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WEEK 3 – Tuesday, July 26, 2016 through Sunday, July 31, 2016.

TUESDAY
7/26/16¹

TUESDAY SCRATCH DAY

Scratches and changes for Wednesday, July 27 were made today in the backside racing office. Steward Grant Baker was present and worked with Clerk of Scales Charles McCaul who handled scratch board duties. One (1) scratch card and one (1) jockey change were submitted. Both changes were activated after the 10 am deadline.

WEDNESDAY
07/27/16¹

RITO ALMANZA FILM REVIEW

Jockey Rito Almanza appeared in the stewards' office in order to review his ride aboard #9 Alex Rossi (ARG) who finished second in the seventh race on Sunday, July 24. Also present for this film review were Jockey Agent Michael Burns, Jockey Rafael Bejerano and CHRB Safety Steward Luis Jauregui.

The stewards' wanted to review the actions of several horses going into the first turn of this one (1) mile main track event. Race replay's show #9 Alex Rossi (ARG) vying for the early lead from his outside post by slightly shaving sixth place finisher #6 Indygo Holiday (Tyler Baze) and fourth place finisher #7 Deep Consideration (Fernando Perez). Fifth place finisher #3 It Behoooves Me (Martin Pedroza) played into this first turn confusion also by bearing out in this races' early stages and adding pressure to the aforementioned rival's. The majority in this race review felt Jockey Almanza should have allowed greater clearance and voted to issue a warning in this matter. Steward Sawyer agreed about the clearance issue but dissented voting for a three (3) day suspension.

07/27/16²

SMOOTH CARD

Today's eight (8) race card went well as it was free of stewards' inquiries and /or jockey objections.

07/27/16³

MESSAGE BOARD/TOTE ERROR

Safety Steward Luis Jauregui informed the stewards' of an error that was posted on the infield message board and west end tote board. The message board listed the following:
#12 HE'S A KNOCKOUT—SCRATCHED. (This horse was not scratched.)

It had a hyphen mark (-) listed as the post time odds on the west side tote board. This horse went on to a third place finish. The tote department and Del Mar Mutuel manager Bill Navarro were informed of the problem.

07/27/16⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race #1 Toomanytomatoes (Tr. A. Kitchingman) claimed by M.Pender
#4 Ipray (Tr.H. Palma) claimed by T. McCanna
#5 Kristnite (Tr. B. Spawr) claimed by P. Aguirre
#6 Wahine Warrior (Tr. T. McCanna) claimed by M. Machowsky
Refund \$168.00

2nd Race #3 Pacific Song (Tr. P. Oviedo) claimed by M.McCarthy
Refund \$663.00

8th Race #4 Candy Cowboy (Tr. J.Mullins) claimed by C. Hartman
#9 Ring Collector (Tr. P. Eurton) claimed by R.B. Hess Jr.
Refund \$10.30

07/27/16⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	9,166	\$1,050,218.60
Off Track	3,449	\$1,650,544.20
Out -of-State	N/A	\$4,442,717.92
Total	12,615	\$7,143,480.72

THURSDAY

07/28/16¹

TYLER BAZE FILM REVIEW

Jockey Tyler Baze appeared in the stewards' office in order to review his ride aboard #5 Krisitnite who finished third in yesterday's first race which was a one (1) mile main track event. Film review this morning shows Jockey Baze use his riding crop (right handed-uncocked) three (3) times after he had already broken inward. This put early pressure on sixth (last) place finisher #6 Wahine Warrior (Kent Desormeaux). The stewards told Jockey Baze to make sure his mount is straight leaving the gate before using his riding crop.

07/28/16²

RAFAEL BEJERANO FILM REVIEW

Jockey Rafael Bejerano appeared in the steward's office in order to review his ride aboard #1 Luminance who won yesterday's (July 27) third race. Jockey Bejerano was accompanied by his agent Tora Yamaguchi. In this race Jockey Bejerano crosses over in front of second place finisher #3 Bendale (Flavien Prat) inside the 1/8 mile marker resulting in Jockey Prat altering course. The stewards' felt the margin of clearance was close to being unacceptable. The stewards' informed Jockey Bejerano of this and issued a warning in this matter.

07/28/16³

SMOOTH CARD

For the second day in a row our eight (8) race card was problem free with no stewards' inquiries and /or jockey objections.

07/28/16⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race #2 Sam Slick (Tr. David Hofmans) unsound-Barrie Grant DVM
Refund \$1,345.30
- 2nd Race #3 Girl Downstairs (Tr. Vann Belvoir) sick—Barrie Grant DVM
Refund \$981.90
- 5th Race #1 Revenue Virginius (Tr. D. O’Neill) claimed by P. Miller, trainer
#6 Bad Ju Ju (Tr. M. Machowsky) claimed by D. O’Neill, trainer
#9 OK Doll (Tr. Richard Baltas) sick- Barrie Grant DVM
Refund \$2,338.60
- 6th Race #10 Tequila Mary - trainer should read Art Sherman
#5 U Go Gal (Tr. Bobby Grayson) sick—Barrie Grant DVM
Refund \$2,150.90
- 7th Race #4 Royal Flush Babe (Tr. R. Ellis) claimed by C. Hartman, trainer
#2 Exuberante (GB) (Tr: P.H. Lobo) sick- Dana Stead DVM
Refund \$956.50
- 8th Race #3 Look No Further should read ‘ridgling’

07/28/16⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	7,237	\$997,343.20
Off Track	4,326	\$1,950,165.90
Out –of-State	N/A	\$4,062,188.21
Total	11,563	\$7,009,697.31

FRIDAY

07/29/16¹

NORBERTO ARROYO JR. INFORMAL HEARING (Ref: 7/8/16²)

Jockey Norberto Arroyo Jr. appeared as ordered to have an informal meeting with the stewards. Also present were Jim Hamilton (CHRB Investigator), Leroy Martinez (Winners Foundation), Juan Estrada and Tertian Carlos (Arizona Racing Commission) who are racing investigators shadowing Investigator Hamilton.

Jockey Arroyo has returned to riding recently after a near decade hiatus from Southern California. He has many off track incidents in recent years that have been on the radar for racing officials. Failing to complete the jockey’s room sign in sheet, not weighing in on time and reporting late to the paddock wouldn’t be major rule violations in many cases but with Jockey Arroyo’s career history Del Mar stewards’ told Arroyo he will be a frequent visitor to our office, assuming he stays in Southern California, should he maintain his current behavior.

Part of this informal hearing also included a film review of yesterday’s sixth race which was Jockey Arroyo won aboard #12 Stand By For News. In this six (6) furlong event #12 Stand By For News drops down from its outside post and puts needless pressure on rivals to his in inside. In a unanimous decision the stewards’ issued a warning in this matter.

07/29/16²

FLAVIAN PRAT FILM REVIEW

Jockey Flavian Prat appeared in the stewards’ office in order to review his ride aboard #4 Royal Flush Babe who finished sixth in yesterday’s sixth race which was contested at a distance of six (6) furlongs. This horse was beaten a head margin for fifth place by #6 Lady Pilot (Edgar Orozco). Jockey Prat stood straight up in the saddle about four (4) strides before the finish line. The stewards’ felt his actions cost his horse a better placing in a race that had Superfecta but not Super High 5 wagering. In a unanimous decision the stewards issued the following ruling.

DMTD RULING #017

Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule 1692 (Requirements for Horse, Trainer and Jockey – failed to ride mount out until the finish line is passed) in the sixth race at Del Mar Race Track on July 28, 2016.

07/29/16³

SANTIAGO GONZALEZ FILM REVIEW

Jockey Santiago Gonzalez appeared in the stewards’ office in order to review his ride aboard #5 Lady Chairman who finished fourth in yesterday’s fifth race which was a one (1) mile turf event. Approaching the 1/16 marker #5 Lady Chairman shifts out from behind a rival and makes contact with eventual fifth place finisher #2 My Foolish Heart (Kent Desormeaux). The stewards cautioned Jockey Gonzalez, in a race that was a difficult trip, to use more caution in the future. The stewards’ issued a warning in a unanimous decision.

07/29/16⁴

SMOOTH CARD

For the third day in a row racing here went well as it was free of stewards’ inquiries and/or jockey objections.

07/29/16⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race #9 Shakti (Tr. P.Miller) sick-Will Farmer DVM
Refund \$322.30
- #4 Mrs Guty (Tr. M. McCarthy) claimed by M. Chew, trainer
- #7 Spindle (Tr. P. Miller) claimed by M.Calvario, trainer
- 4th Race #2 Demigoddess (Tr. C. Stutts) injured-Will Farmer DVM
Refund \$438.80
- 5th Race #1 Carlot Cowboy (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) claimed , B.Koriner, trainer
- #2 Jonny’s Choice (Tr. M. Glatt) claimed, J.Mullins, trainer
- #7 Nahem should read ‘Blinkers On’
- #10 Alltheleavesrbrown (Tr. E.Miranda) claimed, I.Kruljac trainer
- 8th Race #2 With a Twist (Tr. R.B. Hess Jr.) claimed, J.Mullins, trainer
- #5 Intoxicating Move (Tr. V. Belvoir) claimed, M. Chew-VOID-LAME Barrie Grant DVM
- #8 Swiss Skimmer (Tr. R. Baltas) claimed, T. Yakteen, trainer
- #9 Diamond Cut (Tr. M. Chew) claimed, J. Sadler, trainer

07/29/16⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	4,971	\$1,404,354.70
Off Track	13,858	\$2,845,864.70
Out –of-State	N/A	\$6,079,361.90
Total	18,829	\$10,329,581.30

SATURDAY

07-30-16¹

SATURDAY JAMIE THERIOT FILM REVIEW

Jockey Jamie Theriot appeared in the stewards’ office in order to review his ride aboard # 3 Chicago’s Angel who finished first in yesterday’s third race which was contested at a distance of one (1) mile on the main track. The stewards’ were concerned about Jockey Theriot's use of the crop in the final furlong of this race. Film review of the tight pan shot shows Theriot actually flag (show) his riding crop five (5) or six (6) times to his mount without striking her. All present (Theriot and stewards) felt his mare responded better to just seeing the riding crop.

07/30/16²

NATHANIEL FRIEDMAN COMPLAINT (CASE #16SA0182)

Trainer Michael Pender filed a complaint against owner Nathaniel Friedman alleging that Mr. Friedman was indebted to him in the amount of \$4,660.80 for training services. The stewards’ were informed that Mr. Friedman had mailed a check for that amount to CHRB headquarters.

07/30/16³

SEVENTH RACE STEWARDS INQUIRY

The stewards' posted the Inquiry sign in order to conduct an investigation an incident involving sixth place finisher #4 Gift Of A Star (Gary Stevens). Jockey Stevens steadied extremely sharply on the far turn after passing the 3/8ths marker. Race replays were somewhat inconclusive as to the reasons for this action. Following a patrol judge report and speaking with Jockey Stevens the stewards' unanimously voted to let the original placings stand. The stewards' felt the early paceretter's in this race tired somewhat and #4 Gift Of A Star ran up their heels and forced Jockey Stevens to check sharply.

07/30/16⁴

CLEMENT L. HIRSCH STAKES

The very popular mare Beholder and a Ziggy Marley concert attracted a robust Saturday afternoon crowd of 25,502. The San Diego Padres drew 31,620 to their game against the Cincinnati Reds at Petco Park in a game that had a 5:15 p.m. start. This Grade 1 event (Purse \$300,00) was won by #2 Stellar Wind (Victor Espinoza) who is trained by John Sadler. Trainer Sadler celebrated his 60th birthday today at Del Mar. Beholder finished a length behind finishing second, a length back, at post time odds of 1 to 9. \$996,328 was wagered to show on Beholder out of a total show pool of \$1,032,470.00. The tote department reported a minus show pool of \$194,965.30.

07/30/16⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1ST Race #7 Awe So Special (Tr. C. Dominguez) ran loose on racetrack-stewards
Refund \$45,962.90
- 4th Race #7 Well Measured (Tr. P. Miller) sick-Dana Stead DVM
#10 Alabama Tide (Tr. C.Hartman) sick-Dana Stead DVM
Refund Total: \$1409.10
- 6th Race #1 My Pi Romancer (Tr. K. Desormeaux) injured—Dana Stead DVM
Refund: \$1,312.70
10th Race #6 El Koreano (Tr. J. Gomez) claimed, S. Knapp, trainer

07/30/16⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	25,502	\$2,499,502.30
Off Track	8,028	\$5,119,943.30
Out -of-State	N/A	\$10,257,574.97
Total	33,530	\$17,877,020.57

SUNDAY

07/31/16¹

NORBERTO ARROYO RULING

The ruling below was issued after Jockey Norberto Arroyo had failed to mark down his time of arrival on the sign in sheet in the jockeys' room for the fourth time of this meet. Arroyo is a repeat visitor to our office (REF 7/8/16(2) & 7/29/16(1)). He has been told under no uncertain terms that his actions will be monitored closely by the stewards.

RULING #018

Jockey NORBERTO ARROYO, JR. is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule 1680 (Jockeys and Drivers to Report – Failed to complete sign-in sheet) on July 30,2016.

07/31/16²

DAVID VIZCARRA HEARING (CASE NO:15SA042)

CHRB Investigator Jim Hamilton was on hand to present his comprehensive forty nine (49) page investigative report at an informal fitness hearing for Santa Anita Laborer David Vizcarra. This hearing was originally scheduled to be heard on May 26, 2016 (REF: 5/26/16 (2)) at Santa Anita Park. Santa Anita ruling #142 (May 26, 2016) suspended Vizarra for failure to appear. Also present today was Leroy Martinez (Winners Foundation).

Vizcarra was in the Los Angeles County Jail on May 26 and was unable to attend that hearing. He brought at least six (6) letters of recommendation with him today including one from a member of the Santa Anita security department. Following about a thirty (30) minute hearing the stewards, in a unanimous decision, issued the following ruling.

RULING #019

Laborer David Vizcarra having participated in a fitness for license hearing is declared to be eligible to reapply for a license. Ruling LATS #142 issued at Santa Anita on May 26, 2016 is set aside provided Mr. Vizcarra signs a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board. Additionally Mr. Vizcarra will be on probation through the term of his license during which any further rule violations will result in license suspension.

07/31/16³

MATTHEW ASCANIO HEARING (CASE NO:15DM003)

The complaint in this case reads as follows:

On June 3, 2015 Jockey Agent Matthew Ascanio was arrested by LA County Sherriff Temple Station for 273.5 (A) PC (Inflict Corporal Injury on Spouse). On June 24, 2015 Matthew Ascanio was arrested again for 273.5 PC- Felony. On July 10, 2015 Jockey agent Matthew Ascanio appeared in Alhambra court and was sentenced to 365 days in jail.

At this informal fitness hearing CHRB Investigator Jim Hamilton presented a twenty one (21) page complaint packet. Leroy Martinez (Winners Foundation) was also present. Ascanio was suspended by 2015 Del Mar stewards for six (6) months in a ruling that was memorialized in Del Mar ruling #87 dated September 7, 2015. He is currently enrolled in and attending 'domestic violence' classes in Los Angeles County. In a unanimous decision the stewards issued the following ruling.

RULING #020

Jockey Agent Matthew Ascanio having participated in a fitness for license hearing is eligible for a license. Ruling DMTD #087 issued at Del Mar on September 7, 2015 is set aside provided Mr. Ascanio sign a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board. Furthermore, Mr. Ascanio is placed on probation for the term of his license.

07/31/16⁴

SIXTH RACE INQUIRY

The stewards' posted the inquiry sign after viewing the stretch run of this five (5) furlong turf race. The eventual winner #3 Snow Cloud (IRE) (Jamie Theriot) was closing strongly at the 3/16 marker. At this juncture this horse shifts out very shaply and impeded three (3) rivals to his outside. Those horses were seventh place finisher #6 Madame Mousse (Tiago Pereira), eighth place finisher #12 Boat Drinks (Abel Cedillo) and ninth (last) place finisher #5 (Victor Espinoza). The horses that were bothered in this event were trailing at the time of the foul and showed very little subsequent to the incident. The stewards' spoke to all the jockey's involved in this race and reviewed all replay angles. In a unanimous decision there was 'no change' made in the original placings

07/31/16⁵

DECLARATIONS. CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2 nd Race	#1 Winning Causeway (Tr. K.Mulhall) claimed R. Diodoro, trainer #8 Ladies Man (Tr. V. Cerin) claimed C.Dominguez, trainer #9 Rye Patch (Tr. C. Gaines) claimed R.Baltas, trainer
4 th Race	#4 Enduring Erin (Tr. J.Carava) claimed R. Baltas, trainer #5 Anitqa Partner(IRE) (Tr. J.Mullins) claimed R. Ellis, trainer
5 th Race	#7 Selection (Tr. J. Gutierrez) claimed K. Craigmyle, trainer #9 Dothraki (Tr. D. Meredith) claimed G.Papaprodromou, trainer
6 th Race	#9 Miss Big Stuff (Tr. P.Miller) unsound—Will Farmer DVM. Refund \$1,804.43
7 th Race	#5 Schillairess (Tr. P. Miller) Enter back—Stewards #9 Mad Bum (Tr.Miranda) sick-Dana Stead DVM. Refund Total: \$976.11

8th Race #6 Bluegrass Bronco (Tr. D. Hofmans) stake-Steward
 Refund: \$783.81

07/31/16⁶ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	7,481	\$1,770,995.30
Off Track	11,040	\$5,464,276.90
Out –of-State	N/A	\$8,870,383.66
Total	18,521	\$16,105,655.86

ATTENDANCE REPORT – 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 OF 7/25/16 TO 7/31/16

Horses on Vet List	20	Horses off Vet List	8
Shock Wave Therapy	35	Deceased	1

SUMMARY

	Wed 7/27	Thurs 7/28	Fri 7/29	Sat 7/30	Sun 7/31	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	2	2	2	1	1	8	23
Claims	6	3	9	1	5	24	85
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Inquiries	0	0	0	1	1	2	6
Refunds	0	5	2	3	4	14	80
Rulings	0	0	1	0	3	4	20
Voided Claims	1	0	2	1	1	5	11.

Respectfully submitted,

 Grant Baker, Steward

 Kim Sawyer, Steward

 C. Scott Chaney, Steward

 Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward