

California Horse Racing Board

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

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of June 23, 2020 through June 28, 2020.

Tuesday
06/23/2020

(1) **DUTY STEWARD**

James Dreyer will be in the office this week to attend to morning chores including recording the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The sixth race in the book, maidens three and up, failed to generate any interest.

(3) **THE DRAW**

The Thoroughbreds are back. Our seven race program will be comprised of a mere forty three horses.

Wednesday
06/24/2020

(1) **SCRATCHES**

Scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m. with no changes or declarations on Friday's program.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$16,000 claim, was off with one Cal-Bred.

(3) **THE DRAW**

The program will be divided evenly with four Thoroughbred and an equal number of Quarter Horse races Saturday evening.

Thursday
06/25/2020

(1) **SCRATCHES**

Two equipment and one rider change completed Saturday's program corrections.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for \$8,000, was called off with one. O Cal-Breds.

(3) THE DRAW

Sunday evenings feature race will honor World Champion Vandys Flash.

Friday
06/26/2020

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time resulted in no changes or declarations on Sunday's program.

(2) RULINGS #144

Ruling #144

APPRENTICE JOCKEY VICTOR J. FLORES IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT) AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JUNE 21, 2020.

The above ruling was issued after apprentice Flores rode the last race of the afternoon at Santa Anita and then was unable to get to Los Alamitos in time to honor his obligation in the first race here.

(3) RULING #145

Ruling #145

JOCKEY JUAN PABLO LEON IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1683 (MAXIMUM OVERWEIGHT), RESULTING IN A LATE RIDER CHANGE IN THE SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JUNE 21, 2020.

The above ruling was issued after jockey Leon was unable to get within the seven pound limit in Sundays sixth race.

(4) COMPLAINT #20LA0087

A formal hearing was convened today to address the above complaint. Present were trainer Amezcua, this Board of Stewards, investigator Kevin Kitashima and Michelle Derieg recorded the proceedings. Trainer Amezcua testified that he had no idea how "Piety" could have gotten Clenbuterol into his system. According to Gerardo the horse never left his barn after he claimed it. The investigators found no clenbuterol in his barn. Amezcua has no grooms so no one cared for the horse but him. The gelding was hair tested and proved negative for Clenbuterol. A proposed decision will be submitted to the Board concerning this complaint.

(5) FINE EVENING

Friday evening was conducted with nothing of significance to note.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race #2 Back Home (A. Aquino) –Unsound- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$241.70

(7) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$0.00
Off track	0	\$0.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,281,374.91
Total	0	\$1,281,374.91

Saturday
06/27/2020

(1) INELIGIBLE HORSE

Trainers Sal Naranjo and Jeff Metz were in our office today concerning "See Through It". The horse ran in last evening's second race. Following the race, we were informed "See Through It" was not out of jail when he entered for Friday evenings race which made him ineligible for the race. To add to the dilemma Sal dropped a claim for the horse and won a shake. Both trainers were very accommodating, accepting the explanation that it was a mistake by the racing office.

The horse will be returned to Jeff's barn this afternoon and rulings will be issued rescinding the claim and disqualifying "See Through It".

(2) CLAIM VOIDED

The third race claim of "Tapitha Bonita" by trainer Santos Perez was voided after Dr. Beck placed her on the vets list as unsound. She was returned to trainer Keith Craigmyle.

(3) CLAIM VOIDED

The fourth race claim of "Cannes" by trainer Charles Treece was voided after Dr. Beck put the gelding on the vet's list as unsound. He was returned to trainer Oscar Heredia.

(4) CLAIM VOIDED

The fifth race claim of "Situation Room" by trainer Ricardo Guillen was voided after he was placed on the vets list as unsound by Dr. Beck. He was returned to trainer Paul Jones.

(5) BROKEN REINS

About one hundred yards into the eighth race the right rein broke on number four "Injuns Caritas Pgs" ridden by Jose Nicasio. He was doing a commendable job until just passed the finish when the left rein snapped unseating him. He walked into the ambulance but his condition is unknown at this time.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #3 Dabzilla (K. Craigmyle) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$183.80.
 3rd Race #3 Lovely Storm (S. Rivera) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$61.60.
 4th Race #4 Chocolate Mess (J. Nunez) –Unsound-Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$38.09.
 4th Race #5 Conejos (R. Guillen) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$259.61.
 5th Race #5 Macs Tac (J. Farias) –Injured in gate- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$17,804.20
 7th Race #1 Ms Racy Eagle (M. Robbins) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$105.46.
 7th Race #2 Steamy (S. Willoughby) –Broke through gate and ran off- Stewards Refund \$20,142.86

(7) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$0.00
Off track	0	\$0.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,162,791.77
Total	0	\$1,162,791.77

Sunday
06/28/2020

(1) RULING #146

Ruling #146

FARRIER JUAN GARCIA, HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JUNE 27, 2020 TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE #20LA0059, ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1489 (a) (7) (8) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE), #1890 (a) (POSSESSION OF CONTRABAND-NEEDLE, AND SYRINGE AND STOLEN PROPERTY) AND #1900 (GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION), IS HEREBY SUSPENDED PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR). SUSPENSION TO COMMENCE ON JUNE 27, 2020.

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF JUAN GARCIA ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE). SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

The above ruling was issued after Farrier Juan Garcia failed to appear to address complaint #20LA0059.

(2) RULING #147

Ruling #147

ON 06/26/2020 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACECOURSE THE HORSE "SEE THROUGH IT" TRAINED BY JEFFERY METZ RAN IN THE 2ND RACE FINISHING 1ST. THE HORSE WAS CLAIMED FROM THIS RACE BY SAL NARANJO FOR \$3,200.00. SOMETIME AFTER THE RUNNING OF THE RACE THE STEWARDS BECAME AWARE THAT THE HORSE WAS INELIGIBLE TO RACE HAVING ENTERED WITHIN 25 DAYS FOR A CLAIMING PRICE NOT 25% HIGHER THAN A RACE HE WAS CLAIMED FROM AND WON. CHRB RULE (B)(1), 1588 (A)(7).

THE HORSE "SEE THROUGH IT" IS DISQUALIFIED, THE CLAIM VOIDED THE PURSE MONIES ORDERED REDISTRIBUTED.

REVISED ORDER OF FINISH:

SPEEDY RIDE 1ST
BONMONT 2ND
VERYNSKY 3RD
SHARED 4TH
US LAWMAN 5TH
SEE THROUGH IT – DISQUALIFIED

The above ruling was issued after meeting with trainer Sal Naranjo and Jeff Metz (Refer 6/27/20-#1).

(3) INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the first race to review an incident mid turn. #1 "Love And Hold" (2nd E. Rojas) drifted out on the turn causing #5 "Big Fast Cat" (4th F. Rojas) to take up rather sharply. After speaking to the riders involved and a review of the incident the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify "Love And Hold" for impeding "Big Fast Cat's" progress.

Original Order 2-(1)-6-5
Official Order 2-6-5-(1)

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #3 Kluteville (C. Treece) –Sick- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$196.07.
1st Race #4 Super Cal (R. Lucas) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$93.03.
6th Race #3 One Fast Chance (S. Willoughby) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$427.00

(5) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$0.00
Off track	0	\$0.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,330,337.35
Total	0	\$1,330,337.35

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on June 28, 2020. Three equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period, 19 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List: 9 for soundness, 7 for injury, 1 for sickness and 2 for shock wave therapy. Nine horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

2020

SUMMARY

	Wed	Thurs	Fri 06/26	Sat 06/27	Sun 06/28	Week	Meet
Accidents	D		0	0	0	0	3
Cal-Bred Races	A		0	0	0	0	0
Claims	R		3	4	3	10	177
Disqualifications	K		0	0	1	1	25
Inquiries		D	0	0	1	1	42
Refunds		A	1	7	3	11	262
Rulings		Y	2	0	2	4	141
Voided Claims		S	0	3	0	3	27

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards James Dreyer, David Nuesch, Richard Williams, and Safety Steward Ron Church were in attendance during this reporting period.

James Dreyer, Steward

David Nuesch, Steward

Richard Williams, Steward

Ron Church, Safety Steward