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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
HOLLYWOOD PARK RACING ASSOCIATION**

Hollywood Park

To the California Horse Racing Board

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**MINUTES – FOURTH WEEK OF HOLLYWOOD PARK SPRING/SUMMER MEETING
For the period: Wednesday, May 13, 2009 through Sunday, May 17, 2009**

WEDNESDAY

05/13/09¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

1st race - #1a Joyful Success (Veterinarian-sick) no refund-part of entry

3rd race - #1 Sir Bell (Veterinarian-unsound)
#6 Mostacolli Mort (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$2,686.40

5th race - #4 Salty Sarah (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$749.80

7th race - #1 Back At You (Veterinarian-sick)
#3 Smokey Lonesome (Veterinarian-sick)
#6 Luckiest Man (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$3,475.05

05/13/09²

RIDERS EXCUSED

Alex Solis and Mike Smith were excused from their engagements this afternoon due to illness. Replacement riders were named.

05/13/09³

RULING HRTH #015

Owner **FOTIS GEORGIADIS**, having settled his debt to Equine Medical Center, is restored to good standing. HRTH #013, issued at Hollywood Park Racing Association on May 10, 2009, is set aside.

This ruling was issued after the Stewards were informed that Mr. Georgiadis had satisfied his delinquency to Equine Medical Center.

05/13/09⁴

RULING HRTH #016

Owner **DONJI MORINAGA**, having failed to abide by the terms of a financial agreement with Southern California Equine Foundation Inc, is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Donji Morinaga are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), Mr. Morinaga is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The preceding ruling was issued after it was learned that Mr. Morinaga had failed to live up to the terms of a financial agreement he had reached with Southern California Equine Foundation, Inc.

05/13/09⁵

TRAINER OBJECTION-NO CHANGE

The objection sign was posted after the fifth race as trainer Doug O'Neill (3rd, #3 Suzicutie) lodged an objection against the winner, #2 Ale's Pride (M. Garcia). After speaking with the riders involved, taking into account reports from Patrol Judges and reviewing video of the "incident", the Stewards quickly made the race "Official". Video made it obvious that the winner was clear of O'Neill's horse when it drifted out slightly, making the objection border on frivolous.

05/13/09⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,544	701,426.30
Satellites	4,983	1,942,520.60
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	677,398.40
Out -of-State	n/a	3,044,091.86
Total	7,527	\$6,365,437.16

THURSDAY

05/14/09¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

1st race - #4 Green Card James (Veterinarian-injured) refund of \$ 1,551.00

3rd race - #4 Necessary Evil (Veterinarian-sick)

#6 Such Fortune (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$1,669.30

4th race - #6 Crocetta (Veterinarian-sick) refund see entry 5-14-09⁵

05/14/09²

RULING HRTH #017

Stable employee **MIGUEL LOPEZ** is fined **TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1874 (Disorderly Conduct).

Furthermore, Mr. Lopez is required to abide by the terms set forth by the Winner's Foundation, enter into a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board, and will remain on probation while licensed by the California Horse Racing Board. In addition

Mr. Lopez is suspended **NINETY DAYS** which are stayed provided that he have no further California Horse Racing Board violations during the passage of one year from the date of this ruling.

This ruling was issued after Lopez appeared in response to a complaint filed against him by the California Horse Racing Board alleging violation of Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct). The complaint stated that on April 17, 2009, Lopez was under the influence of alcoholic beverages and refused to cooperate with Santa Anita security.

Lopez admitted the infraction, stating that he had consumed ten beers during the day. He was in his mother's car when apprehended by security, apparently on his way to a liquor store to buy replacement beer. Winner's Foundation Director Bob Fletcher was in attendance and offered that Lopez has been coming to meetings faithfully since the incident.

05/14/09³

JOCKEY EXCUSED

Corey Nakatani was excused from his mounts this afternoon due to a neck injury. Replacement riders were named.

05/14/09⁴

STEWARDS' INQUIRY/NO CHANGE

The inquiry sign was posted after the first race to review an incident just inside the 1/8th pole involving the first and second place finishers, #2 Warren's Stormalert (M.Smith) and #6 His Sisters Mister (M.Baze). Gus Headley, trainer of the second place horse, also lodged an objection. 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 the winner ducked out sharply, most likely from the rider pulling his whip through to the left hand, the horse was clear when the incident occurred.

05/14/09⁵

REFUND

A refund was ordered in the fourth race as #2 Renees Beauty flipped during the saddling procedure and was declared on the advice of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund from the late declaration amounted to \$15,577.18.

05/14/09⁶

LATE DECLARATION

A late scratch occurred in the fifth race as #4 Warren's Josephine came into the Receiving Barn without hind shoes. When questioned, trainer Jack Van Berg stated the horse had been training without hind shoes and he had planned to run it in that manner. He said he was unaware that a notation to that effect had to be placed on the entry blank when the horse was entered. The refund amounted to \$5,587.80.

05/14/09⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,671	806,993.20
Satellites	5,137	2,052,619.40
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	720,235.80
Out -of-State	n/a	3,285,751.87
Total	8,808	\$6,865,600.27

FRIDAY
05/15/09¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

2nd race - #2 Mister Fips (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$10,898.25

3rd race - #2 Buddyandrowdy (Veterinarian-injured) refund of \$1,890.75

4th race - #4 Irish Cowgal (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$15,238.35

5th race - #1 Crafty Power (Veterinarian-sick)
#2 Officer Frank (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$1,317.70

8th race-#14 Podger (AE)
#15 Decarchy Fever (AE) refund of \$ 109.50

05/15/09²

JOCKEY EXCUSED

Danny Sorensen was excused from his mounts this evening due to an upset stomach. Replacement riders were named.

05/15/09³

RULING HRTH #018

Owner **MARK TAKENAKA** (dba Rising Sun Racing Stable), having failed to appear before the Board of Stewards to answer a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility-Southern California Equine Foundation, Inc. \$877.39), is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Mark Takenaka are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), Mr.Takenaka is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

This ruling was issued after Mr.Takenaka failed to respond to a complaint alleging indebtedness to Southern California Equine Foundation, Inc.

05/15/09⁴

RULING HRTH #019

Owner **MARGARET BARICEVIC** is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility) for failure to pay Southern California Equine Foundation, Inc. for veterinarian services (\$178.71).

This foregoing ruling was issued as Ms.Baricevic failed to abide by an agreement to pay a reduced bill to Southern California Equine Foundation, Inc.

05/15/09⁵

RULING HRTH #020

Trainer **PETER EURTON**, who started the horse “**THUNDER BABYDOLL**” which finished first in the third race at Santa Anita Park on April 18, 2009, is fined **FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS*** (**\$500.00**) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1844 (c) (1) (Authorized Medication –Phenylbutazone, in excess of permitted level) and #1843 (a) (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances).

This ruling was issued after a hearing with the trainer into a complaint filed against him for an overage of Phenylbutazone in his horse Thunder Babydoll, the winner of the third race at Santa Anita Park on April 18, 2009. Mr. Eurton was concerned as he thought the horse may have been treated with the medication on two occasions.

05/15/09⁶

STEWARDS' INQUIRY INTO START/NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign after the sixth race to review the start, as observation indicated that #4 Public Image refused to break with his field. After speaking with Starter Gary Brinson and reviewing video of the start, the Stewards declared Public Image a "Starter". Films showed that the stall doors opened co-incident with the other runners and that the horse just stood in its stall. Public Image had been off since September 19, 2008, at which time he had done the same thing. It will be placed on the Steward's List.

05/15/09⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	6,786	1,015,940.60
Satellites	6,783	2,046,854.00
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	1,053,780.10
Out -of-State	n/a	2,508,898.35
Total	13,569	\$6,625,473.05

SATURDAY

05/16/09¹

A.M DECLARATIONS

2nd race - #3 Brian The Brave (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$833.20

5th race - #6 Tribal Justice (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$1,545.00

6th race - #7 G.I.Betty (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$812.05

05/16/09²

RIDERS EXCUSED

Channing Hill was excused from his only mount of the day as he has packed his tack and is re-locating to Monmouth Park in New Jersey. Martin Garcia was excused from his final mount of the day for personal reasons. Replacement riders were named.

05/16/09³

DELAY IN PRICES

A ten minute delay in the posting of pari-mutuel prices for the eighth race took place as the QDC East hub in Sacramento did not acknowledge the "stop betting" information sent at the start of the race. Consequently, thirty three betting sites on the East Coast had to be backed out of the wagering pool. A letter of explanation will be included with this set of minutes.

05/16/09⁴

LATE DECLARATION

#13 Committed to Party was a late declaration from the tenth race as its rider, Martin Lomeli, failed to show in the Jockeys' Room and there was no rider available to pick up the mount. The refund amounted to \$4,431.50

05/16/09⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	8,849	2,931,545.30
Satellites	19,613	6,975,989.00

TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	1,380,622.00
Out –of-State	n/a	5,739,961.44
Total	28,462	\$17,028,117.74

SUNDAY
05/17/09¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

6th race - #1 Wada Falls (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$1,762.85

7th race - #1 Scilly (Veterinarian-injured)
#4 Spanish Ice (Veterinarian-injured) refund of \$3,677.20

8th race - #4 Lockford (Stakes) refund of \$710.60

05/17/09²

RULING HRTH #021

Jockey **BRICE BLANC**, is fined **THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (b) (Use of Whips) on May 3, 2009.

This ruling was issued after a hearing with the rider into a complaint which stated that “Hollywood Calling”, which finished first in the second race at Hollywood Park on May 3, 2009, was observed to have welts on the right flank upon arrival at the test barn following the race. The rider said he only hit the filly four times during the race and that the whip he was carrying was supposed to be kinder on horses. Unfortunately, photos of the horse taken in the test barn showed four distinct welt marks on the flank.

05/17/09³

MINUS POOL

A minus pool of \$8,756.18 was created in the eighth race when #8 So Hottie, the odds-on favorite at 1/2, proved an easy winner.

05/17/09⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	5,030	1,501,416.10
Satellites	7,337	2,812,767.60
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	1,158,982.10
Out –of-State	n/a	3,676,288.80
Total	12,367	9,149,454.60

ADDITIONS/REMOVALS FROM VET-LIST

Week of: 05-11-09 – 05-17-09

Track: Hollywood

Horses on Vet List: 25
Horses off Vet List: 14
Shockwave Therapy: 30
Deceased: 2
Medication: 13

SUMMARY

	May 13	May 14	May 15	May 16	May 17		Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0		0	1
Cal-Bred Races	2	0	0	1	1		4	26
Claims	1	2	3	0	1		7	16
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0		0	2
Inquiries	1	1	1	0	0		3	6
Refunds	3	4	5	4	3		19	106
Rulings	2	1	3	0	1		7	21

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ward, Steward

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward