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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**

**DEL MAR SUMMER MEET  
DEL MAR THOROUGHBRED CLUB**

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**For the period: Wednesday, July 19, 2017, through Monday, September 4, 2017.**

**GENERAL DATA:**

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- Dates:** Wednesday, July 19, 2017 through Monday, September 4, 2017.  
36 racing days. Total number of days or nights racing per week: 5, Wednesday through Sunday with the exception of Closing Day, Labor Day Monday.
- Races:** Eight races weekdays, ten races on Saturday, and nine races on Sunday unless otherwise designated.
- Post time:** 2:00 pm with the exception of Fridays, when first post will be 4:00 pm and 3:30 pm on August 25 and September 1, 2017.
- Scratch time:** Regular scratch time will be at 10:00 am the previous racing day, unless otherwise noted. The deadline for scratches for stakes races, with the exception of overnight stakes races will be prior to the 3<sup>rd</sup> race or 2 hours before post time, whichever is longer.
- Wagering:** Minimum \$2 win, place and show wagering on every race; \$2 Rolling Doubles; \$1 Rolling Pick Threes; \$1 Exactas on all races; \$0.50 Trifectas on all races; \$1 and 10 cent Superfectas on all qualifying races; \$0.50 Pick 5 on first 5 races; \$2 Pick Six (with carryover) on final six races, and \$1 Place Pick All (no carryover) beginning with first race.

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**WEEK 1 - Wednesday, July 19, 2017 through Sunday, July 23, 2017.**

**Saturday**  
07-15-17<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRIES**

Steward Grant Baker was present to oversee entries for the first day of the Del Mar Summer Meeting.

**Sunday**  
07-16-17<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRIES**

Steward Grant Baker was present to oversee entries for the second day of the Del Mar Summer Meeting.

**Tuesday**  
07-18-17<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Grant Baker was present to oversee entries for the third day of the Del Mar Summer Meeting and scratches for opening day.

07-18-17<sup>2</sup>

**PRE-MEET MEETING**

Executive Vice President of Racing Tom Robbins chaired the pre-meet meeting to discuss all matters related to the opening of Del Mar tomorrow. Present at the meeting were: Robbins, the full Board of Stewards including Safety Steward Luis Jauregui; CTT's Mary Forney, Jim Cassidy and Alan Balch; Del Mar Management's Joe Harper, Josh Rubenstein, David Jerkens, Kim Jacobson, and Walker McBride; Veterinarians Rick Arthur, Dana Stead, Tim Grande and Barrie Grant; Track Superintendent Dennis Moore; Jockeys' Guild Darrell Haire; Stewards' Aide Lucy Villancourt; and Racing Office's Zac Soto. Many issues were discussed but the lion's share of the discussion was about equine safety and the measures that are being undertaken to create a safe, fair environment: track surface changes, veterinary examinations, and morning training procedures. Additional topics included video replay and video board changes, an update from risk management, and a few concerns voiced by the racing veterinarian.

**Wednesday**  
07-19-17<sup>1</sup>

**OPENING DAY**

Today marked the opening of the 78<sup>th</sup> season here at Del Mar. 34,128 attended and wagered \$14,221,951.10 from all sources.

07-19-17<sup>2</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey KAYLA STRA was represented by owner Robert Croasdale in the Stewards' office this morning. She was

ordered to review her ride in the ninth race on closing day at Los Alamitos. Her mount was disqualified after we determined that horse and rider angled down causing a chain reaction which resulted in a rival clipping heels and unseating his rider. Mr. Croasdale was candid in explaining that the horse's inward move was more rapid and sharper than Mr. Stra expected and pointed out that she corrected that movement, albeit after the initial contact had taken place. We agreed with this assessment and issued the following penalty:

**DMTD Ruling #001**

Jockey KAYLA STRA, who rode I'm Sassy in the ninth race at Los Alamitos Race Track on July 16, 2017, is suspended for SEVEN (7) racing days (July 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and August 2, 2017) for crossing over without sufficient clearance, causing interference resulting in an accident shortly after the start and the disqualification of her mount from seventh to unplaced. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules - Careless Riding). Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races). The term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

Jockey ISRAEL OCAMPO came the office to review his ride in the fourth race on Saturday at Los Alamitos. Films showed that his horse broke inwardly and his response to correct was too slow. He agreed. We explained that we were issuing a warning but a similar action in the future would result in a suspension.

