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CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD



PACIFIC RACING ASSOCIATION

Golden Gate Fields
Albany, California

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

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Report for September 24, 2015 through September 27, 2015

GENERAL DATA:

DATES: Eight Days-September 27, 2015 through October 4, 2015

ENTRIES: 48 TO 168 hours in advance

SCRATCH TIME: 9:00 a.m. the race day before the race

POST TIMES: 1:15 p.m. daily; Saturday's and Sunday's 12:45 p.m.

WAGERING: Win, Place and Show: Exacta, Quinella, trifecta Superfecta, Daily Double, Rolling Double, High Five, Pick 3, Pick 4, Pick 5 and Pick 6

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SATELLITE FACILITIES:
Albany, Anderson, Ferndale, Fresno, Monterey, Pleasanton, Sacramento, Salinas, San Jose, San Mateo, Santa Rosa, Stockton, Turlock and Vallejo

STEWARDS:

Representing the California Horse Racing Board
John b. Herbuveaux, Darrel McHargue and Dennis Nevin: (Safety Steward)
Richard Lewis

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Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	Track Veterinarian
Diane Isbell D.V.M.	Examining Veterinarian

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William Vassar	Track Photographer
David Seftel, M.D.	Track Physician

THURSDAY09-24-2015¹**PRE MEET ENTRIES AND DECLARATIONS**

Entries were taken on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd with each steward overseeing one of the entry days. Steward John Herbuveaux will continue with those duties for the rest of the week.

09-24-2015²**CAL BRED REPORT**

Purse \$7,000. for California bred fillies and mares three years old and upward which have not won a race in 2015, claiming \$3,200 at one mile. The race was called off with one entry.

09-24-2015³**JOCKEYS PEDRO FLORES AND JUAN HERNANDEZ RULINGS 16 AND 17****RULING 16**

Jockey **Pedro Flores** who rode **Sapito De La Corona** in the first race at The San Joaquin County Fair (Stockton) on September 20, 2015, is hereby suspended Three (3) racing days (October 1, 2 and 3, 2015) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from third to fifth; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (d) & (f) (riding Rules-Careless Riding)

RULING 17

Jockey **Juan Hernandez** who rode **Feisty's Cause** in the fifth race at the San Joaquin County Fair (Stockton) on September 20, 2015, is hereby suspended Three (3) racing days (October 1, 2 and 3, 2015) for altering course without sufficient clearance and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to third; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (d) & (f) (riding rule –Careless Riding)

The rulings listed above were issued after both riders met with the Stewards, reviewed their respective races and failed to offer valid reasons that would relieve them of the consequences of their actions and inactions to maintain a straight course.

09-24-2015⁴ **DECLARATIONS AND REFUNDS**

1 ST Race-#3 Blue Ratio, Trainer Richard E. Mandella Sick-Dr. Sporer, examining veterinarian	\$635.80
3 rd Race-#8 Pocket Prince, Trainer Joshua Stein Sick-Dr. Sporer, examining veterinarian	\$45.00
4 th Race- #4 Willie's Angel, Trainer Steve Myadi Unsound-Dr. Sporer, examining veterinarian	\$352.35
6 th Race-#13 Celestial Image, Trainer Steve Miyadi Also Eligible	\$34.80

09-24-2-015⁵ **7TH RACE INQUIRY/NON STARTER**

Following the running of the seventh race the inquiry sign was posted for a review of start involving #7 Springspransprung (3rd Place-Jockey Irving Orozco). Jockey Orozco also notified the Stewards through the outrider that his horse failed to receive a fair start.

In the interest of fairness to the wagering public the Stewards relied on California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Case Not Covered) to declare the horse a non starter after talking with the starter, the rider, and reviewing all the recorded views of #7. The recordings show the assistant starter who was handling the horse failed to release the horse as the starter dispatched the field causing #7 to leave the gate several lengths behind the rest of the horses. The starter and assistant starter were instructed to review the race with the Stewards tomorrow.

