



CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of July 23, 2019 through July 28, 2019.

Tuesday

7/23/2019

(1) **ENTRIES**

Steward Scott Chaney was present to oversee entries for this Friday night.

Wednesday

7/24/2019

(1) **ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Scott Chaney was present to oversee entries for Saturday night and changes to Friday's card.

Thursday

7/25/2019

(1) **ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Scott Chaney was present to oversee entries for Sunday night and changes to Saturday's card.

Friday

7/26/2019

(1) **FILM REVIEW**

Jockey OSCAR ANDRADE JR was due in to review his crop use during the fifth race on Sunday. While he failed to appear, we nevertheless examined the video and verified the violation. We therefore published the following ruling:

RULING # 195

JOCKEY OSCAR ANDRADE JR. IS FINED ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-SECOND OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 21, 2019.

(2) MONTES HEARING AND RULING

Tonight, was the continuation of case number 19LA0126 which was a complaint filed by the CHRB against trainer DANNY MONTES alleging a Phenylbutazone positive. Apparently at the initial hearing there was some confusion about the lack of a reported level under the new regulation. That was sorted out, explained and Mr. Montes accepted the following ruling:

RULING # 194

TRAINER DANNY MONTES, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "EAGLE TRAVELS", THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE THIRD RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 25, 2019, IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A & D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), AND #1843.1 (A) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES-PHENYLBUTAZONE).

(3) WALLACE HEARING

Trainer JERRY WALLACE came to the office for an informal hearing into case number 19LA0098 which alleged a dexamethasone positive in one of his runners. (Note: He also has another pending positive for the same medication at Santa Anita/Del Mar). Despite the fact that the positive happened several months ago, he was agitated because it is the fifth one in the last few years. After the last reported positive for which he paid a \$1000 fine, he removed all of the dexamethasone from his barn and prohibited the veterinarian from giving it to his horses because he assumed it was human error. After receiving two more positives, however, he delved further into the matter and determined what he believes to be the source. His veterinary practice, Equine Sports Medicine, regularly prescribed a throat flush that contained dexamethasone (but failed to include that fact on the label) and only really warned not to use the substance on race day. Clearly, if this substance is to blame for the positive, the label was not exactly helpful in terms of what it contained or when it should be withdrawn. Apparently, there is some discussion with the investigative staff regarding filing a complaint against the veterinarian, but as of yet, that has not been initiated. Decision to follow.

(4) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race #6 Avo – Rider change – F. Johnson for C. Aragon (sick)
2nd Race #3 Rockin My Mojo – Claimed – J. Farias, trainer
3rd Race #8 Latin Charm – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Jenkins
#1 Gayebird – Rider change – R. Guce for C. Aragon
#6 Blazing Miss – Rider change – E. Garcia for M. Arana (sick)

Refund \$161.00
 4th Race #6 Brighton Boy – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Jenkins
 #5 Moon Juice – Claimed – R. Trela, trainer
 #5 Moon Juice – Claim VOIDED – returns to P. Oviedo, trainer
 Refund \$175.00
 5th Race #2 La Lolita – Rider change – F. Johnson for C. Aragon
 6th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
 7th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
 8th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance: 549	On Track Handle:	\$74,148.90
Off Track Attendance: <u>1,790</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$305,787.50
Total: 2,339	Out of State:	<u>\$715,648.95</u>
		\$1,095,585.35

Saturday
 7/27/2019

(1) FILM REVIEW

Jockey MINOR ARANA was in this office to review his ride from the fourth race last Sunday after which his mount was disqualified for interfering with two rivals. Video showed that on several occasions Mr. Arana uses his riding crop right handed and his horse responds by moving in. After doing this three times, he puts sufficient pressure on the two horses to his inside that they both steady. The rider offered no excuse for the interference and accepted the following penalty:

RULING # 196

JOCKEY MINOR ARANA, WHO RODE “LA VITA DOLCE” IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 21, 2019, IS SUSPENDED FOR TWO RACING DAYS (2) (AUGUST 2ND AND 3RD, 2019) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE IN THE STRETCH, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM SECOND TO FIFTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES-CARELESS RIDING). PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES), THE TERM OF SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES.

(2) WALLACE RULING

After considering the evidence heard last night during the hearing with trainer JERRY WALLACE, we issued the ruling that follows. We felt that while the trainer insurer rule requires some culpability, he was also somewhat a victim of poor veterinary practices.

RULING #197

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (a) (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE), TRAINER JERRY WALLACE, WHO STARTED THE HORSE “CHOCOLATE MESS”, THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE SECOND RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 10, 2019, IS FINED TWO

THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500.00)* AND PLACED ON PROBATION FOR ONE YEAR (JULY 29, 2019 THROUGH JULY 28, 2020) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (a, b, AND d)(MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES); #1843.1 (a) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES); #1844.1 (SUSPENSION OF AUTHORIZED MEDICATION) AND #1844 (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-DEXAMETHASONE-CLASS IV/PENALTY CLASS C VIOLATION). THE FINE WILL BE STAYED PROVIDED TRAINER JERRY WALLACE DOES NOT HAVE A DEXAMETHASONE VIOLATION DURING THE PROBATION PERIOD.

(3) INQUIRY/NO CHANGE

Following the running of the fourth race, we posted the inquiry sign to examine an incident midrace involving third place finisher #6 Matilda Czech (J. Roman) and last place finisher #7 Jacque On Fire (C. Franco). Video revealed that #6 drifts out causing #7 to steady sharply. We unanimously agreed that this action constituted interference but the majority (Dreyer dissenting) believed that it did cost #6 a better placing because he was racing last when the incident occurred and finished last, several lengths behind the field.

(4) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 2nd Race #5 Topock Gorge – Claimed – J. Farias, trainer
#7 Monster Hand – Claimed – V. Zamudio, trainer
- 3rd Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 4th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 5th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 6th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 7th Race #1 Sassy Favorite – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Jenkins
Refund \$111.00
- 8th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 9th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 10th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 11th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 12th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance: 1,257	On Track Handle:	\$235,210.70
Off Track Attendance: <u>1,893</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$441,788.70
Total: 3,150	Out of State:	<u>\$1,274,251.71</u>
		\$1,951,251.11

Sunday
7/28/2019

(1) FILM REVIEW

Jockey JUAN PABLO LEON came to the office to review his crop use in the fourth race last night. He acknowledged that he struck his horse more than three times in succession without giving her a chance to respond:

RULING # 198

JOCKEY JUAN PABLO LEON IS FINED ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE

RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-SECOND OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE RUNNING OF THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 27, 2019.

Jockeys ERASMO GASCA, RUBEN LOZANO, LUIS RAMIREZ chose not to attend film review this evening. We nevertheless examined their crop use in their respective races, and issued the following rulings:

RULING # 199

JOCKEY ERASMO GASCA IS FINED ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-SECOND OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE RUNNING OF THE SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 27, 2019.

RULING # 200

JOCKEY RUBEN LOZANO IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-FIRST OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE NINTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 27, 2019.

RULING # 201

JOCKEY LUIS RAMIREZ IS FINED TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-THIRD OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE TWELFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 27, 2019.

Jockey JONATHAN ROMAN came to the office to review his ride in the fourth race last night. His mount was the subject of an inquiry for drifting out. He really offered no defense other than to say that he should have done a better job. We issued the following ruling:

RULING # 202

JOCKEY JONATHON ROMAN, WHO RODE "MATILDA CZECH" IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 27, 2019, IS SUSPENDED FOR TWO RACING DAYS (2) (AUGUST 4TH AND 9TH, 2019) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE AND CAUSING INTERFERENCE. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES- CARELESS RIDING). PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766

(DESIGNATED RACES), THE TERM OF SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES.

(2) MOOREFIELD HEARING

We held a formal hearing into a financial dispute between trainer ERIC BERMAN and owner ROY MOOREFIELD. Case number 19LA0108 was filed by the trainer alleging unpaid training bills. We were familiar with the case because we heard it informally and brokered a settlement. Unfortunately, the parties did not go through with the settlement, which necessitated a formal hearing. Present were the Board of Stewards, Mr. Berman, Mr. Moorefield, and Mr. Moorefield's representative. Michelle Derieg recorded the proceedings. The hearing was somewhat acrimonious. Mr. Berman presented some bills and invoices and accused Mr. Moorefield of not paying. Mr. Moorefield accused Mr. Berman of not providing adequate bills and not training his horse properly. We considered the evidence and issued the following ruling:

RULING #203

OWNER ROY MOOREFIELD IS RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING. RULING #162, ISSUED AT LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION ON JUNE 30, 2019 IS SET ASIDE. ADDITIONALLY, ROY MOOREFIELD IS ORDERED TO PAY TRAINER ERIC BERMAN A TOTAL OF \$3,255.00 BY AUGUST 4, 2019.

(3) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 2nd Race #5 Parasail – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Jenkins
#6 Blooming Hannah – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Jenkins
#1 Cioppino Pasadino – Claimed – D. Azcarate, trainer
#4 Foxy Fresh – Claimed – L. Ruiz, trainer
#4 Foxy Fresh – Claim VOIDED – returns to J. Wallace, trainer
Refund \$299.00
- 3rd Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 4th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00
- 5th Race #4 Hookn Up N Hangout – Late veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Jenkins Refund \$19,374.00
- 6th Race #4 Royal Five Bar – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Beck
Refund \$396.00
- 7th Race #6 Childhood – Rider change – V. Bednar for C. Huerta (injured)
- 8th Race No changes; Refund \$0.00

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	611	On Track Handle:	\$87,247.60
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,736</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$312,411.60
Total:	2,347	Out of State:	<u>\$780,432.33</u>
			\$1,180,091.53

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on July 28, 2019. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period, 11 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 7 for soundness, 3 for injury, and 1 for sickness. One horse previously on the

Veterinarian's List was examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward C. Scott Chaney.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
SUMMARY**

2019

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 7/26	SAT 7/27	SUN 7/28	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	2
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	12	0	12	23
CLAIMS			R		1	2	1	4	162
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	23
INQUIRIES	D				0	1	0	1	46
REFUNDS		A			2	1	3	6	258
RULINGS			Y		2	2	6	10	203
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	1	0	1	2	33

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards Scott Chaney, James Dreyer, Tom Ward and Safety Steward Dave Nuesch were in attendance during this reporting period.

Scott Chaney (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)

Tom Ward (Steward)

David Nuesch (Safety Steward)