

**California Horse Racing Board**

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
DEL MAR SUMMER MEET**

Del Mar Thoroughbred Club

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**Report for the Week of Wednesday, August 26, 2020 through Monday, August 31, 2020**

**WEDNESDAY**

08/26/20<sup>1</sup>

**PETERSEN PETION HEARING**

Attorney Drew Couto on behalf of apprentice jockey Ferrin Petersen requested an emergency petition meeting pertaining to her extension, Ruling LATS #050 issued at Santa Anita Park on March 7, 2020. In attendance before the BOS was court reporter Michelle Derieg, recording the proceedings. Present by Microsoft Teams were, Drew Couto, apprentice jockey Ferrin Petersen and in the same room with her jockey's agent, Julie Krone and Ms. Krone's husband, Jay Hovdey. CHRB Manager of Policy and Regulations Amanda Drummond and CHRB Information Technical Supervisor Bill Glaholt were available in case of technical difficulties. CHRB Chief Steward Darrel McHargue was on Microsoft Teams as an observer. After more than two hours of discussion, the Stewards stated a decision would be made by Friday morning.

**THURSDAY**

08/27/20<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRY DAY**

Steward Grant Baker was on duty for entries for Sunday which filled eleven races and Scratches for Friday that included one declaration and one equipment adjustment.

08/27/20<sup>2</sup>

**BRINKERHOFF FORMAL HEARING CASE 19DM0032**

A complaint was filed by the CHRB against trainer Val Brinkerhoff for violation of CHRB rules 1843 (a)(b)(d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), 1887 (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse), 1843.1 (b) (Prohibited Drug Substances) and 1890(a)(b) (Possession of Contraband). The sitting BOS were Ron Church, Kim Sawyer and Grant Baker who chaired the hearing. Also present were trainer Val Brinkerhoff and court reporter Michelle Derieg recorded the proceedings. Available by Microsoft Teams were State of California DAG Robert Hensley, Counsel for Brinkerhoff, Suzanne Porrazzo, and CHRB Investigator Greg Icamen. Attending by

audio were, CHRB Staff Counsel Robert Brodnick and CHRB Manager of Policy and Regulations Amanda Drummond.

On August 1, 2019 at Del Mar Race Track the Val Brinkerhoff trainee “Girl Can Party” who finished first in the seventh race was post-race tested by UC Davis and was found to contain a Class III substance of Metaproterenol. This is a category B penalty. A split sample was requested and the laboratory of his choice confirmed the presence of Metaproterenol. On August 17, 2019, a search of Brinkerhoff’s barn and vehicle was conducted pursuant to the positive test and three loaded syringes with attached needles and five syringe needles were found inside of Brinkerhoff’s GMC truck. Witnesses were sworn in, testimony was heard, documents were entered into evidence and the hearing was closed. Decision to follow.

**FRIDAY**  
08/28/20<sup>1</sup>

**MONTES RULING ref 08-23-20<sup>5</sup>**

The following ruling was issued after the BOS agreed on the penalty listed.

**DMTD RULING #056**

Groom JOSE ALBERTO MONTES is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) \* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – drinking), on June 25, 2020 at San Luis Rey Downs.

Mr. Montes must be evaluated by the Winners Foundation, abide by their recommendations, and sign a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board.

08/28/20<sup>2</sup>

**BUECHLER RULING ref 08-23-20<sup>6</sup>**

The following ruling was issued following the informal hearing on August 23, 2020.

**DMTD RULING #057**

Veterinarian SABINE BUERCHLER is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* for a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1842 (Veterinarian Report – failure to provide) on October 31, 2019 at Santa Anita Park.

08/28/20<sup>3</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice Alexis Centeno joined the Stewards as directed to review the fourth race on Sunday when he crossed over entering the first turn with marginal clearance. Warning.

Ruben Fuentes and Heriberto Figueroa met with the Stewards to review the tenth race on Sunday as there was an issue shortly after the start. Both received warnings to make stronger efforts to correct their mounts. Steward Baker voted for a three (3) day suspension for Jockey Fuentes.