Jockey NORBERTO ARROYO came to the office to discuss his tardiness to the jockeys' room closing day at Los Alamitos. He stated that he was getting better and we explained that this is too frequent of an occurrence and availed him with the knowledge that further transgressions could result in the removal from mounts. He understood. Ruling to follow.

Jockey JUAN OCHOA came to the office to review his crop use in the stretch of the third race on Sunday at Los Alamitos. After review, we determined that he was in compliance with the rules.

Jockey AUSTIN SOLIS came to the office to examine his crop use in the seventh race on Sunday at Los Alamitos. Video revealed four strikes in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond. We therefore issued the following ruling:

**DMTD Ruling #002**

Apprentice Jockey AUSTIN SOLIS is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* 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 in the last sixty days), during the seventh race at Los Alamitos Race Track on July 16, 2017.

07-19-17<sup>3</sup>

**JOCKEY LICENSED**

Jockey ARTURO GARCIA ROSALES was licensed today. He formerly rode in Arizona among other states and has been a licensed jockey for over 30 years.

07-19-17<sup>4</sup>

**APPRENTICE JOCKEY LICENSED**

Apprentice rider FRANCISCO AMPARAN came to the office to seek an apprentice license. He has been riding in New Mexico and has six wins to his credit. We explained rules, procedures and expectations here in Southern California.

07-19-17<sup>5</sup>

**TVG MEETING**

KEVIN GRIGSBY of TVG Management stopped by the office to discuss a few changes to programming this season that may have some intersection with the racing side and asked permission to try a few different ways in which to conduct interviews.

07-19-17<sup>6</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	#3 Summer Buddha – Claimed – J. Periban, trainer. Refund \$1,087.59
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#3 Where Y'at Joe – Claimed – R. Diodoro, trainer

#4 Holdthismiss – Claimed – E. Moger, trainer  
 #5 Logan’s Moon – Claimed – R. Saldana, trainer  
 #6 Bronzino (FR) – Claimed – J. Martin, trainer. Refund \$520.52  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #1 Ibon – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead  
 #4 Over Par – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Grant. Refund \$5,466.42  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$10.00  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$106.80  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$335.10  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race #11 Madiba – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 #12 Tribal Jewel – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible. Refund \$1,698.42  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race #9 Placido – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Grant. Refund \$1,976.10  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race #5 We Will Rock Joyce – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead. Refund \$1,185.82  
 10<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Que Chistoso – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead  
 #4 Private Prospect – Claimed – R. Hess, Jr. , trainer  
 #7 Shackleford Banks – Claimed – G. Stute, trainer  
 #8 Out of Patience – Claimed – K. Mulhall, trainer  
 #11 My Discretion – Claimed – B. Wright, trainer  
 #4 Private Prospect – Claim – VOIDED – returns to R. Diodoro, trainer.  
 Refund \$1,844.83

07-19-17<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	34,128	\$3,505,515.20
Off Track	4,448	\$2,040,147.60
Out –of-State	N/A	\$8,676,288.30
Total	38,576	\$14,221,951.10

**Thursday**

07/ 20/17<sup>1</sup>

**ELLIS HEARING**

The sixth day of the Ellis (case number 16SA0260) hearing was held this morning. We considered several motions, entered documents into evidence, established a closing brief schedule and brought the hearing to a close.

07-20-17<sup>2</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey SAUL ARIAS came to the office to review his ride in the fourth race on July 15 at Los Alamitos. We wanted to review his actions at the start. His horse broke sharply outward and we felt he could have made a quicker effort to correct that movement. He agreed. Warning.

