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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

DEL MAR THOROUGHBRED CLUB

To the California Horse Racing Board

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WEEK 2 - Sunday, July 19, 2015 through Saturday, July 25, 2015.

SUNDAY

7/19/15¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

2nd race -	#12 Filly On Fire (Also eligible)	
	#13 Warren's Cracker (Also Eligible)	Refund of \$479.28
5 th race	#13 Unusual Taste (Also eligible)	
	#14 Hawkedon (Also eligible)	see 7/19/15 ⁵
6 th race	#11 Gone to Bali (Also eligible)	see 7/19/15 ⁵
7 th race	#1 Yiannis (Vet-injured)	see 7/19/15
8 th race	#3 Moyo Honey (Stakes)	see 7/19.15 ⁵
9 th race	#13 Omdurman (Also eligible)	see 7/19/15 ⁵

7/19/15²

RIDER EXCUSED

Jockey Eswan Flores was excused from his mount due to illness. He was examined by the track physician and diagnosed as having tonsillitis. Replacement riders were named.

7/19/15³

RULINGS

Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1688(b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond – first offense), during the eighth race at Del Mar Race Track on July 18, 2015.

Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1688 (Use of Riding Crop – caused a break in the skin) during the sixth race at Santa Anita Park on June 21, 2015.

These rulings were issued after the rider met with us regarding the two violations. He offered no excuse for the first violation (crop), and while he expressed remorse for injuring his mount with his whip, he said he would pay more attention to whip use in the future.

7/19/15⁴

RULING

Jockey FELIPE VALDEZ is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1688(b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond –third offense), during the third race at Del Mar Race Track on July 18, 2015.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Valdez had viewed the start of the third race from 7/18, during which he committed his third crop violation in three weeks. He admitted the violation, but stated he did so as he wanted his horse close to the lead due to the fact that his goggles had fogged up and he could not see. We did not accept his excuse.

7/19/15⁵

RAIN RETURNS BUT NO LIGHTNING

Steady rain returned to this venue early in the card, rendering the track “sloppy” for the fourth race. As expected, there were numerous scratches due to track condition and the fact that races five and ten were transferred to the main track.

5 th race	#1 Somethings Unusual	
	#3 Royal Banker	
	#8 Perfectly Majestic	
	#11 Son of War	Refund of \$56,620.02
6 th race	#9 Tanager	Refund of \$5,399.92
7 th race	#2 Guns Loaded	Refund of \$18,636.82
8 th race	#4 Pammy Whammy	Refund of \$6,575.76
9 th race	#4 Cowtownmary	Refund of \$7,194.94
10 th race	#3 Nakamoto	
	#9 Box Score	
	#11 Tirpitz	Refund of \$25,953.82

7/19/15⁶

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

7/19/15⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	14,925	\$1,594,034.70
Off Track	7,643	\$4,277,911.30
Out –of-State	N/A	\$6,937,784.27
Total	22,568	\$12,809,730.27

WEDNESDAY

7/22/15¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

4 th race	#12 Among the Angels (Vet-injured)	Refund of \$1,165.76
5 th race	#14 Tiz Pleasant (Also eligible)	refund of \$68.00
7 th race	#7 Play Hard to Get (Stewards – worked this A.M.)	Refund of \$9,755.77
8 th race	#14 Queen Khalessi (Also eligible)	see 7/22/15 ⁵

7/22/15²

RULING

Owner JUDITH PARTRIDGE, having failed to comply with ruling LATL #21 issued on July 12, 2015 at Los Alamitos Race Track, is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board #1876 (Financial responsibility – trainer Kathy Walsh \$53,346.00).

During the term of Suspension, all licenses and license privileges of JUDITH PARTRIDGE are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), JUDITH PARTRIDGE is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

This ruling was issued after information was received that Ms. Partridge failed to pay trainer Kathy Walsh as ordered in a ruling issued at Los Alamitos.

7/22/15³

RULING

Trainer J. ERIC KRULJAC, pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration) is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1698 (Failure to Start and Run – workout morning of race) which resulted in the late declaration of PLAY HARD TO GET from the seventh race at Del Mar Race Track on July 22, 2015.

The preceding ruling was issued after Mr. Kruljac admitted his error in working a horse scheduled to race today. He was candid, stating that he thought he could scratch out of the eleven horse field without a reason. Unfortunately, he waited until after scratch time to submit the scratch request and while the race was a “stakes” race, it was an “overnight stakes” and therefore was subject to overnight race scratch rules. He said he deserved the penalty as he should have known the rule.

7/22/15⁴

OUTRIDER APPEARS

Outrider Rudy Marquez was in the office this morning in response to a complaint filed against him for using a piece of red twine as part of the equipment on his pony. He was charged with violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing) Investigator Rick Ameiva presented photographs of the horse's muzzle with red twine tied to the bottom part of the hackamore, purportedly taken during the post parade for the ninth race by fellow out rider Pam Caviness. The prosecution also introduced a video of the post parade and warm up period for the ninth race and there was something red near the horse's muzzle.

Mr. Marquez testified that the was contacted by Racing Veterinarian Dana Stead and told that while the contraption in use was not injurious to the horse, it did not look proper and he should remove it. He said that he complied with the request and did so for the rest of the afternoon. When asked about the video showing something red near the muzzle, he said that he did leave a small piece of the twine attached to the metal bar at the bottom of the hackamore but that it was not in contact with the horse's mouth. Dr. Stead testified that he examined the location of the twine and found no limitation of blood flow. He also testified that Mr. Marquez immediately complied with his request to remove the twine.

We will take the matter under submission and render a decision shortly.

7/22/15⁵

REFUND

A refund was ordered in the eighth race as #1 Dixie Tweet flipped at the barn of trainer Mark Glatt while being prepped to leave for the Receiving Barn and suffered broken withers. The refund amounted to \$28,111.79

7/22/15⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	11,311	\$1,240,474.70
Off Track	3,486	\$1,620,044.30
Out –of-State	N/A	\$4,927,875.51
Total	14,797	\$7,788,394.51

THURSDAY

7/23/15¹

A.M. DECLARATION

5th race #13 Express Checkout (Also eligible) Refund of \$499.42

7/23/15²

RULINGS

Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond – first offense), during the first race at Del Mar Race Track on July 22, 2015.

Jockey MIKE SMITH is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond –second offense), during the third race at Del Mar Race Track on July 22, 2015.

These rulings were issued after both riders admitted their mistake and accepted the penalties.

7/23/15³

REFUND

Two horses were scratched at the starting gate prior to the fourth race. The first scratch took place when #7 Prince Valiant broke through the stall doors, unseated the rider and ran off. The elusive colt proved extremely difficult to corral and was loose for approximately ten minutes. The second declaration occurred as #8 Cass in Stone became unruly during the reload, injured itself and was declared after examination by Racing Veterinarian Stead. The entire debacle resulted in delay of fifteen minutes, prompting the crowd to let out a loud cheer when field was finally dispatched. The two scratches resulted in a refund of \$169,131.59.

7/23/15⁴

CLAIM VOIDED

The claim of the horse Twelve Folds from the second race by trainer Carlos Lopez was voided as the horse was “off” during its time in the Receiving Barn. The horse was returned to the barn of its previous trainer, Art Sherman.

7/23/15⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	8,966	\$1,269,664.10
Off Track	4,491	\$2,125,414.00
Out –of-State	0	\$5,945,740.12
Total	13,457	\$9,340,818.22

FRIDAY

7/24/15¹

A. M. DECLARATIONS

1st race #6 Fashioned Gem (Stewards – medicated) see 7/24/15⁴
3rd race #11 Dinner at Tranni's (Also eligible) refund if \$561.30
4th race #11 Friendswith K Mill (Also eligible)
#12 Bobby Z Man (Also eligible)
#13 Anythingscookin (Also eligible) refund of \$2,215.70
5th race #5 Win Quietly (Vet-sick) refund of \$1867.18
6th race #6 Pont Piper (Stakes)
#7 Solid Wager (Stakes) refund of \$11,617.66
7th race #3 Bench Light (Vet-injured) refund of \$1,670.38
8th race #9 Ms. Errmine Lady (Vet-sick) refund of \$148.96

7/24/15²

RULING

Trainer MARK GLATT is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty For Late Declaration – horse improperly medicated) necessitating a late declaration in the first race on July 24, 2015 at Del Mar Race Track.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Glatt accepted responsibility for his horse Fashioned Gem, scheduled to participate in the first race this afternoon, being improperly treated with Acepromazine this morning.

7/24/15³

RULING

Jockey TYLER BAZE is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1688(b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond – first offense), during the third race at Del Mar Race Track on July 23, 2015.

The preceding ruling was issued after Mr. Baze had viewed the third race from yesterday afternoon. He maintained that while it did appear that he was striking his mount, in reality he was “flagging” it. By majority decision – Ward dissenting – the rider was penalized.

7/24/15⁴

REFUND

A refund was ordered in the first race as #1 Rush of Day flipped in the saddling paddock, ran up the tunnel to the track, and proceeded to take a two turn gallop around the track before being captured. Fortunately, there were no injuries, with human or equine. The refund amounted to \$35,405.31

7/24/15⁵

LATE OVERWEIGHT ANNOUNCEMENT

Jockey Brayan Pena, who had originally declared two pounds overweight, was found to be four pounds above his listed weight when he stepped on the scale to be weighed out for the third race. An announcement was made to the public. He will meet with us tomorrow.

7/24/15⁶

CLAIM VOIDED

A claim deposited prior to the fourth race by trainer Peter Miller for #4 Tribal Tribute was voided as the horse, which finished first in the race, was lame in the right foreleg during its stay in the test barn. The horse was returned to the barn of trainer Mike Puype.

7/24/15⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	15,375	\$1,838,233.20
Off Track	5,495	\$2,906,810.90
Out –of-State	N/A	\$7,011,609.10
Total	20,870	\$11,756,653.20

SATURDAY

7/25/15¹

A. M. DECLARATIONS

6th race #6 Prime Attraction (Vet-dick) refund of \$1,810.68
 7th race #2 Best Efforts (Vet-injured) refund of \$448.50
 8th race #1 Nowalking (Stakes) refund of \$1,135.20
 10th race #13 Girl Downstairs (Also eligible)
 #14 Entebbe (Also eligible) refund of \$1,679.62

7/25/15²

RIDER EXCUSED

Apprentice jockey Brayan Pena was excused from his mounts due to illness. Replacement riders were named.

7/25/15³

RULING

Jockey Agent Saul Marquez, pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations), is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS*(\$200.00) for failure to handle his business in a proper manner-did not honor first call.

This ruling was issued as Mr. Marquez admitted that he “spun” trainer David Bernstein by not honoring a call given to Mr. Bernstein.

7/25/15⁴

RULING

Trainer PETER MILLER is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers – backtracking in contradiction of track safety rules).

The foregoing ruling was issued as Mr. Miller could not offer an acceptable excuse for the backtracking in front of the starting gate set in the three quarter chute during training hours.

7/25/15⁵

RULING

Farrier AGUSTIN MUNOZ is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility - \$4800.00 – LATC Race Meeting Trust).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of AGUSTIN MONOZ are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), AGUSTIN MUNOZ is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The preceding ruling was issued as Mr. Munoz failed to honor a financial agreement signed with Los Angeles Turf Club.

7/25/15⁶

MARQUEZ DECISION

After debating the merits of the complaint filed by the California Horse Racing Board against outrider Rudy Marquez, it is the decision of this Board of Stewards that the complaint be dismissed in its entirety. We do not feel that Mr. Marquez' actions rose to the level of conduct detrimental to horse racing, the violation noted in the original complaint. To the contrary, we are of the opinion that Mr. Marquez did nothing wrong.

7/25/15⁷

MEDICATION HEARING

Trainer John Brocklebank appeared for a formal hearing into the results of the post race sample obtained from his horse Dubdubwatson, the first place finisher in the second race at Santa Anita Park on May 22, 2015. The test was found to contain the Class IV drug "Isoflupredone", a corticosteroid, at a level exceeding the permitted level. During a search of Mr. Brocklebank's medication cabinet, a brown bottle containing an unknown liquid was confiscated. There was no prescription label on the bottle, only the name of Dr. Rick Pelphry, a Kentucky veterinarian. The bottle was sent to the Maddy Laboratory in Davis where the liquid was tested and found to contain the drug found in the test sample.

Mr. Brocklebank was somewhat surprised at the results, stating he had treated his horses with the same medication in 2014 and the horses tested came back clean. (It should be noted that the Board has "ramped up" the testing procedures on corticosteroids so this could account for the disparity between this year and 2014). The trainer said he did not realize what the liquid contained as he used it as a throat wash on all of his horses. We will issue a ruling tomorrow.

7/25/15⁸

BROCKLEBANK SECURITY HEARING

Trainer John Brocklebank also was in the office to address a complaint filed by the Board, alleging a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct). The incident which prompted the complaint stemmed from the fact that his wife, Tarilynne Brocklebank, was stopped by the gap gateman and asked for her license. She became upset that the gateman did not recognize her and contacted her husband. He came to the gap a short time later and berated the gap attendant for harassing his wife. He admitted that he used profanity during his tirade and apologized shortly after the incident. He felt that it was a misunderstanding on both sides. decision will be rendered shortly.

7/25/15⁹

CLAIMS VOIDED

Two claims were voided during the course of the racing program. A claim from the second race by trainer Jeff Mullins for #10 Fit to Rule was voided as the horse broke down during the race suffering fractured sesamoids in the right foreleg. The horse did not go back to trainer Gary Stute's barn as it was euthanized after examination by the trainer's attending veterinarian.

The second voided claim took place after the fourth race as the claim deposited by trainer Rafael Becerra for #8 Fight Thru was nullified as the horse was off in the right foreleg during its time under observation in the test barn.

7/25/15¹⁰

ACCIDENT/ INQUIRY/ NO CHANGE

The inquiry sign was posted after the seventh race to review the circumstances which resulted in jockey Drayden VanDyke, aboard #9 Sweet as a Rose, to be unseated from his mount. After Speaking with Starter John Lopez and reviewing video of the start, the Stewards unanimously voted to make no change to the original order of finish. Review showed the horse stumbling sharply in the second stride, tossing the rider over her head and onto the turf. Mr. Van Dyke was examined by the track physician and cleared to ride.

7/25/15¹¹

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	30,049	\$3,260,302.60
Off Track	8,047	\$4,482,852.10
Out -of-State	N/A	\$8,525,969.62
Total	38,096	\$16,269,124.32

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 7-13-15 TO 7-18-15

Horses on Vet List 7 Horses off Vet List 10 Shock Wave Therapy 16

SUMMARY

	Sun 7/19	Wed 7/22	Thurs 7/23	Fri 7/24	Sat 7/25	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Cal-Bred Races	1	2	1	2	2	8	12
Claims	8	4	8	8	5	33	67
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Refunds	7	4	2	7	4	24	48
Rulings	4	2	2	2	3	13	21
Voided Claims	0	0	1	1	2	4	

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ward, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward