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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
HOLLYWOOD PARK RACING ASSOCIATION

Hollywood Park

To the California Horse Racing Board

- Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor
- Honorable Richard B. Shapiro, Chairman
- Honorable John C Harris, Vice Chairman
- Honorable John Andreini, Member
- Honorable Jesse H. Choper, Member
- Honorable Bo Derek, Member
- Honorable David Israel, Member
- Honorable Jerome S. Moss, Member
- Kirk E. Breed, Executive Director
- Richard “Bon” Smith, Assistant Executive Director

For the period: Wednesday, November 12, 2008 through Sunday, November 16, 2008.

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MINUTES – THIRD WEEK of HOLLYWOOD PARK AUTUMN MEETING

WEDNESDAY

11/12/08¹

WORKOUT CANCELLED (ref 11/09/08²)

The Stewards received a verbal report from Official Veterinarian Connor that he and Racing Veterinarian Bailey agreed the horse “Cost of Freedom” was not sufficiently sound this morning to perform the scheduled workout for removal from the Veterinarian’s List. Therefore, the horse will remain on the list until another work is organized with trainer John Sadler.

11/12/08²

RULING RESCINDED

HRTH #007

Upon review of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843.3 (Penalties for Medication Violations) category “C”, HRTH ruling #001, issued on November 01, 2008 against trainer **EDDIE TRUMAN**, is hereby rescinded for good cause.

This ruling was issued after the Stewards review of the Category “C” penalty guidelines. According to these guidelines, “If the trainer has not had an 1844 (c) violation within the previous three years, the official veterinarian or the board of Stewards may issue a warning

in lieu of a fine for violations of 1844 (c) (1), phenylbutazone, provided the reported level is below 7.5 mcg/ml.”

Mr. Truman actually fell into this category; therefore the Stewards cancelled HRTM ruling #001 and replaced it with an official warning.

11/12/08³

PLEASANT AFTERNOON

Wednesday’s race card was performed without incident.

11/12/08⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race #10 Play Nine – Claimed, Tr. G. Sherlock

3rd Race #1 In Session (Tr. M. Polanco) Vet, unsound – Dr. Connor
#9 Specific Rule (Tr. M. Mitchell) Vet, removed by ambulance post-race–
Dr. Bailey
Refund \$1,282.60

5th Race #4 Sure Thing Eva (Tr. J.W. Sadler) Vet, injured – Dr. Bailey
#5 Jet Strip Billy (Tr. A.C. Avila) Vet, unsound – Dr. Connor
Refund \$1,834.06

11/12/08⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,622	655,790.30
Satellites	4,964	2,085,124.40
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	370,591.50
Out –of-State	n/a	2,962,807.05
Total	7,586	\$6,074.313.25

THURSDAY

11/13/08¹

ROUTINE MORNING

Only customary issues were addressed this morning.

11/13/08²

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

3rd Race #1 Rush With Thunder (Tr. D. O’Neill) Vet, unsound, Dr. Bailey
#7 Brave Sun – Claimed, Tr. B. Bean
Refund \$2,778.44

5th Race #2 Great Hunter (Tr. D. O’Neill) Vet, unsound, Dr. Bailey
#3 Mostacolli Mort – Claimed, Tr. J.W. Sadler
Refund \$2,083.02

6th Race #9 Carla D. (Tr. J. Van Berg) Vet, sick, Dr. Connor
Refund \$253.00

8th Race #6 Pink Polkadots – Claimed, Tr. M. Mitchell

11/13/08³

SMOOTH SAILING

The afternoon card was conducted without a ripple.

11/13/08⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,024	687,556.00
Satellites	4,996	1,840,730.40
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	357,797.50
Out –of-State	n/a	2,879,485.46
Total	8,020	\$5,765,569.36

FRIDAY

11/14/08¹

PRE-RACE PROGRAM DUTIES

The hours before 7 p.m. post time were quiet due to the absence of any scheduled hearings. Additionally, there has been minimal film review this meet due to the exemplary riding so far by this jockey colony.

11/14/08²

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race #2 Gobbler’s Knob (Tr. T. Blincoe) Vet, sick –Dr. Bailey
Refund \$1,919.82; Minus Pool \$1,567.35

3rd Race #2 Exotic Story (Tr. M. Chew) Vet, injured – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$1,923.80

4th Race #1 Reel Danger (Tr. J. Mullins) Vet, sick – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$2,480.40

5th Race #7 Princess Integrity (Tr. J. Coleman) Vet, unsound gate - Dr. Bailey
#5 Weevescent (Tr. M. Polanco) Vet, unsound gate – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$86,212.70

8th Race #3 Figeac – Claimed, Tr. R. Martinez
Refund \$19,843.09

6th Race #1 Sky Patriot (Tr. C. Sise Jr.) Vet, injured –Dr. Connor
#6 Happy Crafty (Tr. H. Ho) Vet, flipped gate – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$57,694.31

11/14/08³

INQUIRY FIFTH RACE (six furlongs, turf) – DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry sign was posted at the finish of this event to review an incident approaching the 1/8 pole. Involved were #1 Burna Dette (4th M. Baze) and #5 Belleacton (6th M. Pedroza). After a study of the films and discussion with the Patrol Judges and riders of the fillies noted, it was a unanimous decision to disqualify #1 and place her last behind #5. The films verified that #1 veers in sharply, bumping and impeding #5, causing her to lose all opportunity at a better placing.

Original Order of Finish: 2 – 4 – 6 – (1)– 3 – 5
Official Order of Finish: 2 – 4 – 6 – 3 – 5 – (1)

11/14/08⁴

INQUIRY SEVENTH RACE (one mile one sixteenth, turf) – DISQUALIFICATION

After the running of the seventh, the inquiry sign was lit to examine an incident approaching the 1/16 pole. Involved were #4 Aunt Pink (1st R. Bejarano) and #2 Song and A Wager (4th D. Sorensen). In the opinion of the Stewards #4 drifted in taking the path of #2 after the latter had established her line, causing her to take up and eliminating the opportunity for a better placing; thus creating the necessity to change the order of finish.

Original Order of Finish: (4) – 6- 1 – 2 – 5 – 3
 Official Order of Finish : 6 – 1 – 2 – (4)– 5 - 3

11/14/08⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	6,328	826,783.60
Satellites	5,821	1,641,667.80
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	570,205.60
Out –of-State	n/a	2,143,268.08
Total	12,149	\$5,181,925.08

SATURDAY
 11/15/08¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey Rafael Bejarano met with the Stewards to discuss his culpability in the disqualification of his mount Friday evening. After long discussion and re-examination of all the film angles of the race, the Stewards concluded that the blame was applicable to the horse rather than the rider. Mr. Bejarano’s mount did shift in after being shown the whip, and that shift was enough to put the impeded horse in harms way. Bejarano was dismissed without penalty.

Michael Baze joined the Stewards to analyze the disqualification of his horse in the seventh race on Friday. Following a thorough review of the films with jockey Baze, the Stewards were in agreement that he made an adequate effort to correct his mount’s movement.

11/15/08²

SMOKY AFTERNOON

Saturday’s race card was without incident with the exception of an air quality issue due to the wildfires and windy conditions inland, east of the track. After the running of the fifth race, the jockeys met with management, represented by Hollywood Park President Jack Liebau, CHRB Chairman Richard Shapiro and Steward Albert Christiansen. Jockeys’ Guild representative Darrell Haire was available by telephone. After discussion among the group, the jockeys agreed to continue the afternoon card with a shortened post parade sending them directly to the gate from the paddock.

11/15/08³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race #4 Forest Phantom – Claimed, Tr. J. Green
 #5 Sunshine Ridge (Tr. J. Sadler) Vet, pulled up post race removed by ambulance

3rd Race #4 Beresford (Tr. D.L. Hendricks) Vet, sick – Dr. Connor
 Refund \$1,354.92

- 4th Race #4 Wicked Delight (Tr. J. Shirreffs) Vet, injured gate – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$179,939.38
- 5th Race #2 Race Caller Luke (Tr. B. Baffert) Vet, sick – Dr. Bailey
#6 Lion Heart Victory (Tr. R. Rosales) Vet, injured – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$2,726.49
- 6th Race #7 Love Happens (Tr. E. Anderson) Vet, unsound gate – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$48,877.13
- 7th Race #4 Mi Forest Amor (Tr. P. Capestro) Vet, sick – Dr. Bailey
#6 Tevez The Tiger (Tr. E. G. Harty) Vet, sick – Dr. Connor
Refund \$3,316.96
- 8th Race #3 Set of Wings (Tr. J. Gutierrez) Vet, injured – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$1,273.41

11/15/08⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	5,065	1,327,938.10
Satellites	7,585	3,022,368.90
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	654,352.50
Out –of-State	n/a	5,090,474.96
Total	12,650	\$10,095,134.46

SUNDAY
11/16/08¹

JOHNSON HEARING -CASE #08SA165

Trainer Earnest Johnson came before the Stewards to address this complaint regarding unreported medication. Mr. Johnson ran a horse with Phenylbutazone in his system in the third race at Santa Anita on October 11, 2008, but failed to declare this fact pre-race. Dr. Connor was available by telephone for the hearing, and commented that perhaps Mr. Johnson's practicing vet was not reporting the race medication because the trainer himself was handling the administration. Mr. Johnson departed with a warning; he stated that he is now aware of the procedure and the error will not happen again.

11/16/08²

FILM REVIEW

Apprentice jockey Michael Martinez, accompanied by apprentice jockey Pedro Arambula, who acted as interpreter, met with the Stewards to review two races from Friday, Nov. 14. The Stewards warned Mr. Martinez that in the future, he needs to be more aware when his mount shifts paths, and to correct these moves with more finesse. The rider agreed he would be more alert.

11/16/08³

INQUIRY FOURTH RACE (six furlongs, turf) – NO CHANGE

Following the running of the fourth race, the inquiry sign was posted to review a possible infraction approaching the 1/8 pole. The horses involved were #2 Be Realistic (ARG) (4th O. Vergara) and #1 Complexity (6th V. Espinoza). Films verified that both horses

contributed to the trouble, and after conversation with both jockeys and the Patrol Judge, it was unanimously decided to make the original order of finish official.

11/16/08⁴

INQUIRY NINTH RACE (six furlongs, all-weather) – NO CHANGE

The inquiry sign was lit as the field crossed the wire for the finale so the Stewards could adjudicate an incident approaching the wire. The winner, #4 Leedstheyway (C. Sutherland) and runner-up, #2 Uncle Jeep (V. Espinoza) were involved. #4 steadily drifted out nearing the wire, causing #2 to take up and change direction. After talking to the Patrol Judge and both jockeys, the Stewards agreed that no change was in order. While there was interference, it was not significant enough to cost #2 an opportunity at a better placing.

11/16/08⁵

CAL-BRED REPORT

Five Cal-Bred races of different conditions were carded during this week of racing.

11/16/08⁶

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race #3 Wheaton Hall – Claimed, Tr. M. Mitchell

6th Race #5 Suva (Tr. T. West) Vet, injured paddock – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$11,212.27

7th Race #5 Orientation Hall (Tr. R. Mandella) Vet, injured paddock – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$15,877.38

8th Race #9 Palacio De Amor (Tr. M. Cho) Vet, ambulance post race

11/16/08⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	5,418	1,369,963.00
Satellites	7,291	2,881,191.00
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	768,048.50
Out –of-State	n/a	4,078,950.94
Total	12,709	9,098,153.44

Additions/Removals from Vet List

Week of: 11-10-08 – 11-16-08

Track: Hollywood

Horses on Vet List: 28

Horses off Vet List: 18

Shockwave Therapy: 38

Deceased: 03

Medication: 08

SUMMARY

	Nov 12	Nov 13	Nov 14	Nov 15	Nov 16		Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0		0	1
Cal-Bred Races	1	2	1	0	1		5	15
Claims	1	3	1	1	1		7	21
Disqualifications	0	0	2	0	0		2	2
Inquiries	0	0	2	0	2		4	6
Refunds	3	3	8	8	2		24	50
Rulings	1	0	0	0	0		1	7

Respectfully submitted,

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