Jockey MARTIN PEDROZA called and accepted the responsibility for the behavior that necessitated issuing the following ruling:

**DMTD Ruling #003**

Jockey MARTIN PEDROZA 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 – second offense in the last sixty days), during the ninth race at Los Alamitos Race Track on July 16, 2017 (last offense on June 18, 2017).

Jockey VINNIE BEDNAR called and accepted the responsibility for the behavior that necessitated issuing the following ruling:

**DMTD Ruling #004**

Jockey VINNIE BEDNAR is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* 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 in the last sixty days), during the first race at Los Alamitos Race Track on July 16, 2017.

Jockey NORBERTO ARROYO was issued the following ruling pursuant to the hearing yesterday:

**DMTD Ruling #005**

Jockey NORBERTO ARROYO, JR. is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1680 (Jockeys and Drivers to Report – late to Jockeys’ Room) on July 16, 2017 at Los Alamitos Race Track.

Jockey DANIEL VERGARA came to the office to review his crop use in the ninth race yesterday. Video revealed that he used his crop at least six times in succession before giving his horse a chance to respond. He accepted the following ruling:

**DMTD Ruling #007**

Jockey DANIEL VERGARA is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* 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 in the last sixty days), during the ninth race at Del Mar Race Track on July 19, 2017.

07-20-17<sup>2</sup>

**MORFIN RULING**

After meeting with exercise ride SALVADOR MORFIN yesterday, we issued a ruling today. Mr. Morfin was referred to our office by the morning outriders for disobedience and failure to leave the track in a timely manner. Mr. Morfin didn’t seem to agree with the ticket or the ruling but we tried to make it clear that the outriders’ word is final on the track and failure to obey would result in future penalties.

**DMTD Ruling #006**

Exercise Rider SALVADOR MORFIN is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* for violation of the California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers – failure to follow instructions of the outrider), at Santa Anita Park on July 16, 2017.

07-20-17<sup>3</sup>

**INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION**

Following the running of the second race, we posted the inquiry sign to examine the start of #3 Honor Maker (E. Maldonado). Video revealed that she broke out sharply, significantly interfering with #4 Ocean Dream. #3 finished fifth, a length and a half in front of #4. After reviewing the video and speaking with the patrol judges, we unanimously voted to disqualify #3 Honor Maker and place her last.

Original order of finish: 7-1-5-2-(3)-4

Corrected order of finish: 7-1-5-2-4-(3)

07-20-17<sup>4</sup>

**INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION**

Following the running of the eighth race, we posted the inquiry sign to examine an incident involving #5 I Never Give Up (K. Frey) ducking out sharply and interfering with two rivals in the process. Video revealed that #5 did, in fact, duck out under left handed urging causing significant interference. After speaking with the patrol judges and riders involved, we unanimously voted to disqualify #5 and place her last.

Original order of finish: 1-2-8-(5)-10-6-4-9-3

Corrected order of finish: 1-2-8-10-6-4-9-3-(5)

07-20-17<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	#1 Bullet Express – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead
	#2 Frac Candy – Claimed – C. Treece, trainer
	#4 Oh Newman – Claimed – M. Puype, trainer
	#6 Finallygotabentley – Claimed – J. Mullins, trainer
	#6 Finallygotabentley – Claim VOIDED – returns to J. Hollendorfer, trainer. Refund \$1,171.39
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#6 Sassy Ashley – Veterinarian’s scratch, sick – Dr. Stead. Refund \$716.26
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#13 Californiasummer – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible. Refund \$647.62

4<sup>th</sup> Race #7 Ruff House – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Farmer  
 #3 Gummy – Claimed – K. Mulhall, trainer  
 #8 Shadow Op – Claimed – D. O’Neill, trainer  
 #3 Gummy – Claim VOIDED – returns to D. O’Neill, trainer. Refund \$865.25

