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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 October 23, 2007 through October 28, 2007.

TUESDAY

10/23/2007

- (1) DUTY STEWARD
James Dreyer will cover morning duties and record the minutes during this reporting period.
- (2) SCRATCHES
Scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m. with one rider switch being the only change on Thursday's program.
- (3) CAL-BRED REPORT
The fourth race in the book for CAL-BREDS was called off with insufficient entries.
- (4) THE DRAW
Ten races will be offered Friday evening consisting of two Thoroughbred and eight Quarter Horse races.

WEDNESDAY

10/24/2007

- (1) SCRATCHES
Scratch time produced four rider changes and one scratch.
- (2) CAL-BRED REPORT
The third race in the book for CAL-BREDS was used open attracting only three CAL-BREDS.

(3) THE DRAW

Eleven races will be offered Saturday evening including one Arabian, three Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races.

THURSDAY

10/25/2007

(1) SCRATCHES

Four scratches and numerous rider changes were handled at scratch time.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race in the book for CAL-BREDS was called off with three entries.

(3) THE DRAW

Two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races will complete Sunday evening's program.

(4) FLORES RULINGRULING # 230

TRAINER JOSE ANTONIO FLORES IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1865 (ALTERING OF SEX OF HORSE – FAILURE TO REPORT GELDING) ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2007.

The above ruling was issued after speaking with Jose telephonically and getting no input to support his excuse that he informed the racing office. The papers still said colt.

(5) TARABA RULINGRULING # 231

VETERINARIAN KEITH TARABA IS FINED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARDS (\$2,000.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES # 1864 (LABELING OF MEDICATIONS), AND # 1842 (VETERINARIAN REPORT).

The above ruling was issued following a recorded hearing with Dr. Keith Taraba. Dr. Taraba's only defense was his impending marriage, which had interfered with his normal routine. Dr. Taraba was fined \$1,000.00 in July of 2006, for incomplete confidentials prompting the substantial fine.

(6) PORRECA RULINGRULING # 232

HAVING SATISFIED A DEBT TO EQUINE SPORTS MEDICINE, OWNER ANTHONY PORRECA IS HEREBY RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING. RULING # 221 ISSUED AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON OCTOBER 12, 2007 FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR, IS HEREBY SET ASIDE.

The above ruling was issued after speaking with Ann Gravenmier from Equine Sports Medicine in which she informed us that Mr. Porreca had paid his debt in full.

(7) HERMOSILLO RULINGRULING # 233

GROOM JOSE A. HERMOSILLO IS SUSPENDED PENDING APPEARANCE BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS TO ANSWER TO ALLEGED CHARGES FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1489 (H) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE), AND #1902 (CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO HORSE RACING).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF JOSE A. HERMOSILLO ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS) SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES WITHIN THIS JURISDICTION.

The above ruling was issued following the appearance of groom Jose A. Hermosillo in which he admitted to the use of meth but refused to submit a drug test.

(8) FILMS

Jockey J.R. Ramirez was in to review the fourth race Friday evening. He explained that the Assistant Starter had his mount pointed to the inside causing his mount to break that direction. That was conceded however he was still slow in reacting to the situation.

(9) FILMS

Jockey Eulices Gomez stopped in as requested to watch the second race Sunday. His mount "Out Of The Rain," the eventual winner, broke out at the start, making it a little tight on the outside horses. We wanted him to take a look at it feeling he could have made a better effort.

(10) FILMS

Joel Valdez was in to see the first race Sunday evening. His mount was on a constant drift as he continued to whip his horse making no effort to straighten him up. Fortunately he was clear when he crossed in front of the horses behind him.

(11) FILMS

Joel Cruz was in to see the first race Sunday. His mount ducked in sharply shortly before the wire. His explanation was that his mount ducked from the horse on the outside of him. The outside horse does appear to come in slightly but the Stewards felt the real culprit was Joel's constant right hand whip.

(12) INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry sign was posted following the eighth race to review an incident in mid-stretch. "Eye Am Running" (Rodrigo Aceves) breaking from post nine appeared to duck in sharply about the eighth pole causing "Pay Czech" (Sam Thompson) # 6 to take up depriving him of any chance at a better placing. After speaking with the riders involved and reviewing the films the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify "Eye Am Running" from fourth and place him last.

(13) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race - # 7 Amethyst Nunn (Tr. D. Ekins) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$8.00.

2nd Race - # 2 Heavensmiles (Tr. A. Ortiz) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$52.00.

3 Goody For You (Tr. F. Gonzalez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$27.00.

3rd Race - # 2 Little Perks (Tr. J. Flores) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$11.00.

5th Race - # 4 WMA Newest Style (Tr. J. Partin) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$3.00.

(14) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	779	On Track Handle:	\$148,789
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,775</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$268,281
Total:	2,544	Out of State:	<u>\$430,314</u>
		Total:	\$847,383

FRIDAY

10/26/2007

(1) SCRATCHES

Two rider changes were the only corrections on Sunday's program.

(2) JENSEN RULING

RULING # 234

JOCKEY CODY JENSEN, IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT) ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2007.

The above ruling was issued after speaking with Cody and suggesting that in the future he should book a flight that will get him here in a more timely manner.

(3) WILLIAMS RULING

RULING # 235

JOCKEY JEFF WILLIAMS IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT) ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2007.

The above ruling was issued after speaking with Jeff by phone. He accepted full responsibility and said he would be more careful in the future.

(4) AVILA AND BRINDLEY RULINGS

RULING # 236

OWNER DAVID G. AVILA, HAVING RECEIVED NOTICE, AND HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON OCTOBER 25, 2007 TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE # 07LA0202, ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1876 (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY) IS HEREBY SUSPENDED PENDING APPEARANCE BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR).

DURING THE TERM OF THE SUSPENSION ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF DAVID G. AVILA ARE SUSPENDED 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 Mr. Avila failed to appear as instructed in case # 07LA0202.

RULING # 237

OWNER JOHN B. BRINDLEY, HAVING RECEIVED NOTICE, AND HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON OCTOBER 25, 2007 TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE # 07LA0204, ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1876 (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY) IS HEREBY SUSPENDED PENDING APPEARANCE BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR).

DURING THE TERM OF THE SUSPENSION ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF JOHN B. BRINDLEY ARE SUSPENDED 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 Mr. Brindley failed to appear as instructed in case # 07LA0204.

(5) FILMS

Jockey Rodrigo Aceves was in to review the eighth race last evening in which his mount was disqualified, see 10/25/07 (12). Rodrigo said his mount ducked from the horse on the outside of him. This may have been a very minimal contributing factor however the bulk of the problem came from Rodrigo's mount.

(6) JOCKEYS MEETING

It appears enthusiasm for our weekly meetings may be waning a bit as only four riders appeared for our weekly meeting. After reviewing several films from last week the riders had no new issues to discuss so the gathering was adjourned.

(7) INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry was posted immediately following the second race to look into the start. "Sisters Fish" (Ramon Sanchez) # 4 broke in causing # 3 "Tonys Four" (Juan Andrade) to take up eliminating any chance he may have had. After speaking to jockey Juan Andrade through a translator and then with rider Sanchez and after watching the replay the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify "Sisters Fish" from second and place him ninth.

(8) LATE DECLARATIONS

8th Race - # 7 Hodge Money Crunch (J. Gomez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$37.00.

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,079	On Track Handle:	\$200,791
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,037</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$491,290
Total:	4,116	Out of State:	<u>\$702,785</u>
		Total:	\$1,394,866

SATURDAY

10/27/2007

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book for CAL-BREDS was called off with one entry.

(2) THE DRAW

Eight races will be offered Thursday evening consisting of one Arabian, one Thoroughbred, and six Quarter Horse races.

(3) FILMS

Rodrigo Aceves was by to watch the sixth race last evening. His mount, "Downright Secret" broke out badly putting # 5 "Movin Mountains" in tight quarters. After watching the rerun we felt Rodrigo's effort was sufficient and no action was warranted on our part.

(4) FILMS

Ramon Sanchez was in to watch the second race from last evening in which his mount was disqualified. After reviewing the race with him and listening to his explanation of the circumstances we decided to let him off with a warning.

(5) FILMS

Alex Bautista was in to review the sixth race last night. His mount broke in contributing to the woes of "Movin Mountain". The close up of the race shows Alex making an adequate effort to straighten his mount. We felt no action was justified.

(6) INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was posted following the eleventh race. "Bono Beat" (jockey Gary Boag) # 5 ducked in approximately one-hundred yards from the finish line causing Cody Jensen on # 4 "Katella Kandy" to take up to avoid clipping heels. After speaking with the riders involved and examining the replay the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify "Bono Beat" from second to sixth place.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

7th Race - # 7 Edee Rose (Tr. J. Partin) Stake, Stewards.
Refund: \$39.00

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1585	On Track Handle:	\$245,059
Off Track Attendance:	3419	Off Track Handle:	\$543,755
Total:	5004	Out of State:	<u>\$748,034</u>
		Total:	\$1,545,849

SUNDAY
10/28/2007

(1) RULING # 238RULING # 238

JOCKEY GARY BOAG WHO RODE "BONO BEAT" IN THE ELEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2007, IS SUSPENDED FOUR (4) RACING DAYS (NOVEMBER 4TH, 8TH, 9TH, AND 10TH, 2007) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE, RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM SECOND TO SIXTH POSITION. A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1699 (RIDING RULES – CARELESS RIDING).

THE TERM OF THIS SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES IN CALIFORNIA.

The above ruling was issued after meeting with Gary and discussing the replay of the eleventh race last evening. The Stewards felt his effort was a bit sub standard prompting the suspension.

(2) KICKING INCIDENT

Paul Jones was in to discuss an incident last night in which he kicked at one of his horses. Fortunately the majority of the incident was caught on tape. The filly was being extremely nasty having kicked jockey Cody Jenson in the hip prior to Paul's flare up. When Paul kicked at the filly she had just tried to cow kick Cody for the second time. We understand how a novice could jump to a wrong conclusion in a situation like this but to the trained eye it was obvious that Paul was neither being abusive nor over reacting.

(3) CLEAR SAILING

Sunday evening's program was presented with nothing of significance to report.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

5th Race - # 2 Sister Ann Louise (Tr. J. Nunez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$95.00

8th Race - # 5 Clydette Mia (Tr. D. Luna) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$199.00

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	681	On Track Handle:	\$186,029
Off Track Attendance:	2103	Off Track Handle:	\$538,356
Total:	2811	Out of State:	<u>\$519,921</u>
		Total:	\$1,244,306

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Vet</u>	<u>Refund</u>
10/25/2007	1	7	Amethyst Nunn	D. Ekins	Sick	Hackathorn	\$8
	2	2	Heavensmiles	A. Ortiz	Injured	Hackathorn	\$52
	2	3	Goody For You	F. Gonzalez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$27
	3	2	Little Perks	J. Flores	Injured	Hackathorn	\$11
	5	4	WMA Newest Style	J. Partin	Injured	Hackathorn	\$3
10/26/2007	8	7	Hodge Money Crunch	J. Gomez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$37
10/28/2007	5	2	Sister Ann Louise	J. Nunez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$95
	8	5	Clydette Mia	D. Luna	Injured	Hackathorn	\$199

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on October 28, 2007.

One equine death was reported this week due to racing injuries.

During this reporting period thirteen horses were added to the Veterinarian's

List as follows: five for soundness, four for injury and four for sickness.

Seventeen horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and
removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

SUMMARY

	MON	TUE	WED	THU 10/25	FRI 10/26	SAT 10/27	SUN 10/28	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			1	0	0	0	1	21
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	0	32
CLAIMS			R	3	6	6	2	17	163
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		1	1	1	0	3	70
INQUIRIES	D			1	1	1	0	3	133
REFUNDS		A		5	1	1	2	9	629
RULINGS			Y	4	4	0	1	9	238

Deleted: 9

Stewards' Attendance: James Dreyer, George Slender, and Albert Christiansen were in daily attendance during this reporting period.

 James Dreyer (Steward)

 George Slender (Steward)

 Albert Christiansen (Steward)