

California Horse Racing Board

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Pacific Racing Association
 Golden Gate Fields, Berkeley, California
TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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Report for the Week of Wednesday, September 16, 2020 through Sunday, September 20, 2020

WEDNESDAY9/16/20¹**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward **Will Meyers** was present to supervise entries and changes.

THURSDAY9/17/20¹**DECLARATIONS:**

1ST Race: #3 **Somara** (Tr. **Jose Puentes**) Unsound – DVM Batten – Refunds \$343.46
 2ND Race: #2 **Sizzling Jamie** (Tr. **Clifford DeLima**) Sick – DVM Batten – Refunds \$525.62
 3RD Race: #9 **Silly Image** (Tr. **Felix Rondan**) Also Eligible – Stewards – Refunds \$157.30
 #10 **The Henrietta** (Tr. **Daniel Franko**) Also Eligible–Stewards–Refunds \$ See Above
 5TH Race: #2 **Miss You Mom** (Tr. **Ed Moger**) Sick – DVM Batten – Refunds \$614.10
 #8 **Marjorie E** (Tr. **D. Wayne Baker**) Sick – DVM Batten – Refunds \$ See Above
 6TH Race: #1 **Mother Of Dragons** (Tr. **A. Psarras**) Injured – Dr. Batten – Refund \$462.01

9/17/20²**RULING #27 – SHEILA CHUNG (20GG0084)****Ruling # 27**

Owner **Sheila Chung**, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Golden Gate Fields on or before September 13, 2020, is hereby suspended effective September 24, 2020 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 California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial responsibility). The foregoing Ruling was issued as **Ms. Chung** failed to respond to the Complaint filed against her By **San Francisco Equine, Inc.**, for nonpayment for services rendered totaling \$1,445.34.

9/17/20³**OBJECTION NO CHANGE – 7TH**

The Stewards posted the objection sign at the request of Jockey **Kyle Frey** who finished fifth on #3 **American Camp**. **Mr. Frey** lodged a claim of foul against #7 **Hong Kong Cowboy (Santos Rivera)**, who finished second.

The alleged interference occurred near the 5/16 pole during this five-furlong turf event. After talking with the riders involved and reviewing video, the Stewards decided unanimously to make no change in the original order of finish. The video shows #3 **American Camp** steady near the 5/16 pole, but was not clear as to who, if anyone, was at fault.

9/17/20⁴

OWNER JOSE VELASCO (19GG0152)

A **Microsoft Team Internet Hearing** was held this morning to address the Complaint filed against Owner **Jose Velasco** alleging violations of California Horse Racing Board Rules #1489(a) (10), (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License), #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations), #1594 (Registration Certificates to Reflect Correct Ownership), #1874 (Disorderly Conduct), #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) and #1902.5 (Animal Welfare).

All the charges against **Mr. Velasco** relate to the horse **Miss Brewski**, who suffered a serious leg injury during a workout for removal from the Veterinarians List on October 20, 2019. The catastrophic injury led to **Miss Brewski** being euthanized. In addition to the Stewards, those connected on line included California Horse Racing Board Staff counsel **Robert Brodnik**, who presented the case, California Horse Racing Board Investigator **Jennifer Tolman**, who compiled the Complaint, observers **Amanda Drummond**, **Shawn Loehr**, **Bill Glaholt** and CSR **Christine Niccoli**, who recorded the proceeding. Opening statements were offered and some testimony by **Mr. Velasco** and **Ms. Tolman** was heard, then due to time constraints the hearing was adjourned for the day. The Hearing will continue on a day agreeable to all.

9/17/20⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	151	\$72,794.70
Out of State + ADW	N/A	\$869,964.70
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$37,264.58
Total	151	\$ 980,023.98

FRIDAY
9/18/20¹

DECLARATIONS

1ST Race: #3 **Drumadoon** (Tr. **Duane Offield**) Sick – DVM Franklin – Refunds \$892.70
#7 **Govenor Bernstein** (Tr. **Steve Miyadi**) Sick – DVM Batten – Refunds \$ See Above
3RD Race: #8 **Elegant Silk** (Tr. **Steve Sherman**) Injured – DVM Batten – Refunds \$482.38
6TH Race: #2 **Hawk Hill** (Tr. **Ed Moger**) Injured – DVM Franklin – Refunds \$752.50
#3 **Foothill** (Tr. **Sean McCarthy**) Sick – DVM Franklin – Refunds \$ See Above
7TH Race: #1 **Take Charge Sister** (Tr. **William Delia**)
Broke Through Starting Gate – Ran Off – Stewards – Refunds \$10,339.62

9/18/20²

RULING #28 – KYLE FREY

Ruling # 28

Jockey **Kyle Frey** who rode **Clockstrikestwelve** in the fifth race at **Golden Gate Fields** on September 17, 2020 is fined the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)* 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, second offense in the last 60 days).

The above Ruling was issued after **Mr. Frey** met with the Stewards and admitted he violated the Crop Rule.

9/18/20³

RULING #29 - SHEILA CHUNG (20GG0084)

Ruling # 29

Owner **Sheila Chung** having satisfied her debt to **San Francisco Equine, Inc.**, Ruling #27 issued at the Pacific Racing Association on September 17, 2020 is hereby set aside. The above Ruling was issued following notification from **San Francisco Equine, Inc.** (**Kenneth Allison DVM**) that **Ms. Chung's** debt (\$1,445.34) has been satisfied.

9/18/20⁴

INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION – 5TH RACE

The Stewards conducted an Inquiry following the fifth race to review an incident in the stretch involving #2 **After Sundown (Chester Bonnet)** ninth and #10 **Crookhaven Lass (Hugo Herrera)** who finished tenth.

After a thorough review of the video the Stewards unanimously disqualify #2 **After Sundown** from ninth to tenth place. The video shows #2 **After Sundown** moving from the middle of the track to the inside rail under right-handed crop use and impeded #10 **Crookhaven Lass**.

Original Order of Finish 5-8-4-7-6-5-9-1-2-10.

Official Order of Finish 3-8-4-7-6-5-9-1-10-2.

9/18/20⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	440	\$245,962.94
Out of State + ADW	N/A	\$1,760,686.58
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$ 76,146.53
Total	440	\$2,082,796.05

SATURDAY

9/19/20¹

DECLARATIONS:

6TH Race: #9 **Reina De Reyes** (Tr. **Leanne Ekstrom**) Also eligible – Stewards - Refunds \$10.00

8TH Race: #9 **Governor’s Party** (Tr. **Daniel Franko**) Sick – DVM Batten – Refunds \$105.70

10TH Race: #11 **Square Dreamer** (Tr. **Clifford DeLima**) Also Eligible–Stewards Refunds \$55.90

11TH Race: #5 **Aerial Decoy** (Tr. **Pablo De Jesus**) Sick – DVM Batten – Refunds \$85.80

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RULING #30 - GREAME CHUNG (20GG0085)

Ruling # 30

Owner **Greame Chung**, having failed to satisfy a Financial Complaint filed by **San Francisco Equine Inc.**, on September 18, 2020 is suspended effective September 26, 2020 for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility).

The foregoing Ruling was issued after **Mr. Chung** contacted the Stewards by phone and upon reaching an agreement with **Kenneth Allison, DVM (dba San Francisco Equine, INC.)** was advised a Ruling would be issued suspending his license effective September 26, 2020. **Mr. Chung** was further advised that satisfaction of the debt (\$6,975.05) prior to September 26, 2020 would result in aforementioned Ruling being set aside.

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RULING #31 - KEVIN OROZCO

Ruling # 31

Jockey **Kevin Orozco** who rode **Just Like Fred** in the tenth race at **Golden Gate Fields** on September 18, 2020 is fined One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)* 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).

Mr. Orozco met with the Stewards, acknowledged he violated the **Crop Rule** and accepted the penalty imposed.

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RULING #32 – LEONEL CAMACHO - FLORES

Ruling # 32

Jockey **Leonel Camacho-Flores** is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)*; for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting) (Use of Riding Crop during Morning Training Hours Prohibited) at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, September 19, 2020.

The Stewards met with **Mr. Camacho-Flores** regarding a Complaint by the **A.M. Outriders** that he was observed using his crop on a horse during a workout. The young man admitted his use of the crop and accepted the penalty imposed.

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RULING #33 - SERGIO GARCIA GUTIERREZ

Ruling # 33

Exercise Rider **Sergio Garcia Gutierrez** is fined One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting-Use of Riding Crop During Morning Training) on September 19, 2020 at Golden Gate Fields.

Mr. Gutierrez was observed using his crop while working a horse. **Mr. Gutierrez** acknowledged the use of his crop and accepted his penalty.

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RULING #34 - OSCAR ALBERTO FRANCO

Ruling # 34

Groom **Oscar Alberto Franco** is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)*; for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting- failure to properly wear face mask in the stable area).

RULING #35 - JEREMIAS TERRAZA

Ruling # 35

Groom **Jeremias Terraza** is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)*; for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting- failure to properly wear face mask in the stable area).

RULING #36 - ANA G. GARCIA

Ruling # 36

Groom **Ana G. Garcia** is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)*; for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting- failure to properly wear face mask in the stable area).

The foregoing Rulings were issued after the three grooms appeared before the Stewards after being cited by Golden Gate Security for not wearing a face mask in the Stable Area.

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RULING #37 - CHESTER BONNET

Ruling # 37

Jockey **Chester Bonnet** who rode **After Sundown** in the Fifth Race at Golden Gate Fields on Friday, September 18, 2020 is suspended three (3) racing days (September 26, 27 and October 1, 2020) for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in a disqualification of his mount from ninth to tenth, a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules-Careless Riding).

The above Ruling was issued after **Mr. Bonnet** and the Stewards reviewed the video of the fifth race from September 18, 2020. **Mr. Bonnet** admitted to poor judgment in using his riding crop right-handed while his mount was drifting in. Steward **Baker** felt a five-day suspension was warranted.

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RULING #38 - CHESTER BONNET

Ruling # 38

Jockey **Chester Bonnet** is fined One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting-use of riding crop during morning training) on September 19, 2020 at Golden Gate Fields.

Mr. Bonnet met with the Stewards after being observed using his riding crop while working a horse during morning training. **Mr. Bonnet** admitted his transgression and accepted the penalty.

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INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION – 4TH RACE

The Stewards posted the Inquiry Sign following the fourth race for a review of an incident in the stretch involving #7 **BJ's Spirit (Kyle Frey)** second and #2 **Tess's Wild Cat (Daniel Vergara)** who finished third.

After reviewing the video and interviewing the riders involved, the Stewards decided unanimously to disqualify #7 **BJ's Spirit** from second to third. The video shows #7 **BJ's Spirit** drift into the path of #2 **Tess's Wild Cat** inside the 1/16 pole, forcing the latter to take back and lose the opportunity of better placing.

Original Order of Placing: 1-~~7~~-2-3-6-5-8-4.

Official Order of Placing: 1-2-~~7~~-3-6-5-8-4.

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11TH RACE DELAY

Jockey **Daniel Vergara** aboard #1 **Redaction** was injured in the Starting Gate when the three-year-old gelding became fractious.

Track Veterinarian **Casille Batten DVM** examined and cleared **Redaction** to participate. **Redaction** was returned to the paddock and replacement Rider **David C. Lopez** mounted the three-year-old. **Mr. Vergara** suffered a minor arm injury. Total delay twelve minutes.

9/19/20¹¹

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	534	\$335,327.70
Out of State + ADW	N/A	\$2,194,328.33
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$ 147,657.40
Total	534	\$ 2,677,313.43

SUNDAY
9/20/20¹

DECLARATIONS:

7TH Race: #5 **Barhopsky** (Tr. **Tim McCanna**) Sick – DVM Batten – Refunds \$25,766.16

#10 **Lil Miracle Man** (Tr. **Ellen Jackson**)

Unseated Rider in Post Parade - Ran Off – Stewards – Refunds \$ See Above

11TH Race: #4 **Bernardos Hideaway** (Tr. **Q. Miller**) Re-Entered – Stewards – Refunds \$377.30

#7 **Cats Out Tonight** (Tr. **Pablo De Jesus**) Sick – DVM Batten – Refund \$ See Above

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RULING #39 – GARREL CHUNG (20GG0086)

Ruling # 39

Owner **Garrel Chung**, having failed to satisfy a financial complaint filed by **San Francisco Equine Inc.**, on September 19, 2020 is suspended effective September 27, 2020 for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility).

Mr. Chung appeared in response to a Complaint filed against him by **Kenneth Allison, DVM** (dba San Francisco Equine) alleging a debt (\$7,024.69) for services rendered. **Mr. Chung** acknowledged the debt and vowed to resolve the issue within one week and he was advised a Ruling would be issued. Allowing him that amount of time to settle the matter.

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RULING #40 – PEDRO FLORES

Ruling # 40

Jockey **Pedro Flores**, is fined Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (b) (5) (Use of Riding Crop-use while horse is out of contention) during the sixth race at Golden Gate Fields on September 19, 2020.

Mr. Flores met with the Stewards regarding his use of the riding crop during the sixth race on September 19, 2020. **Mr. Flores** was chastised and informed of the penalty imposed for the unnecessary use of the riding crop on his mount in the stretch, while out of contention.

Mr. Flores apologized for his indiscretion and vowed it would not happen again.

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RULING # 41 - AMANDA SANTOS

Ruling # 41

Veterinarian Assistant **Amanda Santos** is fined One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)*; for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting- failure to properly wear face mask in the stable area).

The above Ruling was issued after **Ms. Santos** appeared before Stewards regarding a Golden Gate Fields Security Complaint for failing to wear face mask in the Stable area. **Ms. Santos** admitted not having her face mask on and accepted the penalty imposed.

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RULING #42 – KYLE FREY

Ruling # 42

Jockey **Kyle Frey** who rode **BJ's Spirit** in the fourth race at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, September 19, 2020 is suspended three (3) racing days September 27th, October 1st and 2nd, 2020 for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from second to third; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules-Careless Riding).

The foregoing Ruling was issued after **Mr. Frey** and the Stewards reviewed the video of the fourth race from Saturday, September 19, 2020. **Mr. Frey** was very candid in acknowledging he was remiss in using his riding crop right-handed while his mount was drifting into the path of a rival.

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JOCKEY MEETING

The Stewards met with the local Jockey Colony regarding the implementation of the new restrictions on the use of the riding crop starting October 1, 2020.

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INQUIRY – NO CHANGE – 8TH RACE

The Stewards conducted an Inquiry for a review of the start of the eighth race. The video shows #2 **Iz Invincible (Catalino Martinez)** reared then propped as the gate opened, unseating Jockey **Martinez**. The Stewards decided unanimously that the six-year-old gelding caused his own problem and was declared a Starter. The veteran **Martinez** was transported to **Highland Hospital** complaining of neck and head pain.

It should be noted that the Stewards also reviewed the actions of Jockey **Alejandro Gomez** aboard #4 **Shot Of A Lifetime**. **Mr. Gomez** pulled his mount up the first time past the wire of this one- and one-half mile turf event. **Mr. Gomez** will meet with the Stewards on Thursday, Sept 26, 2020, regarding his ride.

9/20/20⁸

INQUIRY - NO CHANGE – 10TH RACE

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign following the tenth race to review an incident inside the 1/16TH pole involving #9 **Oasis (Brayan Pena)** first and #4 **KPD Day (Santos Rivera)** who finished fourth.

After interviewing the riders involved and reviewing the video, the Stewards by majority decision (Steward **Nevin** dissenting) made no change in the original order of finish. The video shows #9 **Oasis** drift out continually under left-handed crop use impeding #4 **KPD Day**, forcing the latter, to steady however the majority opined the incident did not prevent #4 **KPD Day** a better placing.

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CLAIM VOIDED – 11TH RACE

Two claims were voided in the eleventh race after the Stewards were notified by the Official Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin, DVM.** of their placement on the Veterinarians' List.

#6 **Invertigo** (Tr. **Gary Greiner**) was claimed by Trainer **Isidro Tamayo** but returned to Trainer **Greiner's** barn after being diagnosed with a bowed tendon in the left foreleg. The claim submitted by Trainer **Jose Bautista** for #9 **Aigle** (Tr. **Blaine Wright**) was voided upon the report from **Forrest Franklin, DVM.** that the five-year-old gelding was lame in the right hind leg. **Aigle** was returned to Trainer **Wright's** barn.

9/20/20¹⁰

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	481	\$285,412.90
Out of State + ADW	N/A	\$ 2,695,431.05
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$172,652.52
Total	481	\$3,153,496.47

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
17-Sept	1	3	Somara	J. Puentes	Unsound	Dr. Batten	\$343.46
17-Sept	2	2	Sizzling Jamie	C. DeLima	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$525.62
17-Sept	5	2	Miss You Mom	E. Moger	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$614.10
17-Sept	5	8	Marjorie E.	D. W. Baker	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$See Above
17-Sept	6	1	Mother Of Dragons	A. Psarras	Injured	Dr. Batten	\$462.01
18-Sept	1	3	Drumadoon	D. Offield	Sick	Dr. Franklin	\$892.70
18-Sept	1	7	Govenor Bernstein	S. Miyadi	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$See Above
18-Sept	3	8	Elegant Silk	S. Sherman	Injured	Dr. Batten	\$482.38
18-Sept	6	2	Hawk Hill	E. Moger	Sick	Dr. Franklin	\$752.50
18-Sept	6	3	Foothill	S. McCarthy	Sick	Dr. Franklin	\$See Above
19-Sept	8	9	Govenor's Party	D. Franko	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$105.70
19-Sept	11	5	Aerial Decoy	P. De Jesus	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$85.80
20-Sept	7	5	Barhopsky	T. McCanna	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$25,766.16
20-Sept	11	7	Cats Out Tonight	P. De Jesus	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$377.30

SUMMARY

	Thurs 9/17	Fri 9/18	Sat 9/19	Sun 9/20	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	1	1	2	3
Cal-Bred Races	1	0	1	1	3	5
Claims	1	3	5	1	10	45
Disqualifications	0	1	1	0	2	3
Inquiries	1	1	1	2	5	8
Refunds	6	7	8	4	25	128
Rulings	1	2	9	4	16	42
Voided Claims	0	0	0	2	2	10

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Nevin, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward