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## PACIFIC RACING ASSOCIATION

Golden Gate Fields  
 Albany, California

## Report of the Board of Stewards

To the California Horse Racing Board

Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor

Honorable Charles Winner, Chairman  
 Honorable Bo Derek, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair  
 Honorable Richard A. Rosenberg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair  
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 Honorable George Krikorian, Member  
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 Robert B. Miller, Chief Counsel CHRB

Report for the period Wednesday, April 22, 2015 through Sunday, April 26, 2015.

**DARK DAYS**

Live racing was reduced to two days this week – just Saturday and Sunday. Steward Dennis Nevin was on hand for entries, scratches and routine office matters on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Saturday**04-25-15<sup>1</sup>**DECLARATIONS - REFUNDS**

2 <sup>nd</sup> race: #2 FOREVERINSUMMER (Tr. Ellen Jackson)	sick	
Examining Veterinarian Sara Sporer	REFUND\$	62.50
4 <sup>th</sup> race: #6 MUM'S TRUCKEE (Tr. Ed Moger)	sick	
Examining Veterinarian Sara Sporer	REFUND: \$	206.90
9 <sup>th</sup> race: #3 HEAR THE GHOST (Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer)	sick	
Examining Veterinarian Sara Sporer	REFUND: \$	215.40

04-25-15<sup>2</sup>**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey William Antongeorgi viewed the tapes of last Sunday's fifth race with the Stewards over our concerns with his use of the whip. The jockey appeared to be using his whip more than necessary while racing in last through the stretch. Antongeorgi explained his horse was attempting to bear out for most of the race and he was attempting to maintain control. The tapes confirmed Antongeorgi's version of the events.

04-25-15<sup>3</sup>**STARTER IN (REFER 4-19-15<sup>3</sup>)**

Starter Todd Stephens met with the Stewards regarding last Sunday's second race where the horse COURTING MISCHIEF was declared a non-starter. The purpose of the meeting was to stress to Stephens the need for quicker communication between Todd, his assistants and eventually the Stewards.

04-25-15<sup>4</sup>**SLOAN HEARING (CASE #15GG0030)**

A formal hearing was conducted for trainer Nick Sloan who was the subject of a complaint filed by California Horse Racing Board Investigator Louis Quezada. The complaint alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1874 (Disorderly Conduct), #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers), #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations) and #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing). Present at the hearing besides the Stewards, Quezada and Sloan were Safety Steward Richard Lewis, California Thoroughbred Trainers representative Charlie Dougherty, witness Nicole Weakley, and observer John Harris. California Horse Racing Board Licensing Supervisor Cynde Neal also testified.

The thrust of the complaint arose when Sloan was asked to answer questions posed by Quezada who was conducting an investigation on a third party. During that interview Sloan allegedly became boisterous and uncooperative and left Quezada's office abruptly. A second incident between Sloan and Licensing Supervisor Neal took place a few days later in which Sloan's behavior was again allegedly out of line.

The Stewards took the evidence and testimony under submission and will arrive at a decision in the near future.

04-25-15<sup>5</sup>**IN THE CLEAR**

The afternoon's nine race program was contested without an incident worthy of note.

04-25-15<sup>6</sup>**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	2,073	\$ 464,599.80
NCOT	2,790	\$1,012,745.00
SCOT		\$ 580,661.20
Out of State		\$1,502,980.37
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$3,560,986.37</b>

**Sunday**04-26-15<sup>1</sup>**EARLY DECLARATIONS**

1 <sup>st</sup> race: #5 CANELA SPECIAL	(Tr. Guillermo Preciado)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Sara Sporer	REFUND: \$ 117.20
5 <sup>th</sup> race: #5 RICHARD'S BOY	(Tr. Peter Miller)	Stakes scratch
	Stewards	REFUND: \$ 759.24
9 <sup>th</sup> race: #11 WINNINGINFASHION	(Tr. Michael Penda)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Sara Sporer	REFUND: \$ 165.84

04-26-15<sup>2</sup>**STEWARDS INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – SEVENTH RACE – NO CHANGE**

The Stewards lit the inquiry lamp to determine the cause of an accident as the field approached the 1/16 of the one mile Campanile Stakes on the turf course. #4 SWISS SKIMMER, trained by Steve Specht and ridden by Abel Cedillo, went through the inside rail while racing in mid-pack and unseated the jockey. After a thorough review the Stewards affirmed the original order of finish.

Tapes showed that Cedillo was trying to keep his mount competitive by applying a right hand whip, but suddenly SWISS SKIMMER veered in and broke through the



**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES**

Anderson	49	\$15,830.00
Bankers Casino	75	\$17,318.50
Ferndale	0	\$0.00
Fresno	241	\$90,689.70
Fresno Club One	84	\$54,339.50
Monterey	227	\$68,882.20
Pleasanton	1,094	\$408,278.30
Sacramento	739	\$250,269.30
San Jose	1,254	\$436,091.60
San Mateo	2,146	\$868,067.40
Santa Rosa	451	\$89,517.40
Stockton	668	\$183,010.20
Tulare	0	\$0.00
Turlock	272	\$88,117.20
Vallejo	546	\$192,902.50
So. California	0	\$1,204,887.40
Out of State	0	\$2,958,204.81

Respectfully submitted,

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**John Herbuveaux, Steward**

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**Darrel McHargue, Steward**

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**Dennis Nevin, Steward**

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