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Report of the Board of Stewards

To the California Horse Racing Board

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Report for the period Wednesday, February 11, 2009 through Monday, February 16, 2009.

Wednesday02-11-09¹ **JULIO P. ENCISO** (08BM141)

A formal hearing was held for **JULIO P. ENCISO**, who has been charged with alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1890 (Possession of Contraband), #1505 (Qualifications for License as Horse Owner) and #1530 (Cases not Covered by Rules and Regulations).

Mr. Enciso is licensed as an equine dentist, veterinarian assistant and owner and was represented by attorney **James Ghidella**.

Present, in addition to stewards John Herbuveaux, Darrel McHargue and Dennis Nevin, were CHRB supervising investigator Anne Glasscock, who presented the case and CHRB investigator Barbara Chimero. Certified Shorthand Reporter Christine Niccoli recorded the proceedings.

The stewards will consider the evidence and testimony presented and render their decision in a timely manner.

Thursday02-12-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred race for four year olds and older, claiming price \$14,000 to \$16,000, failed to fill.

02-12-09² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

2 nd race:	#2 RIVER ISLAND HONEY (Tr. Doug Utley)	injured
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$ 699.00
5 th race:	#5 DUMAANI CAME HOME (Tr. A. L. Diaz)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$ 631.80

6th race: #2 TEST PILOT (Tr. Barbara Heads) ran off in post parade
Track Veterinarian Heather Kerr REFUND: \$14,868.86

02-12-09³ **FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice jockey **Michael Martinez** met with the stewards for a review of the second race from Sunday, February 8, 2009.

The young rider was cautioned about allowing his mounts to drift when entering the stretch as he did in the race in question. The incident did not warrant a sanction, but a stern warning was issued.

02-12-09⁴ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,423	\$	385,212.60
NCOT	2,506	\$	803,671.80
SCOT		\$	391,412.40
Out of State		\$	1,197,475.44
TOTAL	3,929	\$	2,777,772.24

Friday

02-13-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred race for four year olds and older, claiming price \$5,000, failed to fill.

02-13-09² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

3rd race: #4 GRACIE'S NATIVE (Tr. Lloyd Mason) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$1,228.00

6th race: #1 XIQUINQUIRA (Tr. Keith Craigmyle) unsound
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 80.80

02-13-09³ **RULING NO. 30 – ORTIZ**

Exercise Rider **AMBROSIO ORTIZ** is fined the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations) for failure to follow the outriders' instructions during training hours on Friday, February 13, 2009.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Mr. Ortiz and the morning outriders (Nancy Barney and Bob Anderson) met with the stewards.

The outriders complained about Mr. Ortiz failing to follow morning workout procedures. Mr. Ortiz agreed to be more cooperative and accepts the penalty imposed.

02-13-09⁴ **INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION – Second Race**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign following the second race for a review of two separate incidents.

The first issue involved #4 LATIN MINUTEMAN failing to break with the field at the start. After reviewing the tapes, the stewards determined the starting gate functioned properly and the four year old gelding simply refused.

LATIN MINUTEMAN (Tr. Ellen Jackson) will be placed on the steward's and starter's lists.

The second incident occurred in the stretch and involved #3 BEAR MOUNTAIN (Juan Ochoa) third, #2 MIAMI HOUSE (Michael Martinez) second and #1 MOTORBOAT (Russell Baze) fourth.

After interviewing the riders and reviewing the tapes, the stewards decided unanimously to disqualify #3 BEAR MOUNTAIN from third to fourth.

The tapes show #3 BEAR MOUNTAIN bears in from a right handed whip near the 1/8 pole and impedes both #2 MIAMI HOUSE and #1 MOTORBOAT.

02-13-09⁵ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,138	\$ 351,672.80
NCOT	2,641	\$ 913,584.80
SCOT		\$ 511,496.50
Out of State		\$1,742,554.46
TOTAL	3,779	\$3,519,308.56

Saturday

02-14-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred race for fillies and mares, four years old and older, claiming price \$5,000, failed to fill.