09-24-2015⁶ **STEWARD/RACING OFFICIAL GRANT BAKER**

Mr. Baker stopped in to inform the Stewards he will be working as a racing official until the conclusion of the meet.

09-24-2015⁷ **VOID CLAIM**

A claim submitted in the 2nd race by Trainer Jeff Metz for #4 Grievous Angel trained by Steve Miyadi, was deemed void after the horse was placed on the veterinarian list for unsoundness.

09-24-2015⁸ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	908	\$188,418.70
NCOT	1371	\$472,015.50
SCOT		\$264,646.40
Out of State		<u>\$763,837.45</u>
TOTAL		\$1,688,918.00

Friday

09-25-2015¹ **CAL BRED REPORT**

Purse \$9,000. For California bred or California sired maidens, fillies and mares three years old and upward, claiming price \$12,500. At six furlongs. The race was called off with three entries.

09-25-2015² **DECLARATIONS AND REFUNDS**
 8TH Race-#4 Arviat Bay, Trainer Cliff Delima
 Sick-Dr. Sporer, Examining Veterinarian

\$57.60

09-25-2015³ **JOCKY MAICOL SEVERINO RULING 18**

RULING 18

Jockey **Maicol Severino** who rode the horse **Native Causeway**, in the sixth race at Golden Gate Fields on Thursday September 24, 2015 is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond).

The ruling listed above was issued after Mr. Severino offered a plea of guilt and asked for mercy.

09-25-2015⁴ **LEONARD KASMERSKI HEARING**

A hearing was held today for trainer Leonard Kasmerski to address an alleged violation California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (disorderly Conduct). Mr. Kasmerski was cited for rude and abusive behavior toward an outrider. Present in addition to Stewards, Darrel McHargue, Dennis Nevin and John Herbuveaux were Mr. Kasmerski, California Horse Racing Board Investigator Joe Mulligan, Sherrie Monroe, Roosevelt Mosley, Patrick Mackey, Dwayne Baker and Nancy Barney (The complainant). After listening to the testimony and the supporting documents were entered into the record the matter was submitted for decision.

09-25-2015⁵ **RACING PROGRAM**

Other than possible crop violations in the 1st and 7th races the races progressed smoothly with noteworthy incidents.

09-25-2015⁶ **STARTER AND ASSISTANT STARTER MEET WITH THE STEWARDS**

Starter Todd Stephens and Assistant Starter Vince Sanchez met with the Stewards and reviewed the start of yesterday's 7th race in which #7 Springsprangprung was declared a non starter.

Mr. Sanchez handled #7 in the starting gate and explained he had his horse pointed down the track and was distracted which caused him to fail to release his horse's head as the race started, causing the horse to be left behind in the field. The recordings supported his explanation as they show he turns his head to look inward just as the starter opens the gate. A stern warning was issued to Mr. Sanchez to stay alert and see that an incident such as this does not happen in the future.

09-25-2015⁷ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	878	\$185,553.50
NCOT	1,782	\$597,429.80
SCOT		\$185,258.00
Out of State		\$628,131.78
TOTAL		\$1,596,373.08

Saturday

09-26-2015¹ **CAL BRED REPORT**

Purse \$25,000. For California bred of California sired fillies and mares three years old and upward, claiming \$40,000, at six furlongs. The race was called off with two entries.

09-26-2015² **JOCKEY ANNE SANGUINETTI AND PEDRO TERRERO RULING 19 AND 20**

RULING 19

Jockey **Anne Sanguinetti** who rode **Tulsa Thunder**, in the first race at Golden Gate Fields on Friday, September 25, 2015 is hereby fined the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond-second offense).

RULING 20

Jockey **Pedro Terrero** who rode **Triple Blend**, in the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on Friday September 25, 2015 is hereby fined the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond-third offense).

The foregoing rulings were issued after Ms. Sanguinetti contacted the Stewards and pled guilty and Mr. Terrero met with us and also pled guilty.

09-26-2015³ **TRAINER LEONARD R. KASMERSKI RULING 21**

RULING 21

Trainer **Leonard R. Kasmerski** is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)* and placed on probation for the term of his license (10-31-16) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct-abusive and aggressive behavior toward another person) on July 7, 2015.

The preceding ruling was issued after this Board reviewed the evidence presented at hearing.

09-26-2015⁴ **TRAINER JAMES O MEREDITH RULING 22**

RULING 22

Trainer **James O. Meredith**, who started the horse **Tux**, fourth place finisher in the fourth race at the Sonoma County Fair (Santa Rosa) on August 8, 2015, is fined the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1877 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances: Methocarbamol – In excess of permitted level; 4.1 ng/ml [class 4]).

The ruling listed above was issued after Mr. Meredith met with this Board and failed to offer a valid reason that would absolve him of blame. Mr. Meredith was at a loss as to the cause of the overage of medication in the test sample due to the fact he followed the suggested clearance times of the manufacturer. He has since adjusted and changed his administration procedures for the drug.

09-26-2015⁵ **DECLARATIONS AND REFUNDS**

1 ST race-#2 Papa's Lucky Charm, Trainer Marcia Stortz Sick-Dr. Sporer, examining veterinarian	\$105.10
2 nd race-#9 Native Market, Trainer Dale Raymond Injury-Dr. Sporer, examining veterinarian	\$9.60
5th race-#4 Starzilla, Trainer Steve Sherman Injury- Dr. Sporer, examining veterinarian	\$172.80
6 th race-#5 Light One, Trainer Jerry Hollendorfer Sick-Dr. Sporer, examining veterinarian	\$270.80
7 th race-#10 Tall and Sweet, Trainer Jerry Hollendorfer Also eligible-Stewards	\$68.10

09-26-2015⁶ **1ST RACE INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION**

Following the running of the first race the inquiry sign was lit for a review of interference soon after the start involving #3 Mount Zion (4th place-jockey Joe Crispin) and #1 Dench (5th place-jockey William Antongeorgi, III).

After talking to the riders involved and reviewing the recorded views #3 was disqualified from fourth to fifth. The recordings show #3 veer sharply to the left as the horses were about to cross onto the main track out of the six furlong chute and severely impeded the progress of #1, costing that horse an opportunity of a better placing. The decision of the Stewards was unanimous.

09-26-2015⁷ **7TH RACE INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION**

The inquiry sign was lit once again following the running of the 7th race for a review of interference between #6 No More Twinkies (1st place-jockey Russell Baze), #5 Patsy G and Me (9th place-jockey Frank Alvarado) and #4 Sunset Skies (5th place-jockey Juan Hernandez) soon after the start.

After talking to the jockeys involved and reviewing all the recorded videos #6 was disqualified from first to last. The recordings show #6 shift over without sufficient clearance soon after the start and cause interference to #5 and #4. In the Stewards opinion both horses were cost opportunities of better placings thus the disqualification. The decision was unanimous.

09-26-2015⁸ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,361	\$347,554.70
NCOT	2,528	\$818,511.10
SCOT		\$344,443.00
Out of State		\$983,037.82
TOTAL		\$2,493,546.60

Sunday09-27-2015¹ **CAL BRED REPORT**

Purse \$23,000. For California bred of California sired fillies and mares three years old and upward, claiming \$25,000, at six furlongs. Five entries were received for the race and the race was called off.

09-27-2015² **DECLARATIONS AND REFUNDS**

3 rd race-#1 Declared Innocents, Trainer Eric Kruljac	\$128.25
Sick-Dr. Sporer, examining veterinarian	
6 th race-#3 Zenn Again, Trainer Reina Gonzalez	\$28.00
Sick-Dr. Sporer, examining veterinarian	

09-27-2015³ **VOID CLAIM**

A claim submitted in the 3rd race by trainer Jason Homer for #6 Walk with an Angel trained by Jerry Hollendorfer was deemed void after the horse was placed on the veterinarian list for unsoundness.

09-27-2015⁴ **JOCKEY RUSSELL BAZE RULING 23****RULING 23**

Jockey **Russell Baze** who rode **No More Twinkies** in the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on September 26, 2015 is suspended three (3) racing days (October 4, 8 and 9, 2015) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course down the backstretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to ninth; A violation of California Horse Racing rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding rules-Carless Riding).

The ruling listed above was issued after Mr. Baze met with this Board and failed to convince them he was clear of the two inside horses when he crossed over and caused interference.

090-27-2015⁵ **RACING PROGRAM**

The nine races on the card progressed smoothly without incident.

09-27-2015⁶ **ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

GGF	2,997	\$698,502.20
NCOT	2,089	\$390,863.40
SCOT		\$355,014.30
Out of State		\$902,056.71
TOTAL		\$1,654,919.61

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
09-24-15	1 3	BLUE RATIO	MANDELLA	SICK	SPORER	\$634.80
09-24-15	3 8	POCKET PRINCE	STEIN	SICK	SPORER	\$45.00
09-24-15	4 4	WILLIES ANGEL	MYADI	SICK	SPORER	\$352.35
09-24-15	6 13	CELESTIAL IMAGE	MYADI	SICK	SPORER	\$34.80
09-25-15	8 4	ARVIAT BAY	DELIMA	ALSO ELIG	STEWES	\$57.60
09-26-15	1 2	PAPAS LUCKY CHARM	STORTZ	SICK	SPORER	\$105.10
09-26-15	2 9	NATIVE MARKET	RAYMOND	INJURED	SPORER	\$9.60
09-26-15	5 4	STARZILLA	SHERMAN	INJURED	SPORER	\$172.80
09-26-15	6 5	LIGHT ONE	HOLLENDORFER	SICK	SPORER	\$270.80
09-26-15	7 10	TALL AND SWEET	HOLLENDORFER	ALSO ELIG	STEWES	\$68.10
09-27-15	3 1	DECLARED INNOCENT	KRULJAC	SICK	SPORER	128.25
09-27-15	6 3	ZENN AGAIN	GONZALEZ	SICK	SPORER	\$28.00

VETERINARY REPORT

Euthanized/Died – 1 (training at 1/16 pole She’s a City Girl- fracture)

Veterinarian’s List - There were twenty-nine (17) horses placed on the vet’s list:

Sick: 11 Injured: 2
 Unsound: 3 Shockwave: 1

There were twenty-two (39) horses removed from the vet’s list:

Sick: 23 Injured: 5
 Unsound: 9 Medication: 0
 Bled: 1 Exhausted: 1

Shockwave Therapy: There were five (1) shockwave therapy treatments reported.

	9/24	9/25	9/26	9/27	Week	Meet
ACCIDENTS	1	0	0	0	1	1
CAL-BRED RACES	1	1	1	1	5	4
CLAIMS	3	2	1	3	9	10
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	0	2	2	2
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	1	0	1	2	4	4
REFUNDS	4	1	5	2	12	12
RULINGS	2	1	4	1	8	8
CLAIMS VOID	1	0	0	0	1	1

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	175	\$25,486.30
Bankers Casino	81	\$22,178.40
Ferndale	0	\$0
Fresno	244	\$93,097.80
Fresno Club One	69	\$39,313.20
Monterey	175	\$59,462.90
Pleasanton	1141	\$464,759.30
Sacramento	797	\$234,302.00
San Jose	1335	\$325,277.70
San Mateo	1954	\$821,164.90
Santa Rosa	469	\$121,387.30
Stockton	626	\$214,830.80
Tulare	0	\$0.00
Turlock	240	\$75,748.10
Vallejo	464	\$152,441.50
So. California	0	\$1,149,361.70
Out of State	0	\$3,277,063.70

Respectfully submitted,

Darrel McHargue, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward

John Herbuveaux, Steward