613	2,767,495
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	N/A	N/A
Out –of-State	N/A	6,377,376
Total	26,177	12,129,956

**WEDNESDAY**

08/21/13<sup>1</sup>

**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

The following scratches were limited to also eligible horses unless otherwise noted.

1<sup>st</sup> race #8 Sleep Tight  
#9 Raucous Lady  
#10 Madoffwiththemoney  
Refund of \$2,160.26

4<sup>th</sup> race #12 Key Decision  
#13 Joe Karl  
Refund of \$1,655.70

5<sup>th</sup> race #12 Steppingood  
#13 Sailors Brother  
#14 Astutely  
Refund of \$856.30

6<sup>th</sup> race #13 Passing Game  
Refund of \$576.00

8<sup>th</sup> race #13 Rich in Tradition  
#14 Precious Best  
Refund of \$690.30

08/21/13<sup>2</sup>

**MALDONADO IN**

Jockey Edwin Maldonado was in the office this morning in response to his failure to make the assigned weight in the sixth and ninth races on Sunday. He originally reported that he would do 120 lbs, but the best he could do was 121 lbs. He said he thought he could “pull” four pounds however he was only able to shed three pounds. Ruling to follow.

Ruling DMTD #043

Jockey **Edwin Maldonado** is fined **FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)\*** for failure to make his assigned weight in the sixth and ninth race at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on August 18, 2013. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1682 (Weighing Out-4<sup>rd</sup> offense).

08/21/13<sup>3</sup>

**REFUND**

A refund was ordered in the second race as #3 No Rachmones failed to warm up to the satisfaction of Racing Veterinarian Stead and was declared on his recommendation. The refund came to a total of \$65,458.40.

08/21/13<sup>4</sup>

**STEWARDS' INQUIRY and DISQUALIFICATION**

The inquiry sign was posted following the fourth race as the Stewards reviewed an incident at mid-stretch involving the first and fourth place finishers, #4 Trelawny (I. Orosco) and #3 Sebastian Flyte (V. Espinoza). After speaking with the riders involved, taking into account reports from the Patrol Judges and reviewing video of the stretch run the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify Trelawny from first to fourth position. Video review showed the horse drifting in at mid-stretch, taking the path of Sebastian Flyte and forcing Espinoza to check his mount for four to five strides. Sebastian Flyte closed strongly after being bothered and was beaten only a "head" for third place. Jockey Orozco will review video tomorrow morning.

08/21/13<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	11,521	1,831,785
Off Track	4,707	1,306,106
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	N/A	N/A
Out -of-State	N/A	4,098,150
Total	16,228	7,236,041

**THURSDAY**

08/22/13<sup>1</sup>

**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> race #7 Affrettando (Vet-sick)  
Refund of \$2,595.80
- 4<sup>th</sup> race #7 Hobbits Hero (Vet-sick)  
Refund of \$368.55
- 7<sup>th</sup> race #5 Boat Trip (Vet-sick)  
Refund of \$4,091.40
- 8<sup>th</sup> race #10 Yvons Dixie Melody (Vet-injured) See 8-22-13<sup>5</sup>

08/22/13<sup>2</sup>

**RULING**

DMTD ruling #044

Jockey **IRVING OROZCO** who rode "Trelawny" in the fourth race at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on August 21, 2013, is suspended for **THREE RACING DAYS (3) (August 28, 29, and 30, 2013)** for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch, causing interference which resulted in the disqualification of his mount from first to fourth position. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules-Careless Riding).

The term of this suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races).

This ruling was issued after the apprentice, along with his agent, Mike Ciani, viewed the stretch run of the fourth race from Wednesday, in which his mount was disqualified for interference (Ref. 8-21-13<sup>4</sup>). Mr. Orozco did not mount much of a defense, saying only that he did not realize Victor Espinoza was racing to his inside.

08/22/13<sup>3</sup>

**RULINGS**

DMTD ruling #045

Jockey **Patrick Valenzuela** is fined **TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\*** for failure to make his assigned weight in the sixth, seventh and eighth races at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on August 21, 2013. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1682 (Weighing Out- 2<sup>nd</sup> offense).

DMTD ruling #046

Jockey **SAL GONZALEZ** is fined **ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100)\*** for failure to make his assigned weight in the seventh race at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on August 21, 2013. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1682 (Weighing Out).

These ruling were issued after discussions with the riders regarding their failure to make assigned weight on the Wednesday card.

08/22/13<sup>4</sup>

**RIDER EXCUSED**

Jockey Patrick Valenzuela was excused during the racing program as he was suffering from a breathing problem and the track physician recommended that he not ride. A replacement rider was named.

08/22/13<sup>5</sup>

**REFUND**

A refund was ordered in the eighth race as #8 Ivana Come Home unseated jockey Gonzalo Nicolas and ran off for nearly a mile before be captured by the outrider. The refund amounted to \$20,518.20.

08/22/13<sup>6</sup>

**CLAIM VOIDED**

The Stewards received notification from Official Veterinarian Tim Grande that the horse Full's Figurehead, claimed out of the fourth race by trainer Eric Kruljack, was lame in the right foreleg during observation in the Receiving Barn. According to rule, the claim was voided and the horse was returned to the barn of Kristen Mulhall.