Mike Smith met with the Stewards to review the use of his crop in the third race on Sunday. He was adamant he did not violate the rule. Mr. Smith’s last crop violation was in 2018. He is one of our model jockeys but the Stewards believed he violated the rule.

**DMTD RULING #058**

Jockey MIKE SMITH 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) during the third race at Del Mar Race Track on August 23, 2020.

08/28/20<sup>4</sup>

**PERRY FORMAL HEARING CASE BM0004**

A complaint was filed by the CHRB against owner Sean Michael Perry for violation of CHRB Rules 1874 (Disorderly Conduct) 1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing) 1437(Conditions of a Race Meet) 1489(a)(7) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) 1900 (Grounds for

Suspension of Revocation). Present before the BOS, owner Sean Michael Perry, representing the CHRB Supervising Special Investigator in Northern California, Louis Quezada and court reporter Michelle Derieg recorded the proceedings.

The complaint reads as follows: On Tuesday June 16, 2020, Owner Sean Perry went into a medical facility in Southern California in order to be tested for COVID-19. He had apparently been ill for several days after returning from a horse sale in Ocala Florida on June 11, 2020. A few days later, he was advised by medical personnel that he had tested positive for COVID-19 with him posting his positive results on a Twitter feed on Friday, June 19, 2020. The following day (June 20, 2020), he attended a BOS hearing at Los Alamitos without wearing a protective mask or informing anyone that he had just tested positive.

The following Friday (June 26, 2020), he attended the horse races at the Alameda County Fair in Pleasanton with him coming into direct contact with several people throughout the day. He was observed several times not wearing a protective mask which is a direct violation of the Alameda County Fair conditional guidelines. During one of the contacts, he was belligerent and hostile towards a female employee, even placing his face within inches from her face all the while shouting at her without wearing a protective mask. The following witnesses Los Alamitos Steward Tom Ward, CHRB Investigator Barrett Halcromb, Executive Director of CTT Alan Balch and Pleasanton Fairgrounds witnesses Shirley Daffin and Larry Swartzlander were sworn in, testimony was heard, documents were entered into evidence and the hearing was closed. Decision to follow.

08/28/20<sup>5</sup>

**INQUIRY/NO CHANGE/NINTH RACE one mile-turf**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident in the stretch run. Involved were #11 Constantia (U. Rispoli) and #12 Quiet Secretary (R. Fuentes). #11 in second position stepped in slightly before #12 drifted out several paths causing #11 to check off of heels. After conversation with the Patrol Judge and both jockeys involved in a unanimous decision there was no change in the original order of finish as it was believed, #11 was not cost a better placing.

08/28/20<sup>6</sup>

**NINTH RACE DEBACLE**

After the first two horses were loaded in their stalls, all the doors mysteriously opened. The # 1 Unbreakable (J. Valdivia, Jr.) and #6 Big Minx (J.C. Diaz, Jr.) jumped out of the gate but were contained by the Assistant Starters. After confirmation that both jockeys and both horses were not injured the race was dispatched with all of the horses in the gate.

08/28/20<sup>7</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race	No Changes. Refund: \$2,371.68
2nd Race	#2 Himiko (Tr. B. Baffert) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead. Refund: \$3,605.52
3rd Race	#2 Honos Man (Tr. R.B. Hess) claimed by Tr. P. Miller #5 Go Time (Tr. P. Miller) claimed by Tr. J. Periban. Refund: \$327.30
4th Race	#3 Zorich (Tr. M. Glatt) claimed by Tr. A. Lerner #4 Alvaaro (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. R.B. Hess, Jr. #6 Self Taught (R.B. Hess, Jr.) claimed by Tr. S. Knapp. Refund: \$32.50
5th Race	#6 K P D Day (Tr. J. Mullins) claimed by Tr. A. Marquez #9 Juror (Tr. R. Baltas) claimed by Tr. S. Gonzalez. Refund: \$92.00
6th race	#2 Righteously (Tr. E. Freeman) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio Refund: \$547.80
7th Race	No Changes. Refund: \$1,714.52
8th Race	No Changes. Refund: \$38.00
9 <sup>th</sup> Race	#9 Brandons Danger (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) claimed by Tr. J. Metz Refund: \$584.60

08/28/20<sup>8</sup> **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	125	\$117,114.70
SCOTWinc	969	\$2,046,734.96
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,647,591.76
Total	1094	\$9,811,441.42

**SATURDAY**

08/29/20<sup>1</sup>

**SLENDER MEETING ref 08-28-20<sup>8</sup>**

Starter Jay Slender met with the Stewards to review an incident that occurred before the start of the ninth race yesterday. The starting gates prematurely opened with only two horses loaded. After reviewing the incident several times in the Stewards' office, Slender gave his best opinion of what happened. He believed the hand held instrument he uses to dispatch the field short circuited. This apparatus known as the "Button" was replaced along with the cord it was attached to.

08/29/20<sup>2</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Ruben Fuentes met with the Stewards to review two different races yesterday. The first issue was the use of his crop in the sixth race wherein he admitted he violated the rule. The second issue in race nine, (ref-08-28-20<sup>6</sup>) he was involved in an inquiry. After a review of his drift in the stretch all agreed he impeded a horse to his outside and he was issued a suspension in one of the following rulings. Also, he was penalized for his tardiness yesterday for a film review.

**DMTD RULING #059**

**AMENDED**

Jockey RUBEN FUENTES is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers-late to attend film review on August 28, 2020).

**DMTD RULING #060**

Jockey RUBEN FUENTES who rode QUIET SECRETARY in the ninth race at Del Mar Race Track on Friday, August 28, 2020 is suspended for FOUR (4) racing days (September 5,6,7 & 19, 2020) for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference, a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules-Careless Riding- Second Offense in Sixty (60) Days).

**DMTD RULING #061**

Jockey RUBEN FUENTES 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 violation within the past 60 day period) during the sixth race at Del Mar Race Track on August 28, 2020.

Drayden Van Dyke met with the Stewards to review his crop use in the second race yesterday. After a review and discussion, his penalty is listed in the following ruling.

**DMTD RULING #062**

Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE 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 – third offense in the last 60 days), during the second race at Del Mar Race Track on August 28, 2020.

08/29/20<sup>3</sup>

**BONDE FORMAL HEARING CASE 20SA0176**

A complaint was filed by the CHRB against trainer Jeff Bonde for violation of CHRB rules 1843 (a)(b)(d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), 1887(a) (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse), 1843.1(a) (Prohibited Drug Substances) and 1866(e) (Veterinarian's List).

Present before the BOS were, representing the CHRB Investigator Mike Barker, Jeff Bonde, his practicing veterinarian Vince Baker as a witness and court reporter Michelle Derieg documented the proceedings.

The official blood sample #NC44120 taken on May 20, 2020 from the horse "Raging Tiger" after a morning workout to be removed from the Veterinarian's List as the horse had not raced within the last six months. It was reported by Dr. Ben Moeller of Maddy EAACL at UC Davis the sample contained Triamcinolone Acetonide. This drug is not permitted in the horse's system in a workout to be removed from the list. A split sample was not requested. Dr. Baker testified that Mr. Bonde allows him to administer medication when he feels it is necessary without consult. Dr. Baker stated the medication was given May 5, 2020 and he believed this was outside of the recommended withdrawal time for the medication to clear the system. Decision to follow.

08/29/20<sup>4</sup>

**BAKER HEARING CASE 20DM0017**

A complaint was filed by the CHRB against Veterinarian Vince Baker for violation of CHRB rules 1842 (Veterinarian Report). On a May 20, 2020 confidential Dr. Baker failed to show a specific medication given to a horse. Dr. Baker has worked the thoroughbred circuit since 1990 and has never received a penalty of any kind. In a majority decision he was issued an official warning. Steward Baker voted for a fine.

