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 Golden Gate Fields
 Albany, California

Report of the Board of Stewards
To the California Horse Racing Board

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Report for the period Thursday, December 17, 2009 through Sunday, December 20, 2009.

Thursday

12-17-09¹

CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race for maidens, three years old and older, claiming price \$12,500, one mile, failed to fill.

12-17-09²

DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS

4 th race: #1 CHESTNUT TOUCH	(Tr. Greg Gilchrist)	sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 865.64
5 th race: #8 MORAL VICTORY	(Tr. Steve Miyadi)	sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$1,491.90

12-17-09³

INQUIRY – NO CHANGE – Second Race

The stewards posted the inquiry sign following the second race for a review of an incident near the 3/8 pole.

The tapes show #7 MARK OF A PIRATE (4th, Hector Romero) drifts in and impedes #5 CAVANAUGH (1st, Russell Baze) causing he latter to take up sharply.

After considering the patrol judge's report, interviewing the riders involved and reviewing the tapes, the original order of finish was made official as #5 CAVANAUGH went on to beat #7 MARK OF A PIRATE.

12-17-09⁴

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

GGF	1,118	\$ 275,533.40
NCOT	2,247	\$ 616,971.70
SCOT		\$ 471,283.10
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$1,412,197.56</u>
TOTAL	3,365	\$2,775,985.76

Friday12-18-09¹**CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred race for maiden fillies and mares, three year olds and older, one mile, claiming price \$12,500, failed to fill.

12-18-09²**DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

3 rd race: #3 NERICON KING (Aus)	(Tr. Leonard Powell)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$ 166.00
#5 YACHT SPOTTER	(Tr. Frank Lucarelli)	off turf
Stewards		REFUND: \$ 365.30

With the above declarations the field was reduced to four wagering interests and in compliance with CHRB rule #1954 (Pari-mutuel Pools) show wagering was canceled resulting in an additional \$18.00 refund.

5 th race: #7 NAT THE BRAT	(Tr. Mark Walker)	untreated lasix horse
	Official Veterinarian Joan Hurley	REFUND: \$1,891.16

7 th race: #4 GREY ALYCATT	(Tr. Alex Paszkeicz)	off turf
	Stewards	REFUND: \$ 208.00
#6 TACO WILLY	(Tr. Gloria Buckridge)	off turf
Stewards		REFUND: \$ 488.80

12-18-09³**RULING NO. 27 – ROMERO**

Jockey **HECTOR ROMERO**, who rode **MARK OF A PIRATE** in the second race at Golden Gate Fields on Thursday, December 17, 2009, is suspended three (3) racing days (December 27, 28, and 29, 2009) for altering course without sufficient clearance around the far turn and causing interference; 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 foregoing ruling was issued after Mr. Romero and the stewards reviewed the second race from December 17, 2009.

Mr. Romero acknowledged he erred by allowing his mount to cross over and cause interference near the 3/8 pole.

12-18-09⁴**TRAINER REQUEST**

Trainer **RON WALLACE** requested assistance from the stewards in unraveling a questionable horse sale.

Mr. Wallace alleges he paid owner/trainer **STACY L. YOUNG** one thousand dollars as a down payment for two horses which, as it turns out, she did not own. The registered owner of the two horses (MAN'S IN BLACK and EXCLUSIVE FACTS) is **JOSEPH GUY VACHON** and he wants his horses.

Mr. Wallace alleges he is out roughly \$5,032.00 and he is caring for two horses he does not own.

CHRB senior investigator Charles Smith was present for this discussion and was advised to start an investigation and accept a detailed complaint from Mr. Wallace.

More to come.

12-18-09 ⁵	ATTENDANCE & HANDLE		
	GGF	1,095	\$ 229,232.60
	NCOT	2,103	\$ 600,245.30
	SCOT		\$ 420,075.70
	<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$1,273,931.35</u>
	TOTAL	3,198	\$2,523,484.95

Saturday12-19-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred race for fillies and mares, three years old and older, claiming price \$9,000 – \$10,000, six furlongs, failed to fill.

12-19-09² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

1 st race:	#8 FIRST COMMITMENT	(Tr. Gary Eickerman)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian	Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$ 92.06
4 th race:	#7 SHADAROCKEM	(Tr. William Delia)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian	Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$ 299.20
9 th race:	#6 ACTION GAL	(Tr. Mike Machowsky)	injured
	Examining Veterinarian	Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$ 701.77

12-19-09³ **RULING NO. 28 – BAZE**

Jockey **RUSSELL BAZE** is fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Whips) during the running of the fourth race on Friday, December 18, 2009.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Mr. Baze appeared as requested and acknowledged he was wrong when he struck his mount (#4 GRILLN N CHILLN) across the ear near the finish.

12-19-09⁴ **INQUIRY – NO CHANGE – Fourth Race**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign following the fourth race at the request of jockey Julien Couton (3rd, #1 LUCKY BET) who lodged a claim of foul against #5 GOOD NEWSMAN (2nd, Michael Martinez), alleging interference approaching the wire.

After considering the patrol judge's report, interviewing the riders involved and reviewing the tapes, the stewards decided unanimously that the incident near the finish had no bearing on the outcome.

The tapes show the two horses get together, with a difference of opinion as to who initiated the contact, regardless, the order of finish was not affected.

12-19-09 ⁵	ATTENDANCE & HANDLE		
	GGF	2,790	\$ 482,380.30
	NCOT	3,200	\$1,057,957.30
	SCOT		\$ 715,903.00
	<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$1,683,386.20</u>
	TOTAL	5,990	\$3,939,626.80

Sunday12-20-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

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

12-20-09² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

3 rd race:	#7 SAN CHRISTOBAL (Tr. Bud Klokstad)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$ 740.10
5 th race:	#2 KLEVEN'S VERBATIM (Tr. Donna Elordi)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$ 665.00
	#6 QUAN'S GIRL (Tr. R. B. Hess)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$ 992.70

12-20-09³ **RULING NO. 29 – STEUERNAGEL** (09GG347)

Owner **UWE STEUERNAGEL (d.b.a. NIEDERAD, INC.)** having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Golden Gate Fields on or before Saturday, December 19, 2009, to answer charges of alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility), is hereby suspended pending appearance before the Board of Stewards for violation of CHRB rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of UWE STEUERNAGEL 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 issued after UWE STEUERNAGEL failed to appear for a scheduled hearing regarding a financial complaint filed by Kim Kuhlman, D.V.M. (d.b.a. – **San Francisco Equine**).

The complaint alleges an overdue bill totaling \$2,361.00 for veterinary services.

12-20-09⁴ **FILM REVIEW**

Jockey **Michael Martinez** and the stewards reviewed the tapes of the fourth race from December 19, 2009.

Mr. Martinez was warned about maintaining a straight course.

12-20-09⁵ **INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION – Second Race**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign following the second race for a review of an incident in the stretch involving #4 **SARAH GOT EVEN** (1st, **Barrington Harvey**) and #8 JANE N ALI (2nd, Michael Martinez).

After reviewing the tapes, considering the patrol judge's report and interviewing the riders involved, the stewards decided unanimously to disqualify #4 SARAH GOT EVEN from first to second for interference in the last 1/16 mile.

The tapes show #4 SARAH GOT EVEN drifts out under left handed whipping throughout the last 1/16 mile, forcing #8 JANE N ALI to steady and alter course, lose ground and the opportunity of better placing.

12-20-09⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	2,878	\$ 517,244.30
NCOT	2,857	\$ 933,433.60
SCOT		\$ 764,076.70
Out of State		\$1,486,012.26
TOTAL	5,735	\$3,700,766.86

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

ATTENDANCE REPORT – The full Board of Stewards was in attendance each racing 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
17-Dec	4	1	CHESTNUT TOUCH	Gilchrist	sick	Isbell	\$865.64
	5	8	MORAL VICTORY	Miyadi	sick	Isbell	\$1,491.90
18-Dec	3	3	NERICON KING (Aus)	Powell	sick	Isbell	\$166.00
	5	7	NAT THE BRAT	Walker	untreated lasix	Hurley	\$1,891.16
19-Dec	1	8	FIRST COMMITMENT	Eickerman	sick	Isbell	\$92.06
	4	7	SHADAROCKEM	Delia	sick	Isbell	\$299.20
	9	6	ACTION GAL	Machowsky	injured	Isbell	\$701.77
20-Dec	3	7	SAN CHRISTOBAL	Klokstad	sick	Isbell	\$740.10
	5	2	KLEVEN'S VERBATIM	Elordi	sick	Isbell	\$665.00
		6	QUAN'S GIRL	Hess	sick	Isbell	\$992.70

VETERINARY REPORT**Euthanized / Died**

12-19-09 Axel Foley (Tr. Peter Miller) left front comminuted condylar fracture; Tapeta, racing (12-17-09)

Veterinarian's List

There were eleven (11) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 8
Injured: 1
Unsound: 2
Bled: 0

There were five (5) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 2
Injured: 2
Unsound: 1
Bled: 0

Shockwave Therapy: There were two (2) shockwave therapy treatments reported.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	125	\$35,221.10
Bakersfield	319	\$75,641.30
Fresno	244	\$82,121.70
Fresno Club One	107	\$60,411.00
Monterey	281	\$88,354.70
Pleasanton	1619	\$546,197.00
Sacramento	1225	\$323,943.50
San Jose	1700	\$465,444.40
San Mateo	3008	\$1,076,875.00
Santa Rosa	734	\$148,360.50
Stockton	936	\$253,607.50
Tulare	187	\$40,433.90
Turlock	435	\$105,922.70
Vallejo	699	\$206,121.90
So. California		\$2,371,338.50
Out of State		\$5,855,527.37

	17-Dec	18-Dec	19-Dec	20-Dec	WEEK	Meet
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0	0	5
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	2
CLAIMS	2	1	1	0	4	67
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	0	1	1	8
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	1	0	1	1	3	21
REFUNDS	2	5	3	3	13	131
RULINGS	0	1	1	1	3	29

END OF MEETING SUMMARY - 42 racing days

Anderson	1,218	\$307,561.20	San Jose	16,807	\$4,421,187.40
Bakersfield	3,524	\$909,583.30	San Mateo	29,625	\$10,998,937.90
Eureka	0	\$0.00	Santa Rosa	7,139	\$1,782,663.20
Fresno	2,630	\$917,221.90	Stockton	9,012	\$2,491,518.10
Fresno One Club	1,094	\$557,245.80	Tulare	1,947	\$495,366.40
Monterey	2,842	\$876,791.40	Turlock	4,235	\$1,271,971.00
Pleasanton	15,614	\$6,029,061.00	Vallejo	6,872	\$2,038,587.60
Sacramento	12,284	\$3,721,653.50	Out of State		\$62,018,083.49
			So. California		\$22,793,932.60

Off Track Totals	(42) racing days
Attendance & Handle	114,843 \$121,631,365.79

On Track Totals	
Attendance & Handle	90,856 \$17,259,602.40

TOTAL	205,699	\$138,890,968.19
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Average Daily Attendance	
Golden Gate Fields	2,163
Average Daily Handle	
Golden Gate Fields	\$410,942.91
Per Capita GGF	\$189.97
Claims Total -67-	\$746,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Nevin, Steward

John B. Herbeveux, Steward

Darrel McHargue, Steward