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Report for the period: Wednesday, May 22, through Monday, May 27, 2019.

WEDNESDAY

5-22-19¹

DARK DAY DUTIES

Steward **Dennis Nevin** was present for Thursday's scratches and Friday's changes.

THURSDAY

5-23-19¹

EARLY DECLARATIONS:

1ST Race: - #4 **Royal Alexis**, (Tr. **Cliff Delima**)
 Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refunds \$ 480.78
 2ND Race: - #3 **Cinderella's Prince**, (Tr. **Cliff Delima**)
 Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refunds \$ 289.30
 4TH Race: - #3 **Exactamente**, (Tr. **Cliff Delima**)
 Stewards – Off Turf – Refunds - \$ 313.05

5-23-19²

FILM REVIEW

Jockey's **Dick Cardenas** and **Cristobal Herrera** viewed the tapes of races from last Sunday. **Cardenas** wandered in the stretch run of the fourth race and was admonished to keep a straight course. **Herrera** was the subject of a Stewards' inquiry and his mount was disqualified but the film review showed that **Herrera** reacted quickly when his horse ducked out. No penalty was imposed.

5-23-19³

MATHIS HEARING (CASE #19GG0090 & #19GG0091)

An informal hearing was held for Trainer **Andy Mathis** into two complaints filed by California Horse Racing Board Investigator **Louis Quezada**. The first dealt with a high **Phenylbutazone** test result on the horse **We're Just Saying** who **Mathis** worked to get off the Veterinarians list. The **Phenylbutazone** level was 2.15 ug/ml. **Mathis** pled guilty.

The second case concerned **Mathis'** behavior when **Quezada** and Safety Steward **Richard Lewis** notified **Mathis** of the high **Phenylbutazone** level referred to above. It was alleged that **Mathis'** behavior was unprofessional and that he failed to obey

investigators. **Quezada** was not present for the hearing which put this portion of the case against **Mathis** at a disadvantage. Disposition to follow.

5-23-19⁴**LATE SCRATCH - SIXTH RACE - REFUND**

#2 **Nowhere Man**, trained by **Isidro Tamayo**, was scratched on the recommendation of track veterinarian **William Grantham** who reported the horse failed to warm up properly during the post parade. On Vets' list. The refund amounted to **\$28,434.59**.

5-23-19⁵**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	775	\$ 224,697.59
GG	368	\$ 106,412.20
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 889,917.71
SCOT	n/a	\$ 129,875.20
TOTAL	1,143	\$ 1,350,902.70

FRIDAY5-24-19¹**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey **Luis Ocasio** reviewed the tapes of yesterday's fourth race where he wandered in and out down the lane. He didn't bother others but he could have under different circumstances. He was put on notice to stay straight.

5-24-19²**ANDERSON RULING (CASE # 18GG0064)****RULING NO # 95**

Exercise Rider/Owner **Erin Anderson** having complied with the terms and conditions contained in **California State Fair** ruling #13, dated **July 28, 2018**, is hereby restored to good standing.

Further, **Anderson** remains on probation for the term of her license (07/31/2020) and as conditions of probation, must adhere to the terms of a contract with the Winner Foundation and a Testing Agreement with the California Horse Racing Board. Failure to comply with the terms of probation will be cause for action against **Anderson's** license privileges.

The above ruling was issued after **Anderson** submitted a negative urine sample. She completed an in-house rehab program and is currently working with the Winners Foundation.

5-24-19³**MATHIS RULING (REFER 5-23-19³)****RULING NO # 96**

Trainer **Andy Mathis** who worked the horse **We're Just Sayin** at Golden Gate Fields on **April 7, 2019** for removal from the Veterinarian's List, is fined the sum of **five hundred dollars (\$500.00)***, pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules 1866 (e) (Veterinarian's List) and #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances - **Phenylbutazone**, in excess of permitted level - 2.15 ug/ml [Class 4]).

The above ruling was issued following yesterday's informal hearing. With respect to **Mathis'** behavior when he was served notice of the high **Phenylbutazone** by the investigators the Stewards issued a warning.

5-24-19⁴**MEDINA HEARING (CASE #19GG0016)**

A formal hearing was convened for expired owner/exercise rider licensee **Gustavo G. Medina** who was charged in a complaint filed by California Horse Racing Board Investigator **Mike Alford** with alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1902.5 (Animal Welfare), #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing), #1489 (7) & (10) (Grounds For Denial or Refusal of License), #1900 (Grounds For Suspension or Revocation) and #1481 (b) (10) (Occupational Licenses and Fees).

Present at the hearing besides the Stewards were respondent **Medina**, his translator chaplain **Rob Cochran**, investigator **Mike Alford** and California Horse Racing Board staff counsel **Rob Brodnik** who presented the case. Trainers **Jose Puentes** and **Rene Amescua** appeared as witnesses. **Christine Niccoli** CSR recorded the proceedings.

Medina is alleged to have assumed responsibility for a thoroughbred horse, **Tiz Willow**, who was shipped off the grounds of **Golden Gate fields** on **December 3, 2018**. The horse was turned out near **Vallejo, California** and returned to **Golden Gate Fields** on **January 23, 2019**. Two days later the horse died in his stall. A subsequent necropsy indicated the horse succumbed due to malnutrition.

The hearing was opened, testimony was taken and exhibits were entered in the record. Time constraints prevented the hearing from concluding and the matter was continued until **June 6, 2019** at **10:30am**.

5-24-19⁵**CLAIM VOIDED – FIRST RACE**

Trainer **Rene Amescua** deposited a claim for #6 **Cashless Society** but was unable to take possession of the horse as Official Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin DVM** placed the horse on the Vet's list for unsoundness on the front end. The horse returned to the care of **Jonathan Wong**.

5-24-19⁶**LATE SCRATCH – SIXTH RACE – REFUND**

2 **Lolly Express**, trained by **Isidro Tamayo**, was scratched by the stewards on the recommendation of track veterinarian **William Grantham DVM** after he reported the horse was off on the left front during the warm up period. On Vet's list. The refund amounted to **\$22,175.01**.

5-24-19⁷**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	1,280	\$ 486,467.04
GG	737	\$ 197,768.51
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 1,065,896.88
SCOT	n/a	\$ 209,757.98
TOTAL	2,017	\$ 1,959,890.41

SATURDAY5-25-19¹**TAMAYO RULING****RULING NO # 97**

Trainer **Isidro Tamayo** is fined **One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)*** for failure to have the horse **Monsajem Accrete** properly shod when reporting to the receiving barn for the third race at Golden Gate Fields on May 24, 2019; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1555 (Duties of Horse Shoe Inspector) and #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting - No toe grabs allowed on turf course).

The above ruling was issued after **Tamayo** was contacted by phone. The horse appeared in the receiving barn with toe grabs all around. The condition book states Queen Plates or flat shoes only on the turf course. The horse shoe inspector, **Agustin Rayas**, was able to grind the shoes down enough to conform and the horse was allowed to start in the race and finished third.

5-25-19²**EARLY DECLARATION**

2ND Race: #4 **Stay In Yo Lane** (Tr. **Jonathan Wong**)
Vet – Sick – Dr. Christin – Refunds \$248.30

5-25-19³**KENGYE RULING****RULING NO # 98**

Unlicensed owner **Lajos Kengye**, having satisfied an outstanding debt to Trainer **Monty Meier** is hereby deemed eligible for relicensing and **Golden Gate Fields** ruling #86 suspending **Mr. Kengye** for failure to appear dated **May 15, 2009** is hereby set aside.

The above ruling was issued after the Santa Anita Stewards contacted this office stating they had a cashier's check made out to **Mr. Meier** in the full amount.

5-25-19⁴**STEWARDS INQUIRY – SECOND RACE – NO CHANGE**

The stewards lit the inquiry lamp to evaluate the stretch run involving the place horse, #3 **Punaluu** ridden by **Juan Hernandez**, the fourth place horse, #6 **Spider Jorgensen** with **Ricardo Gonzalez** in the irons and #1 **Morton Glory, Irving Orozco** up. After a thorough review the Stewards took no action with respect to the placings.

Tapes showed that **Morton Glory** came out approaching the 1/16 in search of racing room and created close quarters with **Spider Jorgensen** to his outside. Shortly after those two brushed **Punaluu**, closing on the outside, stepped in causing **Spider Jorgensen** to steady momentarily. While the two incidents were unfortunate the Stewards determined no placings were affected and affirmed the original order of finish. Both **Hernandez** and **Orozco** will view the tapes of the race with the Stewards in the morning.

5-25-19⁵**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	1,895	\$ 811,133.65
GG	1,209	\$ 330,358.20
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 1,348,791.92
SCOT	n/a	\$ 428,345.33
TOTAL	3,104	\$ 2,918,629.10

SUNDAY5-26-19¹**FILM REVIEW**

Jockeys **Juan Hernandez** and **Irving Orozco** appeared to explain their actions in yesterday's second race. While neither did anything egregious they could have easily avoided the problem by paying closer attention to their position. Warnings issued.

5-26-19²**EARLY DECLARATION**

5TH Race: #8 **Panshir** – (Tr. **Cliff Delima**)
Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refunds \$ 333.55

6TH Race: #3 **Life No Parole** – (Tr. **Tim Bellasis**)
Vet – Injured – Dr. Sporer – Refunds \$ 225.22

7TH Race: #1 **CC The Bartender** (Tr. **Jonathan Wong**)
Vet – Sick – Dr. Christen – Refunds \$ 625.88

5-26-19³**IN THE CLEAR**

The afternoon's nine race card was completed without incident.

5-26-19⁴**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	1,578	\$ 617,561.94
GG	3,670	\$ 459,415.60
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 1,490,941.76
SCOT	n/a	\$ 433,382.17
TOTAL	5,248	\$ 3,001,301.47

MONDAY5-27-19¹**EARLY DECLARATION**

9TH Race: #1 **Sunny Spot** (Tr. **Jonathan Wong**)
Stewards – Full Field – Refunds \$ 486.60

5-27-19²**UNREMARKABLE**

Both the morning and afternoon portions of today's nine race holiday card were completed without noteworthy incident. A perfect way to end a long week.

5-27-19³

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

NCOT	1,710	\$ 777,154.39
GG	1,374	\$ 364,090.38
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 1,389,807.32
SCOT	n/a	\$ 447,585.43
TOTAL	3,084	\$ 2,978,637.52

Veterinarian's List

There were THIRTEEN (13) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick:	8
Injured:	2
Unsound:	3

There were TWENTY-NINE (29) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick:	14
Injured:	7
Unsound:	8

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

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Bankers Casino	0	0
Ferndale	0	0
Fresno	6,020	\$2,106,584.64
Fresno Club One	1,472	\$1,670,592.60
Monterey	4,548	\$1,843,911.96
Pleasanton	21,794	\$9,259,138.65
Sacramento	19,520	\$6,974,265.85
San Jose	30,221	\$7,881,482.28
San Mateo	36,775	\$17,319,675.62
Santa Rosa	10,106	\$3,033,891.23
Stockton	15,327	\$5,181,915.51
Tulare	0	0
Turlock	0	0
Vallejo	10,932	\$4,351,663.07
So. California	n/a	\$32,203,706.26
Out of State	n/a	\$133,761,581.42

	5/23	5/24	5/25	5/26			
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0			
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0			
CLAIMS	6	4	1	6			
DISQUALIFICATIONS	1	0	0	0			
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	1	0	1	0			
REFUNDS	5	1	2	5			
RULINGS	0	2	2	0			
CLAIMS VOIDED	0	1	0	0			

	5/27	Total	Meet	
ACCIDENTS	0	0	14	
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	7	
CLAIMS	2	19	168	
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	1	14	
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	0	2	25	
REFUNDS	3	16	461	
RULINGS	0	4	98	
CLAIMS VOIDED	0	1	36	

Respectfully submitted,

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