

California Horse Racing Board

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

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Report for the Week of Wednesday, September 2, 2020 through Monday, September 7, 2020

WEDNESDAY9/2/20¹**SATURDAY ENTRIES**

Steward **Will Meyers** was on site to observe entries and any other matters needing attention.

9/2/20²**POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION REVIEW**

A review panel convened today to discuss the case of **Snow Pack**, a **Mike Lenzini** trainee, present were **Drs. Franklin** and **Batten** along with Steward **Meyers** and Safety Steward **Lewis**.

THURSDAY9/3/20¹**PROGRAM CHANGES**

2ND Race: #1 **Red Star** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**). Vet – Sick – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$ 379.90

#3 **According To Buddy** (Tr. **E. Baze II**) Vet–Sick– Dr. Batten– Refunds \$ See Above

4TH Race: #3 **Fairy Tale Bliss** (Tr. **S. Ledezma**). Vet – Sick – Dr. Christin – Refunds \$ 195.10

5TH Race: #3 **Oculus** (Tr. **A. Saavedra**). Stewards – Ownership- Refunds \$ 234.78

7TH Race: #1 **Legalita** (Tr. **H. Evans**). Vet – Sick – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$ 1,501.24

9/3/20²**7TH RACE- LATE SCRATCH**

California Horse Racing Board Veterinarian **Dr. Franklin** recommended that #4 **Ellie Lags** be withdrawn as “Unfit” after the 3yr old filly was examined at the Receiving Barn. The Stewards announced the scratch shortly before the horses headed to the paddock.

9/3/20³**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

Off Track	173	\$ 86,155.68
Out of State + ADW	N/A	\$ 752,014.89
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$ 28,444.20
Total	173	\$ 866,614.77

FRIDAY9/4/20¹**PROGRAM CHANGES**

3RD Race: #5 **Sadie Bluegrass** (Tr. **J. Wong**). Sick – Vet – Dr. Christin - Refunds \$ 294.40

4TH Race: #1 **Bordeaux Red** (Tr. **K. Desormeaux**). Sick – Vet – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$ 600.12
 #4 **She's A Lil Flirt** (Tr. **S. Callaghan**). Sick–Vet–Dr. Christin–Refunds \$ See Above
 5TH Race: #3 **Carolina Mia** (Tr. **F. Rodan**). Unsound – Vet – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$ 291.64
 8TH Race: #1 **Classic Champ** (Tr. **E. Moger Jr.**). Sick – Vet – Dr. Christin – Refunds \$ 213.16

9/4/20²

PENA RULINGS #14 & #15

Ruling # 14

Jockey **Brayan Pena** who rode **Elusive Love** in the first race at Golden Gate Fields on Thursday, September 3, 2020 is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three consecutive times without giving the horse a chance to respond).

Ruling # 15

Jockey **Brayan Pena** who rode **Tanners Pride** in the third race at Golden Gate Fields on Thursday, September 3, 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 consecutive times without giving the horse a chance to respond-second offense in the last sixty days).

The above Rulings were published after Jockey **Brayan Pena** appeared before this panel to review video and took the blame for misusing the crop in Races One and Three.

9/4/20³

CROP TELECONFERENCE

This Panel of Stewards was part of a Statewide Conference Call regarding California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop).

9/4/20⁴

LATE SCRATCH 7TH RACE

Mid-afternoon California Horse Racing Board Veterinarian **Dr. Franklin** informed the Stewards that "**Go Vaidagirl**" an entrant in the Seventh Race had been injured in her stall. She was scratched upon his advice and put on the Vet's List as injured.

9/4/20⁵

LATE SCRATCH 6TH RACE

As the horses were nearing the gate Veterinarian **Casille Batten** noticed **Lady Phyllis** traveling awkwardly. She had Jockey **Frank Alvarado** dismount and she examined the filly who appeared okay but when Rider remounted **Lady Phyllis** traveled unsound causing the vet to recommend that the Stewards withdraw her. Upon our scratching the then 6/5 favorite Jockey **Alvarado** became upset striking the inside rail with his crop.

9/4/20⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	658	\$ 370,848.17
Out of State + ADW	N/A	\$ 1,204,866.61
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$ 43,805.70
Total	658	\$ 1,619,520.48

SATURDAY

9/5/20¹

PROGRAM CHANGES

1ST Race: #3 **Snoozy Suzy** (Tr. **T. McCanna**). Sick – Vet – Dr. Christin – Refunds \$ 347.77
 2ND Race: #6 **Lea's Reward** (Tr. **S. Ledezma**) Sick – Vet - Dr. Batten - Refunds \$ 213.90
 3RD Race: #1 **Cinderellas Prince** (Tr. **C. DeLima**) Sick – Vet – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$ 85.20
 4TH Race: #1 **Big Error** (Tr. **F. Rondan**) Sick – Vet – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$ 122.70

9/5/20²

ESPINOZA RULING #16

Ruling # 16

Apprentice Jockey **Juan Espinoza** who rode **Vastly Deep** in the eighth race at Golden Gate Fields on Friday, September 4, 2020 is fined the sum of One hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for

violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three consecutive times without giving the horse a chance to respond).

The previous Ruling was issued after Apprentice Jockey **Juan Espinoza** viewed video of prior day's race. It was clear that strikes adding up to five, shoulder and hind quarters, took place. **Mr. Espinoza** now understands that strikes anywhere count.

9/5/20³

ALVARADO RULING #17

Ruling # 17

Jockey **Frank Alvarado** is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$ 100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not covered by Rules and Regulations-Unprofessional Conduct).

Jockey **Alvarado** appeared before this panel, as requested, to discuss his actions after his mount "**Lady Phyllis**" was scratched at the gate for yesterday's sixth race. After hearing his explanation and apology along with **Dr. Batten's** testimony the above Ruling was issued (Refer 9-4-20⁵)*.

9/5/20⁴

CLEAR RACING

The ten-race card was carried out incident free.

9/5/20⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	1,195	\$ 728,281.38
Out of State + ADW	N/A	\$ 1,762,074.97
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$ 68,950.30
Total	1,195	\$ 2,559,306.65

SUNDAY

9/6/20¹

PROGRAM CHANGES

5TH Race: #2 **Daniel The Dreamer** (Tr. **J. Wong**). Sick – Vet – Dr. Christin – Refunds \$ 250.22

9/6/20²

HERRERA HEARING

Groom **Diego Herrera** appeared to respond to Pacific Racing Association Ruling #51, dated March 7, 2020; Failure To Appear in case #20GG0024. Present were **Diego Herrera** with Chaplain **Rob Cochran**, California Horse Racing Board Investigators **Longoria**, and **Jerome Smith**, along with the Board of Stewards testimony was heard and a decision to follow.

9/6/20³

CARLOS VILLALOBOS WARNING

Exercise Rider **Carlos Villalobos** was present as requested, to discuss concerns of causing an unsafe work environment. An "informational" report was presented by California Horse Racing Board Investigator **Smith** which included interviews from witnesses.

Mr. Villalobos was reported, over a long period of time, to have been making loud noises (i.e. whistling, yelling) when exiting the Track and on the Bridle Path, while behind other horses and riders, spooking them. **Villalobos** was warned to heed this panel's advice and be respectful of others or be prepared to have an official complaint filed. He agreed to be more aware of his actions and surroundings.

9/6/20⁴

RACE 1 – SHOE ISSUE

First time Starter **Charlie Red River**, Trainer **W. L. McDaniel**, arrived at the Receiving Barn bare foot in back. Upon investigating it was found that horse was entered but not sans shoes. The Shoe Inspector was able to get the horse shod, the trainer will appear before us in morning.

9/6/20⁵

5TH DEAD HEAT SHOW

The finish of the fifth race resulted in a photo for the win and a photo for show. The win photo proved easy to read while the show picture could not separate #5 **Arouse N Go** from #6 **Popular Appeal**. The Stewards were unanimous in declaring a Dead Heat for show.

9/6/20⁶

VOIDED CLAIM RACE 4

Acting upon advice of California Horse Racing Board Veterinarian **Franklin** the Stewards voided the claim of **Magnificent Q T** when the five-year-old mare was put on the Vet's List as unsound. She remains under the care of Trainer **Doug O'Neil**.

9/6/20⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	546	\$ 292,890.16
Out of State + ADW	N/A	\$ 1,488,297.87
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$ 65,417.03
Total	546	\$ 1,846,738.06

MONDAY

9/7/20¹

PROGRAM CHANGES

2ND Race: #5 **Big Wash** (Tr. **L Ekstrom**) Unsound – Vet – Dr. Christin – Refunds \$ 545.95

4TH Race: #1 **Rowdyrooster** (Tr. **T. McCanna**) Unsound–Vet –Dr. Christin – Refunds \$ 175.50
No Show Wagering

7TH Race: #5 **Flashy Hero** (Tr. **C. DeLima**) Sick – Vet – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$ 124.50

8TH Race: #6 **Builder** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) Sick – Vet – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$ 350.26

9/7/20²

ESPINOZA RULING #18

Ruling # 18

Apprentice Jockey **Juan Espinoza** who rode **Galwalksintoabar** in the fifth race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, September 6, 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 consecutive times without giving the horse a chance to respond-second offense in the last sixty days).

Apprentice Jockey **Juan Espinoza** viewed video of Sunday's fifth race. After watching he agreed that he did not change his rhythm while hitting his mount four consecutive times. This was **Espinoza's** second violation within the week, and he was cautioned about the soon to be new Regulation.

9/7/20³

ROMAN RULING #19

Ruling # 19

Jockey **Evin Roman** who rode **Cimpl Man** in the eighth race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, September 6, 2020 is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three consecutive times without giving the horse a chance to respond).

Jockey **Evin Roman** watched replays of his winning ride in the eighth race of prior day. During the stretch run he saw where he used his crop four times prior to giving his horse a different look.

9/7/20⁴

CAMACHO-FLORES RULING #20

Ruling # 20

Jockey **Leonel Camacho-Flores** who rode **Sizzling Evening** in the ninth race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, September 6, 2020 is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three consecutive times without giving the horse a chance to respond).

Jockey **Leonel Camacho-Flores** was in attendance to view his crop action in Sunday's final race, ninth. While between horses and battling for the lead video showed no break in his use of the crop while striking his mount four consecutive times. He agreed and apologized, while saying he got caught up in the action trying to win.

9/7/20⁵

DIEGO HERRERA RULING #21

Ruling # 21

Groom **Diego Herrera** having now appeared before the Board of Stewards in response to case 20GG0024; Pacific Racing Association Ruling #51 issued at Golden Gate Fields on March 7, 2020 is set aside. Furthermore, Groom **Diego Herrera** is suspended for the term of his license November 30, 2020, for Violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) and #1874 (2) (4) (Disorderly Conduct-Intoxication).

The above Ruling was issued after this Board of Stewards deliberated over the issues presented at yesterday's hearing. (Ref 9-6-20²).

9/7/20⁶

McDANIEL RULING #22

Ruling # 22

Trainer **W. L. Mc Daniel** is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for failure to follow proper procedure when entering the horse **Charlie Red River** to race without hind shoes in the first race on Sunday, September 6, 2020; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1853 (b) (Examination Required).

The Stewards produced Ruling #22 after the **W. L. McDaniel** trainee arrived at the receiving barn for the first race Sunday without hind shoes. A call to Racing Office confirmed no mention of shoes "Off". Horseshoe Inspector **Rayas** was able to apply a pair of shoes in a timely manner allowing horse to run thus the fine for a #1853 violation (Refer 9-6-20⁴).

9/7/20⁷

RACE 2 INQUIRY / DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards had the Inquiry sign lit shortly after horses crossed the wire. While reviewing replays the interaction between #6 **Momma Mocca** and #2 **Lady Of The House** at the 1/8TH pole was being scrutinized. #6 with **Irving Orozco** in the Irons, was making up ground while "racing wide" and drifting inward crossing into the path of #2 causing Jockey **Kevin Orozco** to check hard in order to avoid clipping heels. The Stewards were unanimous in their decision to disqualify # 6 from first and place him last behind #2. Original order of finish: 6-3-1-4-2. Official order of finish: 3-1-4-2-6.

9/7/20⁸

RACE #3 FAVORITE DNF

The Post Time Favorite #1 **Daddysprize**, while racing for the lead was injured at the head of the lane and was pulled up at 1/8 pole by Jockey **Frank Alvarado**, the horse was reported to have suffered an injury involving suspensory ligaments in the left fore. The horse was taken off track by equine ambulance for more detailed diagnostics.

9/7/20⁹

4TH RACE POSTING ERROR

The order of finish, 5-3-2-4, was posted as 5-2-3-4 in error. The mistake was noticed after the race was official. Mutuels was contacted, the Board cleared, and the correct numbers were put in. More to come.

Follow-up-report on Error in Posting Finish:

The Fourth race results on Monday, September 7TH, were 5-3-2-4 but were incorrectly posted as 5-2-3-4 and made Official. The 5 finished first and there was a photo for place between the 3 and 2. I, Steward **Richard Lewis** spoke with the Placing Judges who called the 2 as the Place horse and 3 as Show finisher. I misread the photo picture as well.

The system of Checks and Balances was disrupted when I failed to have the Photo Finish properly viewed by Stewards **Meyers** and **Nevin**. To compound my mistake, I was given 5 and 2 as Test Horses from Steward **Meyers** and at the same time got the "all clear" from Outriders. As I was giving the Test Horses out, I looked at the Tote Board saw the 5 first and the 2 second and gave the good to go Official. The payouts were then posted.

Steward **Nevin** was checking with Equibase to see if #4 was eased when he heard the photo Operator calling out the finish. He came rushing back telling us there was an error and contacted Mutuels to lock the system and examine the photo. The correct numbers were posted, the Announcer was contacted, and the public was notified.

9/7/20¹⁰

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	319	\$ 196,574.94
Out of State + ADW	N/A	\$ 1,098,592.03
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$ 66,228.30
Total	319	\$ 1,361,395.27

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
3-Sept	2	1	Red Star	I. Tamayo	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$ 379.90
3-Sept	2	3	According To Buddy	E. Baze II	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$ See Above
3-Sept	4	3	Fairy Tale Bliss	S. Ledezma	Sick	Dr. Christin	\$ 195.10
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5-Sept	1	3	Snoozy Suzy	T. McCanna	Sick	Dr. Christin	\$ 347.77
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5-Sept	4	1	Big Error	F. Rondan	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$ 122.70
6-Sept	5	2	Daniel The Dreamer	J. Wong	Sick	Dr. Christin	\$ 250.22
7-Sept	2	5	Big Wash	L. Ekstrom	Unsound	Dr. Christin	\$ 545.95
7-Sept	4	1	Rowdyrooster	T. McCanna	Unsound	Dr. Christin	\$ 175.50
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SUMMARY

	Thurs 9/3	Fri 9/4	Sat 9/5	Sun 9/6	Mon 9/7	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Claims	1	4	3	2	5	15	35
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
Refunds	7	8	4	3	7	29	103
Rulings	0	3	2	0	5	10	22
Voided Claims	1	0	0	1	0	2	8

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Lewis, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward