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Report for the period Wednesday March 15, 2017 through Sunday March 19, 2017

WEDNESDAY

03-15-2017

DARK DAY DUTIES

Steward Dennis Nevin was present to supervise Thursday's scratches, Saturday's entries and to conduct office hours.

THURSDAY

03-16-2017¹

EARLY DECLARATIONS

2nd Race: #5 Karma Queen (Trainer Dan Markle)
 Sick, DVM Sporer

REFUNDS

\$322.96

03-16-2017²

DELIMA HEARING (CASE #16GG0092)

A formal hearing was conducted this morning for trainer Clifford DeLima who was charged in a complaint alleging violations of California Horse Racing Board rules #1890 (Possession of Contraband), #1843 (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing), #1489 (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation).

Present at the hearing in addition to the Stewards and Delima was California Horse Racing Board Counsel Philip Laird who presented the case and California Horse Racing Board Investigator Louis Quezada. Mr. DeLima was represented by Attorney Willie Brown.

The complaint alleged DeLima was in possession of contraband (needles, syringes and injectable medications) while on the grounds of the Alameda County Fairgrounds on July 14, 2016. Evidence was submitted and testimony taken. The record was closed and the Stewards will render a decision in the near future.

#87

Jockey **Irving Orozco** who rode **Georgia Blue** in the fifth race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, March 12, 2017 is hereby fined the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond-fourth offense in sixty days).

The above ruling was issued after Orozco contacted the Stewards and pled guilty.

03-16-2017⁴ **STEWARDS INQUIRY-FIFTH RACE-DISQUALIFICATION**

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign to evaluate an incident at the 3/16 involving #3 Bold U (5th, Joe Crispin) and #4 Smoking Forty Five (7th, Silvio Amador). After a thorough review the Stewards disqualified Bold U from fifth and placed him seventh behind Smoking Forty Five.

Tapes showed that Crispin swung his mount wide as the field left the far turn and entered the stretch and, in doing so, crossed the path of Smoking Forty Five causing Amador to check his mount. The incident, in the Stewards opinion, cost Smoking Forty Five the opportunity at a better placing. Crispin will view the tapes of the race with the Stewards in the morning.

Original order of finish: 1-5-6-7-(3)-2-4
Official order of finish: 1-5-6-7-2-4-(3)

03-16-2017⁵ **CLAIM VOIDED-SEVENTH RACE**

A claim deposited by trainer Blaine Wright was voided by the Stewards after Official Veterinarian Forest Franklin reported the horse was lame in the right hind leg and placed him on the Veterinarian's List. Zorrito was returned to the barn of Holly Evans.

03-16-2017⁶ **ATTENDANCE-HANDLE**

GGF	564	\$167,575.40
NCOT	1140	\$367,172.60
SCOT		\$195,334.90
OUT OF STATE		\$664,469.68
TOTAL		\$1,394,552.50

FRIDAY

03-17-2017¹ **EARLY DECLARATIONS**

REFUNDS

3rd Race: #6 Soolaimon (Trainer Tim McCanna) Sick, DVM Isbell	\$227.30
4th Race: #1 Algenon (Trainer Len Kasmerski) Sick, DVM Isbell	\$131.00

03-17-2017² **FILM REVIEW**

Jockeys Pedro Terrero, Silvio Amador and Joe Crispin appeared to review their rides from yesterday's race card.

Terrero was cautioned to be more aware of his use of the crop as he was approaching the maximum number of strikes allowed.

Silvio Amador appeared to review tapes from last Sunday as well as yesterday regarding his use of the crop. Amador acknowledged he struck his mounts more than three times in each of those particular races.

Amador was also questioned as to why he did not appear for a film review with the Stewards yesterday when requested to do so and admitted he forgot. In a final matter Amador was asked to explain why he was late reporting to the Jockeys Room yesterday. Silvio stated he was out jogging. The following rulings were issued:

#88

Jockey **Silvio Amador** who rode **Esperanza's Mobile** in the first race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, March 12, 2017 is fined the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00)* for violation of 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 in sixty days).

#89

Jockey **Silvio Amador** who rode **Opsec** in the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on Thursday, March 16, 2017 is fined the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond-fourth offense in sixty days).

#90

Jockey **Silvio Amador** is fined the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations) for failing to report to the Stewards office when notified to do so and reporting late to the Jockey's Room on Thursday March 16, 2017.

Joe Crispin appeared to review his ride in yesterday's fifth race where his mount was disqualified from fifth to seventh. Joe explained he was making a concerted effort to keep his mount from drifting out into a rival's path but the Stewards could not agree and issued the following ruling:

#91

Jockey **Joe Crispin** who rode **Bold U.** in the fifth race at Golden Gate Fields on Thursday, March 16, 2017 is suspended five (5) racing days (March 23, 24, 25, 26, and 30, 2017) for altering course without sufficient clearance entering the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from fifth to seventh; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (c) & (f) (Riding Rules-Careless Riding-second offense in sixty days).

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

03-17-2017³ **LENZINI HEARING (CASE #16GG0138)**

Trainer Mike Lenzini appeared to address a complaint filed by California Horse Racing Board Investigator Joe Mulligan alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board medication rules after the horse Johnny Reb showed the presence of Flunixin at a level of 35.4 ng/ml which exceeds the allowable limit of 10 ng/ml. The horse finished second in the sixth race at the Fresno Fair on October 8, 2016.

Lenzini explained that the horse arrived on the grounds a day later than expected and Mike did not adjust his medication schedule when he administered the Banamine paste. In Mike's opinion the compounding effect of a shorter withdrawal time along with the use of paste led to the high reading.

The Stewards will render a decision in the near future.

03-17-2017⁴ **IN THE CLEAR**

The afternoon's seven race program was contested in a problem free fashion

03-17-2017⁵ **ATTENDANCE-HANDLE**

GGF	982	\$229,277.90
NCOT	1388	\$478,171.30
SCOT		\$187,261.30
OUT OF STATE		\$583,456.54
TOTAL		\$1,478,167.00

SATURDAY

03-18-2017¹ **EARLY DECLARATIONS**

REFUNDS

7th Race: #1 Precious Time (Trainer Aggie Ordonez) Injured, DVM Isbell	See Below
7th Race: #8 Calm The Sea (Trainer Jerry Hollendorfer) Sick, DVM Sporer	\$295.90
8th Race: #3 He's A Pepper (Trainer Alex Paszkeicz) Sick, DVM Isbell	\$554.80

03-18-2017² **LENZINI RULING (REFER 03-17-2017³)****#92**

Trainer **ALBERT M. LENZINI** who started the horse "**JOHNNY REB**" second place finisher in the sixth race at The Big Fresno Fair on October 8, 2016, is fined the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances: Flunixin-In Excess of Permitted Level; 35.4 ng/ml [Class 4]) (3rd offense in 365 days).

The above ruling was issued following yesterday's informal hearing. Mike acknowledged responsibility for the high test results and the size of the penalty is a result of two previous medication violations within the past year.

03-18-2017³ **DELIMA DECISION (REFER 03-16-2017²)****#93**

Trainer **CLIFFORD DELIMA** is suspended thirty (30) days for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1890 (a) & (b) (Possession of Contraband) and #1843 (c) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances) on July 14, 2016. For cause ten (10) days of the suspension are stayed and the suspension shall be served from March 27 through April 15, 2017 inclusive.

During the term of this suspension, all licenses and license privileges of **CLIFFORD DELIMA** are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), subject is denied access to all premises in the jurisdiction.

The above ruling was issued following deliberation over the evidence and testimony presented at Thursday's formal hearing. DeLima did not dispute the fact he was in possession of needles, syringes and injectable medications at his barn in Pleasanton. DeLima's only defense was the fact that he inadvertently brought the contraband on the grounds from his nearby farm where he is allowed to treat his own horses.

03-18-2017⁴ **RACE DECLARED NO CONTEST**

The Stewards called off the first race today after all horses in the race suffered interference. As the five horse field approached the 3/8 pole #3 King's Palace, trained by Bill Delia, went wrong and fell while racing on the lead. All four horses trailing King's Palace had to alter their course as a result of the accident.

Tapes of the race showed that #2 William Crotty had to check sharply and actually made contact with King's Palace. #4 Bundesliga swerved suddenly to avoid the downed horse and #1 Clude and #5 Alamo Pintado both hurdled the fallen horse and jockey.

King's Palace suffered a catastrophic injury to the right front and was euthanized at the scene. Jockey William Antongeorgi escaped injury and was cleared by Track Physician David Seftel to continue riding.

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign after the horses crossed the wire and after a quick review of the video the patrons were cautioned to hold all tickets. After a thorough review the Stewards declared a no contest pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1544 (Calling Off Race) and the public was informed by the announcer, as well as the television monitors.

03-18-2017⁵ **ATTENDANCE-HANDLE**

GGF	1326	\$418,451.50
NCOT	2455	\$914,884.80
SCOT		\$389,794.50
OUT OF STATE		\$812,354.49
TOTAL		\$2,535,485.20

SUNDAY

03-19-2017¹	<u>EARLY DECLARATIONS</u>	<u>REFUNDS</u>
	3rd Race: #4 Kiss N Scat (Trainer Jerry Hollendorfer) Sick, DVM Sporer	See Below
	3rd Race: #5 Meet Miss Kitty (Trainer Cliff DeLima) Sick, DVM Sporer	\$470.00
	6th Race: #5 Kykee (Trainer James Casidy) Sick, DVM Franklin	\$356.40
	8th Race: #7 Athens (Trainer Jerry Hollendorfer) Sick, DVM Sporer	\$531.90
	9th Race: #2 Silver Minx (Trainer Wayne Baker) Sick, DVM Sporer	\$205.65

03-19-2017² **GUTIERREZ RULING**

#94

Valet **Andres L. Gutierrez** is hereby summarily suspended pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer charges alleging violation of the terms of his probation imposed in Pacific Racing Association ruling #41 dated February 12, 2017 pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1485 (License Subject to Conditions and Agreements).

The above ruling was issued after Gutierrez appeared yesterday in an inebriated condition. He was tested by California Horse Racing Board Investigator Louis Quezada and his Blood Alcohol Level was approaching 2.0. Gutierrez was previously fined and placed on probation in February for drinking while on duty. Gutierrez admitted he needs help and wanted to enter an in-house program. The above was issued to prevent him from reporting to work before he contacts the Stewards after completing a recognized rehabilitation program.

03-19-2017³ **MARTIN RULING #95**

#95

Trainer **John F. Martin** who started the horse **Norm's Place** winner of the third race at Golden Gate Fields on February 10, 2017, is fined the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances: more than one approved medication-Phenylbutazone and Flunixin [Class 4]-second offense in one year).

The above ruling was issued after John appeared and acknowledged he is responsible for the test results.

03-19-2017⁴ **MARTIN RULING (PART 2)**

#96

Trainer **John F. Martin** is fined the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)* for unprofessional conduct toward an outrider on March 19, 2017; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Disorderly Conduct).

The above ruling was issued after Martin admitted he used abusive language while confronting morning Outrider Nancy Barney. An exercise rider in Martin's employ was told by Barney to report to the Stewards for galloping along the rail and Martin took exception to the order as he feels the gallop girl was being singled out.

03-19-2017⁵ **TWO CLAIMS VOIDED**

In today's fourth race trainer Cliff DeLima deposited a claim for #4 Whatahandsomecat but Dr. Franklin determined, post race, that the colt was off on the left hind and placed him on the Veterinarian's List. Trainer Rene Amescua retained possession of the horse.

In the eighth race a claim for Lucky Shoes To Win dropped by trainer Val Rhoden was declared void by the Stewards after Dr. Franklin reported that the horse was lame on the right front and would be put on the Veterinarian's List. Lucky Shoes To Win was returned to the barn of Quentin Miller.

03-19-2017⁶ **ATTENDANCE-HANDLE**

GGF	3797	\$599,950.50
NCOT	1991	\$795,175.60
SCOT		\$352,997.60
OUT OF STATE		\$951,606.63
TOTAL		\$2,699,730.30

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

DATE	RACE	NO	HORSE	TRAINER	REASON	REFUND
03-16-17	2	5	Karma Queen	Markle	Sporer	\$322.96
03-17-17	3	6	Soolaimon	McCanna	Isbell	\$227.30
03-17-17	4	1	Algenon	Kasmerski	Isbell	\$131.00
03-18-17	7	1	Precious Time	Ordonez	Sporer	See Below
03-18-17	7	8	Calm The Sea	Hollendorfer	Sporer	\$295.90
03-18-17	8	3	He's A Pepper	Paszkeicz	Isbell	\$554.80
03-19-17	3	4	Kiss N Scat	Hollendorfer	Sporer	See Below
03-19-17	3	5	Meet Miss Kitty	DeLima	Sporer	\$470.00
03-19-17	6	5	Kykee	Cassidy	Franklin	\$356.40
03-19-17	8	7	Athens	Hollendorfer	Sporer	\$531.90
03-19-17	9	2	Silver Minx	Baker	Sporer	\$205.65

VETERINARY REPORT-(3)

Veterinarian's List

Thursday March 16, 2017-Sudden Death Fatality Racing Accident 4th Race:

Keihl Crissia (Trainer Abel Cedillo) was injured after crossing the finish line, was transported by horse ambulance and euthanized.

Saturday March 18, 2017-Non-Sudden Death Fatality:

A Toast To You (Trainer Mike Lenzini) had been fighting an illness but the illness worsened and the horse had to be euthanized.

Saturday March 18, 2017-Sudden Death Fatality Racing Accident 4th Race:

King's Palace (Trainer Bill Delia) went wrong while racing at the 3 ½ furlong marker and had to be euthanized.

There were twenty (20) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 10
 Injured: 1
 Unsound: 2
 Shockwave: 7

There were eighteen (18) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 7
 Injured: 6
 Unsound: 4
 Medication: 1

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	75	\$16,117.00
Bankers Casino	0	0
Ferndale	0	0
Fresno	235	\$73,372.30
Fresno Club One	63	\$52,013.00
Monterey	161	\$56,416.40
Pleasanton	922	\$397,982.00
Sacramento	954	\$305,133.50
San Jose	1200	\$366,385.30
San Mateo	1810	\$788,210.60
Santa Rosa	407	\$124,927.20
Stockton	661	\$213,870.50
Tulare	0	0
Turlock	0	0
Vallejo	500	\$161,427.10
So. California	0	\$1,090,442.10
Out of State	0	\$3,011,887.20

	03/16	03/17	03/18	03/19	Total	Meet
ACCIDENTS	0	0	2	0	2	8
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	1
CLAIMS	5	3	0	4	12	122
DISQUALIFICATIONS	1	0	0	0	1	11
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	1	0	0	0	1	29
REFUNDS	1	2	3	5	11	137
RULINGS	1	4	2	3	10	95
CLAIMS VOIDED	1	0	0	2	3	19

Respectfully submitted,

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