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

Hollywood Park

**To the California Horse Racing Board**

Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr. Governor  
Honorable Keith Brackpool, Chairman  
Honorable David Israel, Vice-Chairman  
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Honorable Jesse H. Choper, Member  
Honorable Bo Derek, Member  
Honorable Richard A. Rosenberg, Member  
Honorable Chuck Winner, Member  
Kirk E. Breed, Executive Director  
Jacqueline Wagner, Assistant Executive Director

**WEEK 10-Sunday, June 24, 2012-Saturday, June 30, 2012**

**SUNDAY**

06/24/12<sup>1</sup>

**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

3<sup>rd</sup> race - #3 Woodman's Lass (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$867.60  
9<sup>th</sup> race - #6 Salty Gal (Veterinarian-sick)  
#13 A Little Luckier (Also eligible) see 6-24-12<sup>4</sup> minute entry

06/24/12<sup>2</sup>

**RIDER EXCUSED**

Jockey Brice Blanc was excused from his lone mount of the day as he was suffering from a sinus infection. A replacement rider was named.

06/24/12<sup>3</sup>

**FORMAL HEARING HELD**

A formal hearing into complaints filed by the Board against trainer Robert Free and owner Eva Cordero took place this morning. Free, who was represented by attorney Barbara Irving, was charged with violation of rules #1502(Program Trainer Prohibited) and #1896(Assistant or Substitute Trainer). Ms. Cordero was charged with violation of rule #1481(Occupational Licenses and Fees) by working out of her license category. The circumstances which prompted the complaint are as follows: On May 13, 2012, owner Eva Cordero brought two horses to Hollywood Park to work under the name of Robert Free as trainer. One of the horses, "Bear Mountain", collapsed after the work, most likely due to exhaustion caused by poor conditioning. The horse had been placed on the Veterinarian's list back in 2009 due to soundness issues and had not raced since.

Official Veterinarian Jill Bailey testified that when she observed the horse it was off in the right knee, but could not offer an opinion as to pre-work soundness. Mr. Free, who is suffering from advanced Parkinson's

disease, testified that he had not seen the horse in question for at least two weeks and did not realize that Ms. Cordero was bringing the horse in to work. In fact, due to his health situation, he had only seen the horse twice in six months at Cordero's ranch. Ms. Cordero testified that she had spoken with Mr. Free two days before the work and told him that she would be taking "Bear Mountain" to work at Hollywood Park.

Based on testimony, the Stewards determined that Mr. Free was not, in fact, the trainer of "Bear Mountain" and that he did not violate the rules cited in the complaint. Ms. Cordero, however, due to her close involvement with the situation, was working as a trainer and therefore working out of her license category. A decision on her penalty will be reached soon.

06/24/12<sup>4</sup>

**MINUS POOL**

A minus pool was created in the eighth race when #4 Capital Plan, odds on at 4-5, proved an easy winner. There was a total of \$32,150.83 needed to balance the pools.

06/24/12<sup>5</sup>

**LATE DECLARATION**

A late declaration in the ninth race occurred as #11 Wink And Wish, trained by Thomas Blincoe, had to be scratched as it received Lasix when it was not on the approved bleeder list. The refund amounted to \$7,660.64.

06/24/12<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On-Track	3,776	\$950,806.70
Satellites	6,743	\$2,450,497.80
ADW	n/a	\$1,032,679.20
Out of state	n/a	\$3,710,208.52
Total	10,519	\$8,144,192.22

**THURSDAY**

06/28/12<sup>1</sup>

**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

2<sup>nd</sup> race - #7 Champagneformybaby (Veterinarian-injured) refund of \$404.34  
 5<sup>th</sup> race - #4 Confucius Junior (Veterinarian-injured) refund of \$1,25.50  
 7<sup>th</sup> race - #9 A Toast To You (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$4,039.60

06/28/12<sup>2</sup>

**FORMAL FINANCIAL HEARING**

A formal hearing was held this morning into complaint #12SA116, filed by Owner Shirley Kimball against Owner Sharla Sanders for a past due board bill of nearly \$40,000. The complaint was originally heard in an informal setting at Santa Anita in April, at which time Ms. Sanders signed a financial agreement to settle the complaint. She subsequently appealed the matter and due to the fact that there was no transcript, the case was remanded back to the Stewards for a formal hearing.

Present at the hearing were the Respondent, Ms. Sharla Sanders, accompanied by her attorney, Suzanne Porrizzo; the Complainant, Ms. Shirley Kimball, in the company of her attorney, Kevin Carey; the Board of Stewards and court reporter Barbara Weinstein.

Although the Stewards were hopeful to hear the case in its entirety this morning, Respondent's attorney offered documentation which challenged the Stewards' authority to hear the case. Ms. Porrizzo and her client were of the opinion that California Horse Racing Board rule

#1876(Financial Responsibility) was not intended to include board bills for “rescue horses”, which comprised the entire bill. Ms. Madeline Auerbach, the head of CARMA, an entity which provides funding to various horse rescue operations, testified as to her observations of discussions by the Board when expanding the parameters of the financial rule. She said that the discussions did not include rescue operations, but did not specifically exclude them. After listening to arguments from both sides, the Stewards rejected counsel’s argument and concluded that the case could move forward.

Due to time constraints, it was decided to carry over the matter to Del Mar. In the interim, Ms. Sanders will send Ms. Kimball a ‘good faith gesture’ check in the amount of \$10,000.00.

06/28/12<sup>3</sup>

**RULING HRTH #039**

Groom **HERNAN DIAZ**, having appeared as ordered, is restored to good standing. Ruling HRTH #025, issued on June 10, 2012 at Betfair Hollywood Park, is set aside.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Diaz responded to the complaint filed against him. Another hearing date will be scheduled.

06/28/12<sup>4</sup>

**PHOTO FINISH MALFUNCTION-NO PICTURE**

Immediately after the finish of the fourth race, Photo Finish technician Tammy Boag informed the Stewards that due to a camera malfunction there was no photo finish image available. The Placing Judges were aware of the situation and compared their numbers with those of the Stewards. All five officials were in agreement. Additionally, the video of the race was run at slow motion speed through the finish line area to further verify the numbers. The camera was working for the next race and throughout the day.

06/28/12<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On-Track	2,106	\$510,104.50
Satellites	4,381	\$1,576,715.30
ADW	n/a	\$628,449.60
Out of state	n/a	\$2,601,633.85
Total	6,487	\$5,316,903.25

**FRIDAY**

06/29/12<sup>1</sup>

**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

4<sup>th</sup> race - #1 Megaride (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$3,851.10

5<sup>th</sup> race - #9 Appetizing (Veterinarian-injured) refund of \$1,951.60

7<sup>th</sup> race - #5 Isle Of Prado (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$2,840.40

06/29/12<sup>2</sup>

**RULING HRTH #040**

Groom **RUBEN TORRES GARCIA**, having appeared as ordered, is restored to good standing. Ruling HRTH #005, issued on May 4, 2012 at Betfair Hollywood Park, is set aside.

This ruling was entered after Mr. Garcia appeared in response to the complaint filed against him. A hearing will be set on the original complaint.

06/29/12<sup>3</sup>

All matters during the course of the program were routine.

06/29/12<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On-Track	5,083	\$702,042.40
Satellites	5,526	\$1,722,193.30
ADW	n/a	\$974,273.50
Out of state	n/a	\$2,709,082.81
Total	10,609	\$6,107,592.01

**SATURDAY**

06/30/12<sup>1</sup>

**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

1<sup>st</sup> race - #3 Mahogany Ridge (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$2,270.66

4<sup>th</sup> race - #6 Red Flags Flying (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$1,920.70

6<sup>th</sup> race - #4 Don Tito (Stakes) refund of \$395.80

06/30/12<sup>2</sup>

**RULING HRTH #041**

Owner **EVA CORDERO** is fined **FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)\*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1481(Occupational License and Fees-training without a valid license).

This ruling was issued to finalize case #12HP040, filed against Ms. Cordero for working out of her license category.(Ref 6-24-12<sup>3</sup>)

06/30/12<sup>3</sup>

**RULING HRTH #042**

Veterinarian **KEITH LATSON**, pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty For Late Declaration), is fined **FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)\*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication-treatment of a horse not on the bleeder list) for causing the late declaration of "Wink and Wash" from the ninth race on June 24, 2012 at Betfair Hollywood Park.

The preceding ruling was issued after a telephone hearing with the doctor into his treating a Tom Blincoe trained filly with Lasix when she was not, in fact, on the approved list. Dr. Latson was candid and accepted full responsibility for the error. (ref. 6/24/12<sup>5</sup>)

06/30/12<sup>4</sup>

**RULING HRTH #043**

Owner/trainer **LYLE TOWELL** is fined **FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\*** pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1489(c) (Grounds for Refusal or Denial of License-misrepresentation on license renewal application). Mr. Towell is further ordered to resubmit his license application.

This ruling was issued after a formal hearing into Mr. Towell's failure to note a DUI conviction in 2010. Mr. Towell took responsibility for the error, stating that he was under the impression that it would not be on his record.

06/30/12<sup>5</sup>

**BACKSTRETCH RULINGS**

A total of twenty one rulings were issued this morning involving minor backstretch violations during the current meeting.

06/30/12<sup>6</sup>

**REFUND**

A refund was ordered in the tenth race as #6 Silver Lightning became fractious in the starting gate and suffered an injury to a hoof. The refund totaled \$31,269.45.

06/30/12<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On-Track	4,727	\$1,448,686.90
Satellites	7,970	\$3,261,582.50
ADW	n/a	\$1,455,336.10
Out of state	n/a	\$5,819,321.10
Total	12,697	\$11,984,926.60

**WEEKLY SUMMARY**

**ATTENDANCE REPORT** - The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

**VETERINARIAN REPORT** - WEEK OF 06/18/12-06/24/12

HORSES ON VET LIST 17  
 Horses off Vet List 6  
 Shock Wave Therapy 32  
 Deceased 1  
 Medication 6

**SUMMARY**

	Sun 06/24	Thur 06/28	Fri 06/29	Sat 06/30	Week	Meet
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	12
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	4
Rulings	0	1	1	24	26	64
Refunds	3	3	3	4	13	163
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	4
Claims	9	5	5	3	22	134
Cal-Bred Races	1	0	3	1	5	52

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ward, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward

**WEEKLY SATELLITE ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

**Sunday, June 24, 2012 through Saturday, June 30, 2012**

<b>BARONA</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>\$212,601.80</b>
<b>CABAZON</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>\$181,474.10</b>
<b>COMMERCE</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>\$417,538.30</b>
<b>POMONA</b>	<b>2,405</b>	<b>\$879,402.40</b>
<b>LAKE PERRIS</b>	<b>715</b>	<b>\$179,078.10</b>
<b>LANCASTER</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>\$179,189.20</b>
<b>LOS ALAMITOS</b>	<b>5,318</b>	<b>\$1,547,778.20</b>
<b>SAN CLEMENTE</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>\$166,945.30</b>
<b>SAN BERNARDINO</b>	<b>1,438</b>	<b>\$348,658.40</b>
<b>SANTA ANITA</b>	<b>5,811</b>	<b>\$2,122,622.60</b>
<b>SANTA BARBARA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>SANTA MARIA</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>\$60,906.00</b>
<b>SHALIMAR</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>\$50,772.40</b>
<b>SURFSIDE</b>	<b>2,270</b>	<b>\$724,686.50</b>
<b>SYCUAN</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>\$98,937.50</b>
<b>VENTURA</b>	<b>851</b>	<b>\$293,179.30</b>
<b>VICTORVILLE</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>\$91,702.10</b>
<b>VIEJAS</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>\$137,903.40</b>
<b>SATELLITE TOTAL</b>	<b>24,620</b>	<b>\$7,693,375.60</b>
<b>NO. CALIFORNIA</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$1,317,613.30</b>
<b>OUT-OF-STATE</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$13,010,095.28</b>
<b>ON-TRACK</b>	<b>15,692</b>	<b>\$3,611,640.50</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40,312</b>	<b>\$25,632,724.68</b>