5<sup>th</sup> Race #2 Moving – Claimed – G. Popaprodromou, trainer  
 #11 Street Moxie – Claimed – E. Moger, trainer. Refund \$30.00

6<sup>th</sup> Race #9 Pray for Corday – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Farmer. Refund \$263.58

7<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Evergreen – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Stead. Refund \$458.64

8<sup>th</sup> Race #7 Stylitude – Late veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Farmer  
 #8 Scat Home Lady – Rider change – E. Maldonado for N. Arroyo (late to jockeys’ room).  
 Refund \$2,303.39

07-20-17<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	6,328	\$1,109,191.90
Off Track	4,175	\$1,802,060.90
Out –of-State	N/A	\$5,679,504.17
Total	10,503	\$8,590,756.97

**Friday**

07-21-17<sup>1</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice Jockey LAURA WERNER came to the office to review her ride during the stretch run of the eighth race yesterday. Video revealed that her mount drifted in several paths causing two horses to steady. We believed that while there was some effort to correct the drift, that it was nevertheless too slow and too weak. Ms. Werner and her agent basically agreed but were disappointed to receive the following ruling:

**DMTD Ruling #008**

Apprentice Jockey LAURA WERNER, who rode Proper Drink in the third race at Del Mar Race Track on July 20, 2017, is suspended for FOUR (4) racing days (July 27, 28, 29 and 30, 2017) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch, and causing interference. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding – second offense in the last 60 days). Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

Jockey NORBERTO ARROYO came to the office this morning discuss the fact that he was late to the jockeys’ room for his mount in the last race yesterday. CHRB regulations require jockeys to be present and signed in one hour before their ride. After being fined several times for arriving past the one hour mark, we warned Mr. Arroyo on Wednesday that he would be removed from his mount should this habit occur again. We delivered on that condition when he arrived approximately 30 minutes before this race yesterday. He explained that he couldn’t enter the race track because all of the thoroughfares had been switched to exit only. We did not find this excuse compelling. The majority believed that removal from his mount was a sufficient penalty but Steward Baker wanted to also fine Mr. Arroyo.

Jockey KYLE FREY came to the office to review his ride in the eighth race yesterday after which his mount was disqualified for interference. Video showed that his horse angled out or at the least that Mr. Frey failed to correct his mount when she ducked out, interfering with two horses in the process. Mr. Frey made no excuse for the careless ride and accepted the following ruling:

**DMTD Ruling #009**

Jockey KYLE FREY, who rode I Never Give Up in the eighth race at Del Mar Race Track on July 20, 2017, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (July 27, 28, and 29, 2017) for altering course without sufficient clearance and causing interference in the stretch, which resulted in the disqualification of his mount from fourth to ninth position. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rule – Careless Riding). Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated

Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races. Jockey DRAYDEN VANDYKE came to the office today to review his ride in the fifth race yesterday. We believed that he eased up on his mount over the final few strides and may have cost his horse a placing. After a review of the video, we ultimately decided that his actions did not cost the horse a placing, but we strongly urged him to stay down until the finish line has passed. He understood.

07-21-17<sup>2</sup>

**INQUIRY/NO CHANGE**

Following the running of the fourth race, we posted the inquiry sign to examine the start. There were several points of contact involving several horses. A few riders blamed apprentice rider Evin Roman who was angling down from the outside. While he did angle sharply, rather quickly and he was not the only rider/horse to blame, he also corrected. After additionally speaking with the patrol judges, we unanimously voted to make no change to the original order of finish.

07-21-17<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #3 Southern Treasure – Claimed -- S. Miyadi, trainer  
 #4 Ipray – Claimed – J. Mullins, trainer  
 #6 Herunbridledpower – Claimed – R. Trela, trainer  
 #4 Ipray – Claim VOIDED – returns R. Gomez, trainer. Refund \$0.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0.00

3<sup>rd</sup> Race Refund \$21.00

4<sup>th</sup> Race Refund \$12.00

5<sup>th</sup> Race #13 Rocky’s Show – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Stead  
 #14 One I’m Running To – Rider change – J. Theriot (CW 118) for E. Roman (second call on also eligible). Refund \$217.68

6<sup>th</sup> Race #8 Clever Royal – Claimed – R. Diodoro, trainer. Refund \$265.00

7<sup>th</sup> Race #9 Symposium (GB) – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Farmer. Refund \$1,632.10

8<sup>th</sup> Race #12 Lucky Romano – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 #14 Blackhawk Beauty – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 #8 Hot Decision – Late veterinarian scratch, flipped on track. Refund \$135,313.65

07-21-17<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	14,411	\$1,430,623.20
Off Track	5,112	\$2,897,516.10
Out –of-State	N/A	\$7,405,998.52
Total	19,523	\$11,734,137.82

**Saturday**  
 07-22-17<sup>1</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey BRAYAN PENA came to the office to review his ride in the fourth yesterday shortly after leaving the gate. There were several horses involved and we believed that Mr. Pena’s horse initiated the incident when he failed to correct his initial duck inward. He agreed to warning.

Apprentice jockey EVIN ROMAN also came to the office to review his role in the start described above. If Mr. Pena started the incident, Mr. Roman finished it. From the outside, he angled his mount too sharply toward the rail. To his credit, he made a nice effort to correct his mount and prevent contact with the horses to his inside but his angle made it more difficult to correct. He seemed to understand. A warning.

Jockey TIAGO PEREIRA came to the office to review his ride in the third race yesterday. In the stretch run of this turf race, Mr. Pereira was hitting his horse left handed when he ducked out and made hard contact with the horse to his outside. He then corrected his mount. The majority believed that the horse could be blamed for the contact and voted for a warning. Steward Chaney felt that Mr. Pereira’s actions were careless and voted for a three day suspension.

07-22-17<sup>2</sup>

**AGUIRRE AGREEMENT**

Trainer Paul Aguirre came to the office for an informal hearing with Dr. Don Shields who filed a financial complaint (case number 17SA0185) alleging unpaid veterinary bills in the form of a court judgment. A signed financial agreement established the terms by which this debt would be satisfied.

07-22-17<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0.00  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #3 Pray Hard – Claimed – R. Diodoro, trainer  
 #6 Cherubim – Claimed – P. Miller, trainer  
 #3 Pray Hard – Claim VOIDED – returns to D. O’Neill, trainer. Refund \$0.00  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0.00  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0.00  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race #9 Trapalanda – should be listed as a gelding  
 #9 Trapalanda – Claimed – M. Puype, trainer. Refund \$42.00  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$198.00  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race #8 So Long Sailor – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead. Refund \$1,661.06  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race #9 You’re A Goat (GB) – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grant  
 #14 Mrs. Norris – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 #5 Lucy De – Rider change – J. Ochoa for D. VanDyke (first call drew in)  
 Refund \$2,442.76  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race Stewards’ Review start; no inquiry. Refund \$126.20  
 10<sup>th</sup> Race Stewards’ review start; no inquiry  
 #10 Potent – should be listed as a ridgling. Refund \$28.20

07-22-17<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	16,568	\$2,407,751.50
Off Track	7,398	\$4,777,792.90
Out –of-State	N/A	\$10,961,314.13
Total	23,966	\$18,146,858.53

**Sunday**

07-23-17<sup>1</sup>

**LOMELI RULING**

Exercise rider JOSE LOMELI was referred to this office by DMTC Risk Manager Kim Jacobson who witnessed him using his riding crop and hands excessively in order to get a recalcitrant horse on the track for morning training. Also present at this informal hearing were Safety Steward Luis Jauregui and the horse’s trainer Walther Solis. Mr. Lomeli immediately downplayed the incident and number of strikes. Recently arrived from New Mexico, we explained in no uncertain terms that this type of behavior is not acceptable in racing, especially in California, and that another incident would earn him a trip back to New Mexico. We treated this akin to excessive crop use from a jockey during a race and issued the following ruling:

**DMTD Ruling #011**

Exercise Rider JOSE A. LOMELI is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting – Excessive crop use during morning training hours).

07-22-17<sup>2</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey DRAYDEN VANDYKE came to the office to review his ride in the tenth race yesterday. The incident occurred as the horses were leaving the chute on the turf course and entering the oval, while the horses were organized in a reverse stair step formation. Mr. VanDyke’s horse was angling in, and influenced the two horses to his inside and behind him, with #4 actually clipping heels. Because there were a few other factors and the location of the incident, Mr. VanDyke was spared days but cautioned that safer riding is required.

Apprentice jockey FRANCISCO AMPARAN, who was mentioned earlier this week in the minutes, visited once again because he is now named to ride a horse Wednesday. We supplied him a copy of our jockey protocol and explained a few of the most important aspects.

Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT called and took responsibility from his crop use during the sixth race yesterday. We issued the following ruling:

**DMTD Ruling #010**

Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT 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 – second offense in the last sixty days), during the sixth race at Del Mar Race Track on July 22, 2017, (last offense June 10, 2017).

07-23-17<sup>3</sup>

**MOGER HEARING AND RULING**

We held a formal hearing today for case number 17SA171 which was a complaint filed by the CHRB against trainer ED MOGER alleging a phenylbutazone overage discovered in the post race blood sample of one of his runners. Mr. Moger explained by telephone that he had no idea how the overage occurred. After entering the complaint packet into evidence and listening to Mr. Moger’s testimony, the hearing was closed and we issued the following ruling:

**DMTD Ruling #012**

Trainer ED MOGER JR. who started the horse “CANNONBALL”, second place finisher in the third race at Santa Anita Park on June 4, 2017 is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1844 ( c ) (1) (Authorized Medication) and California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a)(d) (Medication, Drugs and other Substances: Phenylbutazone – in excess of permitted level [2.61 ug/ml]).

07-23-17<sup>4</sup>

**BELL COMPLAINT WITHDRAWN**

Bliss Canyon Stables Inc. withdrew its financial complaint (case number 17SA0190) which alleged unpaid farm bills (\$1,228.00) against trainer RAY BELL when they decided that it was not worth pursuing.

07-23-17<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0.00  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #4 Sheswildnfree – Claimed – A. Lerner, Trainer  
 #5 Private Terrace – Claimed – R. Saldana, trainer  
 #8 Stole My ‘Art – Claimed – J. Brocklebank, trainer. Refund \$26.90  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$113.56  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Towards the Light – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grant. Refund \$743.05  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race #7 Royal Labert Hall (GB) – Claimed – K. Mulhall, trainer. Refund \$161.48  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race #11 Waldorf – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible. Refund \$854.80  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Noted and Quoted – Stewards’ scratch, stake  
 #7 Sircat Sally – pulled up post race, vanned off. Refund \$2,681.68  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race #8 Texas Two Step – Claimed – R. Diodoro, trainer. Refund \$0.00  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$57.80.

07-23-17<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	11,757	\$1,613,126.00
Off Track	6,833	\$4,065,222.30
Out –of-State	N/A	\$8,013,309.25
Total	18,590	\$13,691,657.55

**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 7/17/17 TO 7/23/17

Horses on Vet List       24  
Horses off Vet List       13  
Shock Wave Therapy      28  
Deceased                   0  
Medication                0  
Claims Voided             5

**SUMMARY**

	Wed 7/19	Thurs 7/20	Fri 7/21	Sat 7/22	Sun 7/23	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	2	2	2	1	0	7	7
Claims	8	6	3	2	6	25	25
Disqualifications	0	2	0	0	0	2	2
Inquiries	0	2	1	0	0	3	3
Refunds	10	8	6	6	7	37	37
Rulings	2	5	2	0	3	12	12
Voided Claims	1	2	1	1	0	5	5

Respectfully submitted,

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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C. Scott Chaney, Steward

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Grant Baker, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward