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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

HOLLYWOOD PARK SPRING RACING ASSOCIATION

Hollywood Park

To the California Horse Racing Board

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For the period: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 through Sunday, July 06, 2008.

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MINUTES – ELEVENTH WEEK of HOLLYWOOD PARK SPRING MEETING

WEDNESDAY

07/02/08¹ A.M. DECLARATIONS

5th race #2 Chicks Rule (Vet – unsound)
#15 Excessive Tale (Vet – unsound) refund of \$4,745.56

07/02/08² VIDEO REVIEW

Richard Migliore and Joel Rosario were in the office to review races from Sunday. Both were counseled regarding minor riding infractions.

07/02/08³ RULING

HRTH #111

Trainer JOHN SADLER is fined ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS* (\$1,000.00) for failure to properly report the gelding of the horse “Swift Demand” which ran in the seventh race at Hollywood Park Race Track on June 14, 2008. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1865 (Altering of Sex of Horse) (Second Offense).

This ruling was issued after the trainer called and said he had no excuse for failing to report a first-time gelding. The horse had been off for over a year and the castration simply slipped Sadler's mind.

07/02/08⁴

RULING

HRTH #112

Based upon a report from the University of California, Davis Laboratories, an official laboratory for the California Horse Racing Board, that urine sample #SA04490, obtained from the horse RATHER BE LUCKY, the first place finisher in the third race at Santa Anita Park on January 21, 2008, contained the prohibited drugs Meprobamate and hydroxycarisoporodol (Class II) it is ordered that RATHER BE LUCKY be disqualified from all purse monies earned in said race, in accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1859.5 (Disqualification upon Positive Test Finding).

It is further ordered that the purse money earned in said race (\$33,000.00) be returned by owner Columbine Stable (\$26,400.00), trainer Christopher Beau Greely (\$3,300.00), and jockey David Flores (\$3,300.00) to the Paymaster of Purses at Santa Anita Park by August 2, 2008, for redistribution in accordance with the revised order of finish.

The revised order of finish is as follows:

1 st	Stylin Cat
2 nd	Soupy
3 rd	Westerly Magic
4 th	Samwise
5 th	Wellnessfast

All records are ordered changed to reflect this ruling. In accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1956 (Race Declared Official) the pari-mutuel payoff nor the distribution of any pari-mutuel pool shall be affected.

This ruling was issued after consultation with investigator Sharyn Jolly, who indicated that paperwork was in place to proceed with the above ruling. The stipulated agreement between the Board and trainer Beau Greely is one signature away from being complete and will be finalized in the next few days.

07/02/08⁵

RULING (Ref. 06/27/08⁴, 06/29/08¹)

HRTH #113

The claim of the horse "Refinery" from the fifth race at Hollywood Park Race Track on June 26, 2008, by trainer Mark Glatt for the account of owner Steven Sobel is declared invalid pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1656 (Errors Which Invalidate Claim – not signed by properly authorized agent). The horse is to be returned to former owner Les Blake, and the Paymaster of Purses is instructed to make the proper accounting adjustments, and all records are ordered to reflect this ruling.

The foregoing ruling was issued after it was determined that trainer Mark Glatt, acting in good faith for owner Steven Sobel, was, in fact, not a properly authorized agent for the owner. His status had expired as of January 1, 2008. Consequently, Mr. Glatt was not eligible to act on behalf of Mr. Sobel. The stewards have been informed that while the horse will legally be returned to the previous owner, all parties to the claim are in agreement that the horse will change hands via private sale.

07/02/08⁶

RACING

All matters during the course of the racing program were routine.

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	3,321	919,824.30
SATELLITES	5,129	2,228,069.70
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	800,341.60
OUT OF STATE	n/a	3,777,824.33
TOTALS	8,450	\$7,726,059.93

THURSDAY
07/03/08¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

- 1st race #1 Spinco Bob (Vet – sick)
 #4 It’s In The Fridge (Vet – sick) see minute entry **07/03/08²**
- 3rd race #3 High Rateof Return (Vet – sick) refund of \$1,599.70
- 4th race #7 Ridingwiththeeking (Vet – unsound) refund of \$3,079.30

07/03/08²

REFUND

A refund was ordered in the first race as #2 Fil’s Regent flipped in the starting gate and was declared on the advice of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund amounted to \$200,869.74.

07/03/08³

JOCKEY OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

The objection sign was posted after the seventh race as Aaron Gryder (3rd, #4 Within Reason) lodged a claim of foul against Joe Talamo (1st, #5 Ron Bob and Dave) for interference entering the far turn. Gryder claimed that Talamo allowed his horse to drop in, forcing him to check.

After speaking with the riders involved, taking into account reports from the Patrol Judges and reviewing tapes of the incident, the Stewards unanimously voted to make no change in the placings. Tapes show that while the winner did come in slightly, Gryder’s horse contributed to the problem as it went out over heels at the point of the turn. Since both horses were involved, no action on the Steward’s part was warranted.

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	7,541	1,279,383.60
SATELLITES	6,834	2,505,031.40
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	906,278.50
OUT OF STATE	n/a	3,883,574.34
TOTALS	14,375	\$8,574,267.84

**FRIDAY
07/04/08¹**

A. M. DECLARATIONS

2nd race #6 Lucky Mite (Vet – sick) see minute entry
3rd race #6 Beat Richy (Vet – sick) refund of \$595.74
4th race #8 On Overdrive (Vet – sick) refund of \$503.30
8th race #3 Bitterbutsweet (Stakes)
#9 Quick Commander (Stakes) refund of \$1,840.18
9th race #5 Papa Nino (Vet – sick) refund of \$1,078.60

07/04/08²

RIDERS EXCUSED

David Flores was excused from his mounts today due to illness. Replacement riders were named. Julio Garcia was also excused as he became ill during the racing program and was taken off after examination by the track physician. A replacement was named.

07/04/08³

REFUND

A refund was ordered in the second race as #7 December Sky injured itself in the starting gate and was declared on the advice of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund from the scratch totaled \$28,974.95.

07/04/08⁴

STEWARDS' INQUIRY and DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was posted after the third race as the Stewards reviewed an incident nearing the finish involving the third, fourth, and seventh place finishers - #4 Texas Devil (A. Quinonez), #9 Tizsong (T. Baze), and #1 Ringmaster (I. Enriquez).

After speaking with the riders involved, taking into account reports from the Patrol Judges and reviewing tapes of the incident the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify Texas Devil from third to seventh position. Tapes show that the horse ducked out from left handed whip, taking the path of both horses and causing their riders to take up sharply. It was the Stewards' opinion that both #9 and #1 were cost the opportunity for a better placing.

07/04/08⁵

REFUND

A refund was ordered in the fifth race as #1 Cyprus Lady was off behind during the warm up period and was declared on the recommendation of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund amounted to \$30,339.55

07/04/08⁷

REFUND

The Stewards ordered a refund in the seventh race as #3 Chief Teddybear was off in the right foreleg during warm up and was declared after examination by the Racing Veterinarian. There was a refund of \$82,514.55 due to the scratch.

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	5,778	1,831,343.30
SATELLITES	8,099	3,750,779.00
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	1,748,673.90
OUT OF STATE	n/a	6,262,609.28
TOTALS	13,877	\$13,593,405.48

SATURDAY
7/05/08¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

- 1st race #6 Kaylee Rush (Vet – sick) refund of \$4,424.30
- 3rd race #1 Conclusive (Stakes)
#2 Nochangeinweather (Stakes) refund of \$5,431.90
- 4th race #8 Lightning Hit (Vet – sick) refund of \$866.26
- 6th race #3 Saygoodnightgeorge (Vet – sick)
#6 Everynow And Then (Vet – unsound) refund of \$1,270.66
- 8th race #2 Persian Honey (Stewards) no refund
- 10th race #7 Medzendekron (Stakes) refund of \$1,267.88

07/05/08²

RULING

HRTH #114

Groom MANUEL VILLANUEVA, having appeared before the Board of Stewards, is restored to good standing. LATS Ruling #22, issued at Santa Anita on January 14, 2008, for failure to appear, is set aside. Furthermore, Mr. Villanueva is fined FIFTY DOLLARS* (\$50.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct).

This ruling was issued after Villanueva appeared to address his failure to attend a hearing into a domestic violence issue at the recent Santa Anita meeting. Villanueva said he did not receive notice. With respect to what prompted the complaint, he said that security overreacted to the situation and that there was no physical contact between he and his girlfriend.

07/05/08³ **RULING**

HRTH #115

Jockey JOSE VALDIVIA, JR. is suspended for three (3) racing days (July 12, 13 and 16, 2008), for altering course without sufficient clearance on the backstretch while riding "Smooch" in the first race at Hollywood Park on Friday, July 04, 2008. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (d) and (f) (Riding Rules – Careless Riding). Terms of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

This ruling was issued after the rider viewed video of the first race from July 4, in which his mount was responsible for interference entering the far turn. Mr. Valdivia said he thought he was going to be able to ease out from behind the leader and still be clear of the horse to his outside, but it did not work out as planned.

07/05/08⁴ **STEWARDS' INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**

The inquiry sign was posted after the first race as the Stewards reviewed an incident nearing the finish between the second and third place finishers, #2 Matty's G Force (C. Nakatani) and #5 Saint Spot (A. Solis).

After speaking with the riders involved, taking into account reports from the Patrol Judges and reviewing video of the incident, the Stewards unanimously voted to make no change in the placings. While Solis steadied when Nakatani's horse drifted in, his finish position was not compromised.

07/05/08⁵ **TURF COURSE RAIL PROBLEM**

While the fourth race, at one and one sixteenth miles on the turf, was under way, it was noticed that a section of the inside rail near the five furlong pole was missing. Fortunately, the field made it past the opening without a mishap, but a situation such as this is totally unacceptable. The case will be turned over to the investigators.

07/05/08⁶ **MINUS POOL**

A minus pool of \$69,899.42 was created in the fifth race when #3 Zenyatta, the prohibitive choice at odds of 1/5, came home the winner of the Grade I Vanity Handicap.

07/05/08⁷ **REFUND**

A refund was ordered in the eighth race as #10 Magical Victory flipped in the saddling paddock and was declared on the recommendation of Racing Veterinarian Jill Bailey. The total amount refunded came to \$67,298.68. The horse's trainer, Gary Stute, was extremely upset that the horse had been declared and caused an unfortunate scene in view of the public. A complaint will be filed.

07/05/08⁸

REFUND

A refund was ordered in the eleventh race as #7 Wicked Delight, the betting favorite at odds of 9/5, flipped while being saddled and was declared on the advice of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund from the scratch amounted to \$130,618.62

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	11,221	3,250,823.60
SATELLITES	11,939	5,798,998.20
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	3,070,076.80
OUT OF STATE	n/a	12,354,032.38
TOTALS	23,160	\$24,473,930.98

SUNDAY
07/06/08¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

4th race #1 Rare Ribbon (Vet – injured) refund of \$1,968.96

5th race #10 Elssoi (Vet – sick) refund of \$1,829.80

07/06/08²

VIDEO REVIEW

Corey Nakatani was in the office this morning to review the first race from 7-5, in which he and his mount were the subjects of a Stewards' inquiry. After a discussion with the rider and a review of the video, the Stewards, by majority decision – Mr. Chaney dissenting – voted to give Nakatani a “pass”. His effort was marginal, but sufficient to forestall a sanction. Mr. Chaney felt the rider could have made a stronger effort.

7/06/08³

RULING

HRTH #116

Jockey agent ROLANDO HEVIA is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1877 (Checks). During the term of suspension all licenses and license privileges of Rolando Hevia are suspended, and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1527 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Fine or Suspend), Mr. Hevia is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Hevia failed to live up to his word and did not make restitution for dishonored checks proffered during the Santa Anita meeting.

07/06/08⁴

RULING

HRTH #117

Trainer CODY AUTREY, who started the horse "PEACE PLEDGE" in the sixth race at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on July 18, 2007, and the horse "DUNMORE" in the second race at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on July 22, 2007, having entered into a stipulated agreement with the California Horse Racing Board, is suspended for thirty days (July 07, 2008 through August 05, 2008) and fined TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$12,500.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (Medication, Drugs, and other Substances) and #1843.2 (Classification of Drug Substances – Guanabenz Class II).

Pursuant to the terms of the stipulated agreement, twenty three days of the suspension (July 14, 2008 through August 05, 2008), shall be stayed provided that Mr. Autrey be placed on probation for a period of one year from the date of this ruling and not have any further violations for Class 1, 2, or 3 drug substances.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Autrey's counsel, Steve Schwartz, offered a signed stipulated agreement.

07/06/08⁵

RIDER EXCUSED

Corey Nakatani was excused from his final mount of the day as he suffered from a problem with his shoulder. A replacement rider was named.

07/06/08⁶

REFUND

A refund was ordered in the ninth race as #3 Jack's True Spirit was off behind during the warm up period and was declared on the advice of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund from the scratch amounted to \$59,206.20.

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	6,257	1,706,920.70
SATELLITES	8,105	3,498,978.50
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	1,512,608.10
OUT OF STATE	n/a	4,732,021.34
TOTALS	14,362	\$11,450,528.64

Additions/Removals from Vet List

Week of: 6-30-08 – 7-06-08

Track: Hollywood

Horses on Vet List:	<u>29</u>
Horses off Vet List:	<u>10</u>
Shockwave Therapy:	<u>29</u>
Deceased:	<u>0</u>

SUMMARY

	7/2	7/3	7/4	7/5	7/6		Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0		0	6
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	2	1	0		5	59
Claims	11	2	6	0	3		22	161
Disqualifications	0	0	1	0	0		1	8
Inquiries	0	1	1	1	0		3	28
Refunds	1	3	6	7	3		20	291
Rulings	3	0	0	2	2		7	117

Respectfully submitted,

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