08/29/20<sup>5</sup>

**INQUIRY/ DISQUALIFICATION/FIFTH RACE 5/8 turf**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident in the stretch run. Involved were #2 Le Tub (R. Fuentes 1<sup>st</sup>), #3 Predictable Tully (IRE)(A. Delgadillo 8<sup>th</sup>) and #7 Her Legacy (A. Gryder 5<sup>th</sup>). At the sixteenth marker #2 inside of #7 guided his horse out knocking that one outward off of its path. This action caused #3 who was outside of #7 to clip the heels of #7. After conversation with the Patrol Judge and the jockeys involved in a unanimous decision #2 was disqualified from first and placed eighth behind #3.

ORIGINAL ORDER OF FINISH (2)-8-5-9-7-6-4-3-1-10  
OFFICIAL ORDER OF FINISH 8-5-9-7-6-4-3-(2)-1-10

08/29/20<sup>6</sup>

**VOIDED CLAIM**

Following an examination by Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio of #5 Winning Element who ran in the second race, the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List. The Stewards voided the claim and the horse was returned to the stable of trainer Ryan Hanson.

08/29/20<sup>7</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund: \$0.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#2 Secret Touch (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. M. Glatt #3 Wilshire Dude (Tr. C. Treece) claimed by Tr. S. Knapp #5 Winning Element (Tr. R. Hanson) claimed by Tr. P. Miller - <b>VOID</b> Refund: \$0.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund: \$4.50
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund: \$31.50
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund: \$611.90
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund: \$177.00
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	#3 Fashion Royalty (GB) (Tr. P. Gallagher) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio #6 Mind Out (Tr. S. Callaghan) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio. Refund: \$2,489.23
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Champagneonme (Tr. R.B. Hess, Jr.) claimed by Tr. J. Sadler #4 McKale (Tr. B. Baffert) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Stead. Refund: \$1,124.57
9 <sup>th</sup> Race	No Change. Refund: \$408.67
10 <sup>th</sup> Race	#6 Vertical Threat (Tr. R. Baltas) Stewards' scratch. Refund: \$2,301.94
11 <sup>th</sup> Race	#8 Ultimate Bango (Tr. B. Heap) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Bohannon Refund: \$3,546.16

08/29/20<sup>8</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	214	\$206,607.88
SCOTWinc	1,119	\$3,508,702.94
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$13,287,805.34
Total	1,333	\$17,003,116.16

**SUNDAY**

08/30/20<sup>1</sup>

**BONDE RULING ref 08-29-20<sup>4</sup>**

The following ruling was issued after a penalty decision was concluded by the BOS.

**DMTD RULING #063**

Trainer JEFF BONDE, who worked the horse RAGING TIGER for removal from the Veterinarian's List on May 20, 2020 at Santa Anita Race Track, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* pursuant to Rule #1887 (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1843 (a)(b)(d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), Rule #1866(e) (Veterinarian's List) and Rule #1843.1 (Prohibited Drug Substances – Triamcinolone Acetonide [Class 4]).

08/30/20<sup>2</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Juan Hernandez joined the Stewards to review the use of his crop in the third race yesterday. He left the office with a warning. Steward Jauregui voted for a penalty as he believed he violated the rule.

Ruben Fuentes met with the Stewards to review the disqualification of his mount yesterday in the fifth race (ref 08-29-20<sup>6</sup>). After a review and discussion of the race the following ruling was issued upon a unanimous decision on the amount of days applied. This is Mr. Fuentes third set of suspension days in less than sixty days. All agreed it was an aggressive careless ride.

**DMTD RULING #064**

Jockey RUBEN FUENTES, who rode LE TUB in the fifth race at Del Mar Race Track on Saturday, August 29, 2020 is suspended for SEVEN (7) racing days (September 20,25,26,27,October 2,3 and 4, 2020) for altering course without sufficient clearance in the stretch and causing interference resulting in a disqualification of his mount from first to eighth, a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules-Careless Riding – Third Offense in Sixty (60) Days).

08/30/20<sup>3</sup>

**KNAPP HEARING CASE 20DM0031**

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Steve Knapp for violation of rule 1845(d) (Authorized Bleeder Medication). Lasix technician Breanne Kerwin was available to testify by telephone. She stated when she went to treat the second horse that day in his stable to administer the medication, she had a difficult time finding someone to hold the horse. After a phone call, the assistant trainer appeared and stated he was returning from the restroom. Upon Ms. Kerwin's recommendation Mr. Knapp was issued an official warning. There had been no previous incidents of this nature with Mr. Knapp.

08/30/20<sup>4</sup>

**GONZALEZ RECORDED HEARING CASE 18SA0056**

A complaint was filed by the CHRB against groom Hector Gonzalez for violation of CHRB rules 1489 (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License), 1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) and 1874 (3) (Disorderly Conduct).

On February 22, 2018 during a barn search Methamphetamine/Amphetamine was found in a jacket belonging to Mr. Gonzalez. He, Mr. Gonzalez submitted an "iCup" urine sample resulting in a positive test. Mr. Gonzalez was arrested for violation of Health and Safety Code section 11377(a), Penal Code section 472 and Penal Code 602. These charges were later dismissed.

Steward Ron Church filled in to hear the complaint as Steward Jauregui was a witness in 2018. Mr. Gonzalez was in attendance along with CHRB Investigator Angelica Merz who presented the case. Mr. Gonzalez signed a testing agreement and tested negative today. Decision and ruling to follow.

08/30/20<sup>5</sup>

**INQUIRY/NO CHANGE/SIXTH RACE one-mile turf**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident near the 3/8 marker. Involved were #1 Rip City (M. Gutierrez 1<sup>st</sup>) and #7 Strike It Lucky (J. Hernandez 8<sup>th</sup>). #1 shifted out slightly and #7 had to steady, in a unanimous decision the Stewards believed it did not affect the placing of #7.

08/30/20<sup>6</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race #4 Rantanen (Tr. A. Lerner) claimed by Tr. R.B. Hess, Jr. Refund: \$597.07
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #5 Operatic (R.B. Hess, Jr.) claimed by Tr. P. Aguirre. Refund: \$302.50
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #1 Moonlight d'Oro (Tr. R. Mandella) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio  
#5 Gravitron (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Grande.  
Refund: \$2,856.51
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund \$0.00
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund: \$14.00
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund: \$10.50
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Tribal War Chant (Tr. E. Moger) claimed by Tr. J. Bonde. Refund: \$95.80
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund: \$238.70
- 9<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund: \$72.00
- 10<sup>th</sup> Race Will Take a Kiss (Tr. M. Harrington) Veterinarian-unsound-Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund: \$586.04
- 11<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund: \$130.60

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**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	157	\$162,578.86
SCOTWinc	845	\$2,618,690.69
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$11,363,046.60
Total	1,002	\$14,144,316.15

**MONDAY**

08/31/20<sup>1</sup>

**CARAVA DECISION ref 07-24-20<sup>4</sup>**

Mr. Carava was issued a warning pursuant to the violations he was charged with. There were several strong mitigating factors pertaining to the violations listed in the complaint that compelled the decision. That being said, the BOS, Kim Sawyer, Ron Church and David Nuesch, that heard the case felt the penalty was realistic.

08/31/20<sup>2</sup>

**MENDEZ DECISION ref 08-14-20<sup>4</sup>**

After much deliberation the complaint against Mr. Mendez was dismissed due to lack of evidence to charge him with Animal Welfare per CHRB rule 1902.5. Mr. Mendez was informed he needs to use more bedding under a horse that stall walks. Dr. Von Blucher who is one of the prominent practicing veterinarians working at Del Mar when interviewed, testified the horses were in good condition.

08/31/20<sup>3</sup>

**DEL MAR SECURITY VIOLATIONS**

Listed in the following rulings are penalties for various violations that occurred on the backside during the summer meet.

**DMTD Ruling #065**

Hot Walker MARTIN RUVALCABA is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTD Ruling #066**

Pony Rider HELBER DONIS is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTD Ruling #067**

Stable Employee MARTIN RUIZ is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #068**

Exercise Rider MARTIN RUIZ is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #069**

Exercise Rider SALVADOR MORFIN is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #070**

Exercise Rider FRANKIE HERRARTE is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #071**

Groom FELIPE PULIDO is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #072**

Exercise Rider JOSE OROZCO is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #073**

Trainer SEAN McCARTHY is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #074**

Trainer DEAN PEDERSON is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #075**

Exercise Rider ADOLFO RODRIGUEZ is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #076**

Exercise Rider KENNETH BLACK is fined TWENTY DOLLARS (\$20.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #077**

Jockey Valet RICARDO GALINDO is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #078**

Trainer GARY STUTE is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #079**

Exercise Rider CESAR AGUIRRE is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #080**

Groom CIRILO SALAS is fined TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

**DMTC Ruling #081**

Exercise Rider FELIPE GUERRERO is fined THIRTY DOLLARS (\$30.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATION).

08/31/20<sup>4</sup>

**BLACKER RULING**

The following ruling was issued after Mr. Blacker admitted he failed to be upfront with jockey agent Brad Pegram who works for Drayden Van Dyke. The day Mr. Blacker entered the horse in question, he stated his owner John Harris chose to change jockeys. Mr. Pegram was not aware until the draw of the race. Steward Baker dissented, voted for a “Double Jockey Fee”.

**DMTD Ruling #082**

Trainer DAN BLACKER, is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – not honoring a call) on August 29, 2020, at Del Mar Racetrack.

08/31/20<sup>5</sup>

**GONZALEZ ref 08-30-20<sup>4</sup>**

The following ruling was issued after Mr. Gonzalez was informed of his penalty.

**DMTD RULING #083**

Groom HECTOR GONZALEZ, having appeared before the Board of Stewards to answer to a complaint filed by the California Horse Racing Board for violation of rule #1489(7)(8)(Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License), Ruling # 1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) and rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct- Methamphetamine), Ruling LATS #151 issued at Santa Anita Park on April 22, 2018, is set aside.

Furthermore, HECTOR GONZALEZ is suspended for THIRTY (30) DAYS (September 1, 2020 to October 1, 2020) and is ordered to sign a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board, and must be evaluated by the Winners Foundation and comply with any recommendations made by Winners Foundation.

08/31/20<sup>6</sup>

**FUENTES RULING**

Ruben Fuentes met with the Stewards to review the eighth race yesterday. Mr. Fuentes admitted he got over zealous and accepted his penalty listed in the ruling below

**DMTD RULING #084**

Jockey RUBEN FUENTES 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 – third violation within the past 60 day period) during the eighth race at Del Mar Race Track on August 30, 2020.

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**MULLINS RULING**

The following ruling was issued after an informal hearing with Mr. Mullins. The Stewards received four security citations issued to him for improperly parking in the Surf and Turf trailer park across the street which is considered to be race track premises. Mr. Mullins explained he has issues in his feet and since he chose to put a fence up around his trailer, he has nowhere to park his truck that is not in the way. He was instructed he needs to find a remedy through management and not ignore the citations of which one directed him to see the Stewards on August 24, 2020.

**DMTD RULING #085**

Trainer JEFF MULLINS is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule#1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – PARKING VIOLATIONS).

08/31/20<sup>8</sup>

**CALLAGHAN RULING**

The following ruling was issued after Mr. Callaghan met with the Stewards to discuss his face mask hanging around his neck most of the time. He accepted responsibility and the penalty.

**DMTD RULING #086**

Trainer SIMON CALLAGHAN is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1437 (Condition of a Race Meeting - failure to properly wear face mask) at Del Mar Racetrack on August 27, 2020.

08/31/20<sup>9</sup>

**INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION/FIRST RACE ¾ dirt**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident inside the 1/16 marker. Involved were #1 Zero Down (M. Gutierrez 5<sup>th</sup>) and #6 Lil Richards Bello (U. Rispoli 2<sup>nd</sup>). After a review of the films and conversation with the Patrol Judge and both jockeys involved in unanimous decision #6 was disqualified from second and placed last behind #1. Inside the sixteenth marker in the middle of a spread of horses, a hole opened and after #1 started to enter that hole, #6 stepped out into the path of #1 which caused him to check his horse.

ORIGINAL ORDER OF FINISH	3-(6)-5-7-1
OFFICIAL ORDER OF FINISH	3-5-7-1-(6)

08/31/20<sup>10</sup>

**STEWARDS' REVIEW/DISQUALIFICATION/SIXTH RACE one-mile turf**

Following the running of the race the Stewards entertained a Stewards' Review that involved #2 Y Not Sizzle (R. Gonzalez 7<sup>th</sup>) and #4 Danceformunny (E. Maldonado 8<sup>th</sup>). Approaching the 3/8 marker #4 on the fence, #2 second out in a four-horse spread, #2 shifted in causing #4 to clip its heels. In a unanimous decision #2 was disqualified from seventh and placed eighth behind #4.

ORIGINAL ORDER OF FINISH	5-11-12-10-1-3-(2)-4-6-8-9
OFFICIAL ORDER OF FINISH	5-11-12-10-1-3-4-(2)-6-8-9

08/31/20<sup>11</sup>

**INQUIRY/ACCIDENT/NO CHANGE 1 1/16 turf**

After the finish of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident approaching the ¼ pole. Involved were #4 Great Power (B. Blanc DNF) and #6 Hammering Lemon (M. Gutierrez 9<sup>th</sup>). In the middle of the final turn, #4 behind horses and inside of #6, appeared to run up on heels and clip a heel of #6 to its outside. #4 fell unseating the jockey, #6 went over the legs of #4 and was then eased to the wire. #4 got up and galloped through the outside collapsible turf rail, was caught and vanned back to its stable with minor lacerations. Jockey Blanc was transported to Scripps La Jolla Hospital for further evaluation. There was no change in the order of finish.

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**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	#2 Secret Club (Tr. S. McCarthy) Veterinarian-Sick-Dr. Pattio #4 Tallemark (Tr. B. Headley) Steward-late gelding report. Refund \$:1,873.42
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund: \$3,169.99
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#2 Impression (Tr. B. Spawr) claimed by Tr. P. Miller #5 Plum Dandy (Tr. S. Gonzalez) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio #7 Lead Star (Tr. J. Wallace) E. Maldonado replaced A. Delgadillo (office error) Refund: \$3,514.44
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund: \$958.50
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	Refund: \$0.00
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	Refund: \$106.50
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	Refund: \$39.00

8<sup>th</sup> Race Refund: \$20.00  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Caught in a Trappe (Tr. V. Brinkerhoff) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Bohannon  
 Refund: \$610.17

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**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	107	\$77,219.56
SCOTWinc	523	\$1,028,329.04
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,785,219.12
Total	630	\$8,890,767.72

**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 8/24/20 TO 8/30/20**

Horses on Vet List 11  
 Horses off Vet List 15  
 Shock Wave Therapy 3  
 Fatalities 2  
 Medication 0  
 Claims Voided 1

**SUMMARY**

	No Racing	Fri 08/28	Sat 8/29	Sun 8/30	Mon 8/31	Week	Meet
<b>Accidents</b>		0	0	0	1	1	1
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>		0	0	0	3	3	54
<b>Claims</b>		8	3	3	6	20	100
<b>Disqualifications</b>		0	1	0	2	3	13
<b>Inquiries</b>		1	1	1	2	5	21
<b>Refunds</b>		9	9	10	8	36	187
<b>Rulings</b>		3	4	19	5	31	86
<b>Voided Claims</b>		0	1	0	0	1	8

Respectfully submitted,

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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Grant Baker, Steward

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Ron Church, Safety Steward