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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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Report for the Week of Wednesday, November 27, 2019 through Sunday, December 1, 2019

WEDNESDAY11/27/19¹**ENTRIES & SCRATCHES**

Steward **Dennis Nevin** was in attendance for Saturday's entries and Friday's scratches on this non-racing day.

THURSDAY11/28/19¹**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey **Luis Reyes**, a recent arrival from the east coast, viewed the tapes of Sunday's fifth race where he lodged an unsuccessful claim of foul. The Stewards were seeking **Reyes'** explanation about how and when he suffered interference. **Reyes** pointed out where the incident occurred, but the available camera angles failed to document any interference.

11/28/19²**EARLY DECLARATIONS**

3RD Race: #1 **Private Kitty** (Tr. **Efrain Miranda**) Vet – Sick - Dr. Sporer - Refund \$ 60,174.10
 7TH Race: 7# **Dubby Dubbie** (Tr. **R. B. Hess Jr.**) Vet - Injured – Dr. Sporer - Refund \$ 1,446.29
 8TH Race: #1 **Moscato Girl** (Tr. **Bill McLean**) Vet - Injured - Dr. Sporer - Refund \$ 552.85

11/28/19³**LATE SCRATCH – THIRD RACE – REFUND**

#4 **Only The Facts**, trained by **Gloria Haley**, was scratched on the recommendation of track veterinarian **Sara Sporer** after the filly broke through the front of the starting gate and injured herself. On Vet's list. The refund amounted to \$ 60,174.10.

11/28/19⁴**STEWARDS INQUIRY – SEVENTH RACE – NO CHANGE**

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign to evaluate contact between the first and second place finishers in late stretch. The winner, #4 **Harmon** ridden by **Julien Couton**, and the runner-up,

#7 **Arch Prince** with **Bryan Pena** in the saddle, made contact just before the wire. After a thorough review the Stewards determined the contact was mutual as **Harmon** stepped out at the same time that **Arch Prince** stepped in. Since the onus could be distributed equally between the two no change in the placings was warranted.

11/28/19⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

NCOT	918	\$ 291,704.84
GG	1,011	\$ 177,607.90
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 1,442,088.94
TOTAL	1,929	\$ 1,911,401.68

FRIDAY

11/29/19¹

EARLY DECLARATIONS:

- 4TH Race: #2 **Fantastic Secret** (Tr. **Felix Rondon**) Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer - \$ 198.04
- 5TH Race: #2 **Encountress** (Tr. **Kelly Castaneda**) Vet - Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 493.32
- 6TH Race: #3 **Live It Well** (Tr. **Isidro Tamayo**) Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 534.23
- 7TH Race: #1 **Stradari** (Tr. **O.J. Jauregui**) Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 1,549.05
- #3 **Say Yes Sally** (Tr. **Efrain Miranda**) Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund See Above
- #9 **Misirlou** – (Tr. **Steve Specht**) Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund See Above

11/29/19²

MORALES HEARING (CASE # 19GG0133)

A formal hearing was conducted for mutual employee **Antonio Morales** into a complaint filed by California Horse Racing Board investigator **Mike Alford**. **Morales** was charged with violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1969 (Wagering Prohibited), #1489 (a) (6) & (b) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and #1900 (Grounds For Suspension or Revocation). The complaint alleged that... “**Morales** made several betting transactions at his station, then canceling them prior to the start of the races. This in essence manipulated the betting odds. On one of the races, he was unable to retract the bet and now owes **NCOTWINC** approximately \$900.00”. **Morales** pled guilty to the charges. The Stewards took the matter under submission and will render a decision in the near future.

11/29/19³

PROBLEM FREE

The afternoon’s post-holiday eight race card was completed without noteworthy incident.

11/29/19⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

NCOT	1,556	\$ 668,881.68
GG	984	\$ 260,413.70
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 1,149,367.42
TOTAL	2,540	\$2,078,662.80

SATURDAY

11/30/19¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey **Cristobal Herrera** appeared to review yesterday’s fifth race where his use of the crop bordered on a possible violation. **Herrera** was able to demonstrate that he was only flagging the horse between strikes and was exonerated.

11/30/19²

EARLY DECLARATIONS:

- 2ND Race: #4 **Super Tony** (Tr. **Reid France**) Vet – Sick - Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 317.88
- 5TH Race: #2 **Monceros** (Tr. **Robert Lucas**) Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 94.28
- 6TH Race: #1 **Biscottini** (Tr. **Rene Amescua**) Stewards – Full Field – Refund \$ 10,685.29
- 8TH Race: #7 **Majestic Eagle** (Tr. **Neil Drysdale**) Stewards – Stakes Race – Refund \$ 285.14
- 9TH Race: #1 **Tomasino** (Tr. **Jesus Ramos**) Vet – Injured – Dr. Christin – Refund \$ 568.35
- #5 **Older Brother** (Tr. **Robert Lucas**) Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund See Above

11/30/19³ **LATE SCRATCH – SIXTH RACE – REFUND**

#5 **Desert Fog**, trained by **D. Wayne Baker**, was scratched on the recommendation of Track Veterinarian Sara Sporer D.V.M. after the filly flipped in the gate and injured herself. On Vet's list. The refund totaled \$ 10,685.29.

11/30/19⁴ **SEVENTH RACE – NEAR ACCIDENT**

#6 **Smileforme** ridden by **Silvio Amador**, propped/shifted shortly after the start of the 5½ furlong sprint and horse and rider nearly became separated.

The horse's actions caused **Amador** to lose his balance, his right stirrup and almost his entire contact with the horse. **Amador's** right leg was on the left side of the horse while he hung on with the mane and the reins with only his left foot in the stirrup. After a few strides **Amador** was able to get his right leg over the rump and regained the saddle. He later kicked his left foot free of the irons and rode semi bare back to the wire without incident. Neither horse nor rider suffered any ill effects.

11/30/19⁵ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	1,985	\$ 886,394.72
GG	1,017	\$ 333,769.79
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 1,823,044.23
TOTAL	3,002	\$3,043,208.74

SUNDAY

12/1/19¹

EARLY DECLARATIONS:

5th Race: #6 **Star Racer** (Tr. **Angelo Tekos**) Vet – Injured – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 5,841.04

9th Race: #7 **Rock Slinger** (Tr. **Cliff DeLima**) Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 180.55

12/1/19²

MORALES DECISION (REFER 11-29-19²)

Ruling # 27

Mutuel Employee **Antonio R. Morales** is hereby suspended One Hundred-eighty (180) days and placed on probation for the term of his license (11-30-2021) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule, #1969 (Wagering Prohibited) on September 2, 2019.

For cause the 180-day suspension shall be served retroactively from September 7, 2019 through March 4, 2020. Prior to the reinstatement of his license privileges **Mr. Morales** must make full restitution to **NOTWINC** for all shortages incurred.

During the term of the suspension, all licenses and license privileges of **Antonio R. Morales** are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards) subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The above ruling was released following last Friday's formal hearing. **Morales** admitted to placing wagers on his machine and thereby incurring shortages of almost \$1,000.00. **Morales** explained he was only practicing placing large wagers on his machine.

While the explanation fell short of convincing this panel, the Stewards gave **Morales** some relief in making the suspension days retroactive by starting them in September when he was relieved of his duties by Mutuel Manager **Doug Gooby** pending the outcome of this hearing.

12/1/19³

TRAINER OBJECTION – FOURTH RACE – NO CHANGE

Trainer **Gary Greiner** who started the sixth placed finisher #2 **Gee Street**, lodged an objection against the fourth placed horse, #1 **Miss Boisterous**, alleging interference at the start. After a thorough review the Stewards dismissed the objection. Tapes showed that **Gee Street** left the starting gate poorly, but the problems were not caused by **Miss Boisterous** or any other horse. **Gee Street** broke in a tangle and Jockey **Bryan Pence** had to restrain her to gain control.

12/1/19⁴**LATE SCRATCH – FIFTH RACE – REFUND**

#3 **Sensational Rocket** unseated Jockey **Catalino Martinez** as the field was leaving the paddock and got loose for a few strides. While free the horse bumped into and straddled the outside gap rail to the winner's circle and ended up getting all the way into the winner circle enclosure. Since the horse left the course the Stewards activated the scratch. **Sensational Rocket** received some scrapes on her underside but was otherwise in good shape. The refund amounted to \$ 5,841.04.

12/1/19⁵**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	1,510	\$ 531,485.35
GG	1,281	\$ 303,205.56
OUT of STATE	n/a	\$ 1,820,125.80
TOTAL	2,791	\$ 2,654,816.71

SUMMARY

	Thurs 11/28	Fri 11/29	Sat 11/30	Sun 12/1	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	5
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	1	1	2	4
Claims	0	2	1	0	3	42
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	5
Inquiries	1	0	0	1	2	18
Refunds	7	6	8	6	27	152
Rulings	0	0	0	1	1	27
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	13

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
28-Nov.	3	1	Private Kitty	E. Miranda	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$ 60,174.10
28-Nov.	7	7	Dubby Dubbie	R.B. Hess	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$ 1,446.29
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29-Nov.	7	3	Say Yes Sally	E. Miranda	Sick	Dr. Sporer	See Above
29-Nov.	7	9	Misirlou	S. Specht	Sick	Dr. Sporer	See Above
30-Nov.	2	4	Super Tony	R. France	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$ 317.88
30-Nov.	5	2	Monceros	R. Lucas	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$ 94.28
30-Nov.	9	1	Tomasino	J. Ramos	Injured	Dr. Christin	\$ 568.35
30-Nov.	9	5	Older Brother	R. Lucas	Sick	Dr. Sporer	See Above
1-Dec.	5	6	Star Racer	A. Tekos	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$ 5,841.04
1-Dec.	9	7	Rock Slinger	C. DeLima	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$ 180.55

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