02-14-09² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

4th race: #2 NORM'S NEPHEW (Tr. Dan Markle) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 231.00

02-14-09³ **RULING NO. 31 – OCHOA**

Jockey **JUAN OCHOA**, who rode **BEAR MOUNTAIN** in the second race at Golden Gate Fields on Friday, February 13, 2009, is suspended three (3) racing days (February 21, 22 and 26, 2009) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch resulting in the disqualification of his mount from third to fourth; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules – careless riding).

The term of this suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California.

The preceding ruling was issued after Mr. Ochoa and the stewards reviewed the tape of the second race from Friday, February 13, 2009.

Mr. Ochoa acknowledged he was responsible for the interference caused by his mount and accepts the penalty imposed.

02-14-09⁴ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	4,012	\$ 765,324.00
NCOT	3,837	\$1,514,353.00
SCOT		\$ 967,751.90
Out of State		\$2,161,856.00
TOTAL	7,849	\$5,409,284.90

Sunday

02-15-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred race for fillies and mares, four years old and older, claiming price \$5,000, failed to fill.

02-15-09² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

4 th race: #14 BLUE MIDNIGHT Stewards	(Tr. Kent Molinaro)	also eligible REFUND: \$ 44.90
5 th race: #7 NOT SO PLAIN JANE Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	(Tr. Paul G. Aguirre)	sick REFUND: \$ 992.60
6 th race: #10 SEEKING THE WINS Stewards	(Tr. Michael Lenzini)	enter back REFUND: \$ 139.20
#14 HONOR GULCH Stewards	(Tr. Tim Bellasis)	also eligible REFUND: \$ 58.80
7 th race: #7 SIERRA ECHO Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	(Tr. Greg James)	sick REFUND: \$1,009.20

02-15-09³ **RULING NO. 32 - ALFARO**

Groom **HERIBERTO S. ALFARO** is fined the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for failure to follow stable area fire regulations; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1928 (Fire Regulations) on February 23, 2009.

The above ruling was issued following a complaint by Golden Gate Fields security for a tack room violation.

02-15-09⁴ **RULING NO. 33 – GOMEZ**

Jockey **EULICES GOMEZ** is fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for failure to ride his mount in the fourth race on Saturday, February 14, 2009; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement).

The foregoing ruling was issued as Mr. Gomez failed to fulfill his riding engagement. He apologized and accepted the penalty.

02-15-09⁵ **RULING NO. 34 – MARTINEZ**

Jockey **CATALINO MARTINEZ**, who rode **VESTED ALLIANCE** in the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on February 14, 2009, is suspended five (5) racing days (February 22, 26, 27, 28 and March 1, 2009) for altering course without sufficient clearance in the stretch and causing interference; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules - careless riding).

The preceding ruling was issued after Mr. Martinez and the stewards reviewed the tape of the seventh race from February 14, 2009.

Mr. Martinez acknowledged he erred in attempting to pass a rival without being clear and causing another rider to take up sharply.

02-15-09⁶ **RULING NO. 35 - ENCISO**

Owner, Equine Dentist and Veterinarian Assistant **JULIO P. ENCISO** is suspended thirty (30) days, February 18 through March 19, 2009, for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1890 (Possession of Contraband – needles, syringes and controlled substances) on April 17, 2008.

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of

Julio P. Enciso 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 foregoing ruling was issued after the stewards considered all the evidence and testimony presented at the formal hearing held on February 11, 2009.

Mr. Enciso's truck was subjected to a routine search inside the Golden Gate Fields' stable area during the off season on April 17, 2008.

The search revealed four bottles of injectable liquids and numerous needles and syringes.

Mr. Enciso testified he was only on the grounds to pick up an associate to assist him in doing work on a private ranch.

02-15-09⁷ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	3,332	\$ 610,057.00
NCOT	3,191	\$1,067,745.60
SCOT		\$ 805,136.10
Out of State		\$1,755,817.00
TOTAL	6,523	\$4,238,755.70

Monday

02-16-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred race for three year olds, claiming price \$7,000 - \$8,000, one mile, failed to fill.

02-16-09² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

3 rd race:	#6 MARRY ME DOC	(Tr. Armando Lage)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 240.00
4 th race:	#6 LA PETRA	(Tr. Kent Molinaro)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 584.00
5 th race:	#5 NARLEY DARLEY	(Tr. Steve Miyadi)	injured
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 541.10
9 th race:	#6 POWER STATION	(Tr. Gloria Buckridge)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 106.00

02-16-09³ **RULING NO. 36 – CASTILLO**

Jockey **PABLO CASTILLO** is fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for misuse of the whip in the fifth race on Saturday, February 14, 2009; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Whips).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Castillo appeared and was apologetic for using the whip on his well beaten mount (SPECIFIC OCEAN) in the fifth race on Saturday, February 14, 2009.

02-16-09⁴ **INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION – Ninth Race**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign following the ninth race for a review of an incident approaching the 1/8 pole involving #2 SOUND'O GLORY (Roberto Gonzalez) first, #5 EASTER CANDY (Adan Landeros) second and #7 RIVER LORD (Michael Martinez) third.

After a thorough review, the stewards decided unanimously to disqualify #2 SOUND'O GLORY from first to third for drifting out and impeding #5 EASTER CANDY and #7 RIVER LORD.

Original Order of Finish: **(2)** – 5 – 7 – 4 – 3 – 1
 Official Order of Finish: 5 – 7 – **(2)** – 4 – 3 – 1

02-16-09⁵ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	3,270	\$ 708,736.80
NCOT	3,285	\$1,140,827.50
SCOT		\$ 658,422.60
Out of State		\$1,288,257.86
TOTAL	6,555	\$3,796,244.46

W E E K L Y S U M M A R Y

ATTENDANCE REPORT – The full Board of Stewards was in attendance each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
12-Feb	2	2	RIVER ISLAND HONEY	Utley	injured	Isbell	\$699.00
	5	5	DUMAANI CAME HOME	Diaz	sick	Isbell	\$631.80
	6	2	TEST PILOT	Heads	injured/post parade	Kerr	\$14,868.86
13-Feb	3	4	GRACIE'S NATIVE	Mason	sick	Isbell	\$1,228.00
	6	1	XIQUINQUIRA	Craigmyle	unsound	Isbell	\$80.80
14-Feb	4	1	NORM'S NEPHEW	Markle	sick	Isbell	\$231.00
15-Feb	5	7	NOT SO PLAIN JANE	Aguirre	sick	Isbell	\$992.60
	7	7	SIERRA ECHO	James	sick	Isbell	\$1,009.20
16-Feb	3	6	MARRY ME DOC	Lage	sick	Isbell	\$240.00
	4	6	LA PETRA	Molinaro	sick	Isbell	\$584.00
	5	5	NARLEY DARLEY	Miyadi	injured	Isbell	\$541.10
	9	6	POWER STATION	Buckridge	sick	Isbell	\$106.00

VETERINARY REPORT

Euthanized / Died

- None reported -

Veterinarian's List

There were sixteen (16) horses placed on the Vet's List:

- Sick: 8
- Injured: 3
- Unsound: 4
- Medication: 1

There were eight (8) horses removed from the Vet's List:

- Sick: 3
- Injured: 3
- Unsound: 2
- Bled: 0

Shockwave Therapy: There were three (3) shockwave therapy treatments reported.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	0	\$	-
Bakersfield	542	\$	195,440.20
Eureka	96	\$	61,576.40
Fresno	515	\$	173,621.10
Fresno Club One	141	\$	76,254.20
Monterey	502	\$	173,828.50
Pleasanton	2425	\$	886,361.90
Sacramento	1783	\$	619,072.70
San Jose	2459	\$	732,592.60
San Mateo	4374	\$	1,835,629.00
Santa Rosa	1096	\$	276,462.80
Stockton	1392	\$	401,621.30
Tulare	341	\$	84,099.10
Turlock	657	\$	206,398.40
Vallejo	1052	\$	337,257.50
So. California		\$	3,334,219.20
Out of State		\$	7,942,891.56

	12- Feb	13- Feb	14- Feb	15- Feb	16- Feb	WEEK	Meet
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
CLAIMS	2	9	1	2	0	14	71
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	1	0	0	1	2	3
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	0	1	0	0	1	2	10
REFUNDS	3	2	1	5	4	15	115
RULINGS	0	1	1	4	1	7	36

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Nevin, Steward

John B. Herbuveaux, Steward

Darrel McHargue, Steward