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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, May 29, 2014 through Sunday, May 31, 2014.

Thursday05-29-14¹**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward Darrel McHargue was present to supervise entries and declarations.

Friday05-30-14¹**CAL - BRED REPORT**

The Cal-bred race for three year olds, claiming \$30,000-\$32,000., one mile, failed to fill.

05-30-14²**DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

| | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|------------|--------|
| 3 rd race: #6 LIL ANGELINA | (Tr. William J. Morey) | sick | |
| | Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell | REFUND: \$ | 514.16 |
| 4 th race: #3 FRENCH ALPS | (Tr. R.B. Hess) | sick | |
| | Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell | REFUND: \$ | 324.50 |
| 5 th race: #5 SAINT TERRELL | (Tr. Jeff Bonde) | sick | |
| | Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell | REFUND: \$ | 252.70 |
| 7 th race: #8 EL ANEJO | (Tr. Efrain Miranda) | sick | |
| | Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell | REFUND: \$ | 70.10 |
| 8 th race: #11 WONSKI | (Tr. Alex Paszkeicz) | sick | |
| | Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell | REFUND: \$ | 146.62 |

05-30-14³**APPRENTICE EXTENSION**

Apprentice Jockey Juan E. Sanchez is being granted a twenty seven (27) day extension due to an injury. The extension begins June 1, 2014 and will conclude at the end of the day June 27, 2014.

05-30-14⁴**ARNOLD TORRES (14GG0046)**

A formal hearing was held for trainer Arnold Torres, who has been charged with employing an unlicensed groom and possession of contraband. Certified Shorthand Reporter Janine Gamble recorded the proceedings.

A search of Mr. Torres' office uncovered an outdated bottle of Flunixin (Banamine) And two hypodermic needles.

Mr. Torres' explanation was that the items were left over from a previous occupant. California Horse Racing Board Investigator Louis Quezada, who presented the case, noted that the contraband was dusty, dirty and on a very high shelf that was also dusty and dirty. Decision forthcoming.

05-30-14⁵**RULING #77 – NATALIE JENNINGS (14GG0050)**

Pony Person/Association Employee **NATALIE ANN JENNINGS**, Is hereby suspended thirty (30) days, May 30 through June 28, 2014, and placed on probation for the term of her license (06-30-16) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct; Use of controlled substances – Amphetamine/Methamphetamine and Marijuana) on May 2, 2014.

Prior to re-instatement of her license privileges NATALIE ANN JENNINGS must submit to an evaluation by the Winners Foundation and abide by any recommendations from that organization. As a condition of probation NATALIE ANN JENNINGS must comply with the terms of a signed test agreement with the CHRB.

The above ruling was issued following the hearing held on May 25, 2014.

05-30-14⁶**RULING #78 – LORENZO V. OCHOA (14GG0049)**

Owner/Exercise Rider **LORENZO VITAL OCHOA**, is hereby suspended for the term of his license, May 31, 2015 pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) for violation of CHRB rules #1489 (a) & (h) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License – Felony conviction for possession of cocaine), #1874 (Disorderly Conduct; use and possession of controlled substances – Amphetamine/Methamphetamine) and #1890 (Possession of Contraband) on May 2, 2014.

The above ruling was issued following the hearing held on May 25, 2014.

05-30-14⁷**HECTOR R. MEJIA (14GG0048) & ISABEL S. PEREZ (14GG0047)**

A joint hearing was held for grooms Hector R. Mejia and Isabel S. Perez, who have been charged with intoxication. In addition, Mr. Mejia was charged with being disruptive and argumentative. Both individuals acknowledged their guilt and vowed not to repeat their actions. Decision forthcoming.

05-30-14⁸**NASAL STRIP MEETING (REFER 05-26-14⁴)**

Trainer William Delia, California Thoroughbred Trainers representative Charles Dougherty, Racing Secretary Patrick Mackey and Safety Steward Vic Stauffer met With the Stewards regarding the nasal strip issue that occurred on Monday.

Security Manager T.W. Johnson participated by phone and indicated he would interview the guard assigned to Mr. Delia's horse and would provide a copy of the video that all guards are required to produce regarding the activity at their assigned stall.

05-30-14⁹**CLAIM VOIDED – 2ND RACE**

The claim submitted by trainer Mike Pender was voided by the Board of Stewards after they were notified by State Veterinarian Forrest Franklin that the three year old gelding BART THE BARRISTER was unsound in the left hind leg and was placed on the Vet's List following the second race. BART THE BARRISTER was returned to the Steve Sherman barn.

05-30-14¹⁰ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

| | | |
|--------------|------|-----------------------|
| GGF | 1070 | \$ 279,830.70 |
| NCOT | 2097 | \$ 776,269.20 |
| SCOT | | \$ 332,861.40 |
| Out of State | | \$ 922,222.76 |
| TOTAL | | \$2,311,184.06 |

Saturday

05-31-14¹ **CAL – BRED REPORT**
The Cal-bred race for three year olds, claiming \$6,250., one mile, failed to fill.

05-31-14² **DECLARATIONS - REFUNDS**

| | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|------------|---------|
| 1 st race: #3 LADY INDYPENDANCE | (Tr. Roxanne Smith) | | injured |
| | Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell | REFUND: \$ | 161.40 |
| 3 rd race: #1 NO BABY | (Tr. Natalie Houle) | | sick |
| | Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell | REFUND: \$ | 22.80 |

05-31-14³ **RULING #79 – MICHAEL V. PENDER (14GG0018)**

In the matter of:) Case #14GG0018
Trainer Michael Van Pender)

In accordance with a stipulated agreement with the California Horse Racing Board, trainer Michael Van Pender who started the horse APOLLO TEN, eighth place finisher in the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on February 15, 2014, is hereby suspended seven calendar days, June 2 to June 8, 2014 inclusive, and fined the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3500.00)* pursuant to CHRB rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of CHRB rules #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), #1843.1 (a) (Prohibited Drug Substances) and #1844 (c) (1) (Authorized Medication: Phenylbutazone – in excess of permitted level, 2.6 ug/ml [Class 4] – fifth offense in one year).

During the term of this suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Michael van Pender 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 following the Board of Stewards' approval of a stipulated agreement between Mr. Pender and the California Horse Racing Board to resolve the complaint filed against the trainer.

05-31-14⁴ **RULING #80 – ARNOLD B. TORRES (14GG0046)**

Trainer **ARNOLD B. TORRES** is fined the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1482 (Employment of Unlicensed Person), #1843 (c) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), #1845 (d) (Authorized Bleeder Medication) and #1890 (Possession of Contraband) on May 2, 2014.

The above ruling was issued after the Board of Stewards considered the evidence and testimony presented at the formal hearing held on May 30, 2014.

05-31-14⁵

RULING #81 – HECTOR MEJIA (14GG0048)
RULING #82 – ISABEL S. PEREZ (14GG0047)

NO.81

Groom **HECTOR MEJIA** is fined the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – Intoxication & Impeding others from doing their duties) on May 2, 2014.

NO.82

Groom **ISABEL S. PEREZ** is fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – Intoxication) on May 2, 2014.

The above rulings were issued following the hearing held on May 30, 2014, during which both individuals acknowledged their guilt.

05-31-14⁶**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

| | | |
|--------------|------|-----------------------|
| GGF | 2159 | \$ 435,937.00 |
| NCOT | 2716 | \$1,084,802.90 |
| SCOT | | \$ 459,956.40 |
| Out of State | | \$ 899,501.95 |
| TOTAL | | \$2,880,198.25 |

Sunday06-01-14¹**CAL – BRED REPORT**

The Cal-bred race for three year old fillies, claiming \$18,000.- \$20,000., six furlongs failed to fill.

06-01-14²**DECLARATIONS**

| | | | |
|---|---------------------|------------|---------------|
| 6 th race: #4 ADRIATIC LASS | (Tr. John Martin) | | re-entry |
| Stewards | | REFUND: \$ | 292.00 |
| #5 GENUINE QUALITY | (Tr. Neil Drysdale) | | sick |
| Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell | | REFUND: \$ | 397.10 |
| 7 th race: #4 PHILOSOPHIC | (Tr. Kent Molinaro) | | unsound |
| Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell | | REFUND: \$ | 28,639.42 |
| 8 th race: #3 TRIBAL DELIGHT | (Tr. Cliff DeLima) | | re-entry |
| Stewards | | REFUND: \$ | 121.70 |
| #9 BACKWOODS BELLE | (Tr. Lorenzo Ruiz) | | also eligible |
| Stewards | | REFUND: \$ | 79.00 |

06-01-14³**RULING #83 – JESUS R. ARELLANES (14GG0034)**

Owner **JESUS R. ARELLANES**, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Golden Gate Fields on or before May 31, 2014, is hereby suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer charges alleging violation of CHRB Rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse), #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances) and #1844 (e) (10) (Authorized Medication).

The foregoing ruling was issued as Mr. Arellanes failed to appear for a scheduled hearing regarding his failure to return his share of the purse money awarded to the

horse A SHOT OF FURY DH, who finished first in the third race at the Fresno District Fair on October 12, 2013. The post race test on A SHOT OF FURY DH contained the prohibited substance 16- Hydroxystanozolol, a metabolite of Stanozolol, and the horse was subsequently disqualified from all purse monies earned and deemed unplaced as stated in Pacific Racing Association ruling #16, dated December 29, 2013.

06-01-14⁴**RULING #84 – CESAR SALCEDO**

Apprentice Jockey **Cesar Salcedo** is fined the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00)* for failure to make his assigned weight on Monday May 26, and for reporting the wrong weight on Friday May 31, 2014; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1682 (Weighing Out) and #1683 (Maximum Over-weight).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Salcedo met with the Stewards regarding his failure to disclose his accurate weight when reporting in to the Jockey's Quarters. The young apprentice is having difficulty with his weight and necessitated a late rider change from his mount on May 26, 2014 because he could not get his weight within the seven pound overage. The next racing day (5-31-14) he once again reported the wrong weight after meeting with the Stewards about the first incident. Steward Nevin felt a more severe penalty was warranted.

06-01-14⁵**ACCIDENT – INQUIRY – 3rd RACE**

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign following the third race to review an incident at the start. #2 GENEROUS GEORGE (Jockey – Cesar Salcedo) ducked in sharply soon after the start and bumped into #1 TEMPORARY MADNESS (Jockey – Pedro Terrero) unseating Salcedo. Track Physician David Seftel, M.D., reported the young rider has a sprained ankle. Accident report attached.

06-01-14⁶**INQUIRY – OBJECTION – DISQUALIFICATION – 5th RACE**

The Stewards lit the Inquiry sign following the fifth race to address an incident in the stretch involving #1 PEPPER ME (Jockey – Ricardo Gonzalez) first and #4 CANALASSO (Jockey – William Antongeorgi III) who finished fourth. CANALASSO'S trainer, Roger Stein, subsequently lodged a claim of foul regarding the same incident.

The video shows #1 PEPPER ME drifts and impedes #4 CANALASSO near the 1/8 pole forcing the latter to take back, lose momentum and the opportunity of a better placing. The Stewards decided unanimously to disqualify #1 PEPPER ME from first to fourth.

Original Order of Finish: (1) – 6 – 2 – 4 – 3

Official Order of Finish: 6 – 2 – 4 – (1) - 3

06-01-14⁷**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

| | | |
|--------------|------|-----------------------|
| GGF | 5066 | \$ 539,730.90 |
| NCOT | 2347 | \$ 847,949.90 |
| SCOT | | \$ 442,328.10 |
| Out of State | | \$ 727,362.27 |
| TOTAL | | \$2,557,371.17 |

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 |
|---------|------|-----|-------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|-------------|
| 5-30-14 | 3 | 6 | LIL ANGELINA | Morey | Sick | Isbell | \$514.16 |
| 5-30-14 | 4 | 3 | FRENCH ALPS | Hess | Sick | Isbell | \$324.50 |
| 5-30-14 | 5 | 5 | SAINT TERRELL | Bonde | Sick | Isbell | \$252.70 |
| 5-30-14 | 7 | 8 | EL ANEJO | Miranda | Sick | Isbell | \$70.10 |
| 5-30-14 | 8 | 11 | WONSKI | Paszkeicz | Sick | Isbell | \$146.62 |
| 5-31-14 | 1 | 3 | LADY INDYPENDANCE | Smith | Injured | Isbell | \$161.40 |
| 5-31-14 | 3 | 1 | NO BABY | Houle | Sick | Isbell | \$22.80 |
| 6-1-14 | 6 | 4 | ADRIATIC LASS | Martin | Re-enter | Stewards | \$292.00 |
| 6-1-14 | 6 | 5 | GENUINE QUALITY | Drysdale | Sick | Isbell | \$397.10 |
| 6-1-14 | 7 | 4 | PHILOSOPHIC | Molinaro | Unsound | Isbell | \$28,639.42 |
| 6-1-14 | 8 | 3 | TRIBAL DELIGHT | DeLima | Re-enter | Stewards | \$121.70 |
| 6-1-14 | 8 | 9 | BACKWOODS BELLE | Ruiz | Also Eligible | Stewards | \$79.00 |

VETERINARY REPORT

Euthanized/Died – None reported.

Veterinarian's List

There were nineteen (19) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 8 Injured: 3 Unsound: 8

There were nineteen (19) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 9 Injured: 5 Unsound: 4 Medication: 1

Shockwave Therapy: There were two shockwave therapy treatments reported.

| | 5/30 | 5/31 | 6/1 | Week | Meet |
|----------------------|------|------|-----|------|------|
| ACCIDENTS | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| CAL-BRED RACES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| CLAIMS | 5 | 4 | 6 | 15 | 229 |
| DISQUALIFICATIONS | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 36 |
| REFUNDS | 5 | 2 | 5 | 12 | 292 |
| RULINGS | 2 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 84 |
| CLAIMS VOID | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 35 |

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

| | | |
|-----------------|------|----------------|
| Anderson | 71 | \$21,384.20 |
| Bankers Casino | 41 | \$11,758.990 |
| Fresno | 241 | \$77,264.00 |
| Fresno Club One | 66 | \$48,143.50 |
| Monterey | 159 | \$54,379.00 |
| Pleasanton | 1018 | \$434,741.80 |
| Sacramento | 771 | \$288,852.60 |
| San Jose | 1150 | \$420,183.80 |
| San Mateo | 1886 | \$762,471.20 |
| Santa Rosa | 461 | \$131,809.20 |
| Stockton | 545 | \$170,819.10 |
| Turlock | 246 | \$101,933.80 |
| Vallejo | 505 | \$185,280.90 |
| So. California | | \$1,235,145.90 |
| Out of State | | \$2,549,086.98 |

Respectfully submitted,

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