08/22/13<sup>7</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	10,152	1,940,014
Off Track	5,082	1,340,188
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	N/A	N/A
Out –of-State	N/A	3,857,803
Total	15,234	7,138,005

**FRIDAY**08/23/13<sup>1</sup>**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

2<sup>nd</sup> race #12 The Tom Squad (Also eligible)  
#13 Astutely (Also eligible)  
Refund of \$517.45

6<sup>th</sup> race #2 Midnight Music (In foal-too far along)  
Refund of \$2,777.50

7<sup>th</sup> race #13 Tiz Futurity (Also eligible)  
Refund of \$570.50

08/23/13<sup>2</sup>**CLAIM VOIDED**

A claim deposited by trainer Mike Pender in the first race for #1 One Firm Cat was declared void as the horse, which finished first, was lame in the right foreleg during its time in the Receiving Barn. The two trainers involved were informed that the claim would not be valid.

08/23/13<sup>3</sup>**ROUTINE RACING**

All matters during the course of the racing program were routine.

08/23/13<sup>4</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	16,008	2,061,876
Off Track	5,674	1,642,483
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	N/A	N/A
Out –of-State	N/A	4,087,947
Total	21,682	7,792,306

**SATURDAY**08/24/13<sup>1</sup>**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

2<sup>nd</sup> race #14 Saint Leo (Also eligible)  
Refund of \$1,090.20

3<sup>rd</sup> race #1 Black N Beauty (Vet-sick)  
Refund of \$1,763.05

5<sup>th</sup> race #11 This One's for Mel (Also eligible)  
See 8-24-13<sup>5</sup>

7<sup>th</sup> race #5 Goldilocks Planet (Vet-injured)  
Refund of \$780.55

8<sup>th</sup> race #2 Holding Glory (Stakes)  
Refund of \$2,865.35

10<sup>th</sup> race #14 Hope 'n Pray (Also eligible)  
See 8-24-13<sup>6</sup>

08/24/13<sup>2</sup>

**EXERCISE RIDER IN**

Leobaldo Rivera, who works as an exercise rider for trainer Vann Belvoir, was in the office this morning in response to a security report, which indicated that after an afternoon soccer game and an evening of imbibing, he drove his automobile on to the racetrack, where he was apprehended by security.

The young man was very apologetic, stating that he rarely drinks alcohol, had consumed too much beer, and does not remember much of the evening. He was fortunate in one aspect, as he informed the officers that he planned to drive to Los Angeles had they not stopped him.

Rivera, who has been licensed since 2005 with no rulings on his record, will be fined and made to sign a testing agreement with the Board. The ruling will be issued next week.

08/24/13<sup>3</sup>

**RANDOM DRUG TESTING (#1500.1)**

After receiving approval from Assistant Executive Director Jacqueline Wagner, the Board's investigators drew the names of nine riders randomly from those listed to ride this afternoon. Jockeys Guild Western Regional Director Darrell Haire witnessed the selection process conducted by Supervising Investigator Rick Amieva.

08/24/13<sup>4</sup>

**CLAIM VOIDED**

A claim deposited by trainer Doug O'Neill in the first race for #2 Legal Separation, the second place finisher, was voided as the horse was off in the right foreleg during its time in the Receiving Barn. The horse was returned to the barn of John Sadler.

08/24/13<sup>5</sup>

**AFTERNOON DECLARATION**

Shortly after the third race was run the Stewards received notification from Safety Steward Luis Jauregui that when he was pulling up in front of the Receiving Barn he noticed an individual from the Doug O'Neill barn, which is situated across from the Receiving Barn, enter the stall of a horse with a detention sign on the door and administer a product into its mouth. He confronted the person, who turned out to be the foreman, and confiscated the tube, which had the brand name CB2A and contained amino acids, which are illegal to give on race day. The horse turned out to be Cinco de Mario, which was scheduled to run in the fifth race. Mr. O'Neill was informed of the situation and told that the horse would have to be scratched.

The refund amounted to \$10,674.70

08/24/13<sup>6</sup>

**STARTING GATE MALFUNCTION-  
RACE DECLARED NO CONTEST**

A racing rarity occurred in the tenth race this afternoon as a starting gate malfunction forced the Stewards to cancel the final event. Starting the ill-fated chain of events was #6 Indian Spirit, who went in the air then broke through the stall doors. This prompted all but one of the other stalls to open simultaneously (the stall of the #1 horse stayed shut). Seven of the

assistant starters held on to their horses and they did not leave the gate, while three horses got away from their handlers and galloped a short way down the track. The inquiry sign was immediately posted and announcements were made to hold all tickets. After discussing the situation and contacting pari-mutuel manager William Navarro, the decision was made to call off the race pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1544, which states that if a mechanical malfunction occurs which affects the majority of the horses, the Stewards may declare the race no contest.

Announcements were made to the public as to which wagers were going to be refunded and how multiple race wagers would be paid out. The total amount of the refund came to \$1,002,713.40.

08/24/13<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	18,387	3,486,841
Off Track	9,121	3,037,743
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	N/A	N/A
Out –of-State	N/A	6,735,657
Total	27,508	13,260,241

**WEEKLY SUMMARY**

**ATTENDANCE REPORT** – Except as noted, the full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

**VETERINARIAN REPORT** – WEEK 08/12/13 TO 08/18/13

Horses on Vet List 58  
Horses off Vet List 14  
Shock Wave Therapy 30  
Deceased 1  
Medication 11

**SUMMARY**

	Sun 08/04	Wed 08/07	Thurs 08/08	Fri 08/09	Sat 08/10	Week	Meet
Inquiries	0	1	0	0	1	2	18
Disqualifications	0	1	0	0	0	1	6
Rulings	1	1	3	0	0	5	46
Refunds	6	6	4	3	6	25	144
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Claims	6	12	8	7	5	38	194
Cal-Bred Races	2	2	1	0	1	6	43
Voided Claims	2	0	1	1	1	5	21

Respectfully submitted,

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Tom Ward, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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C. Scott Chaney, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward