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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 June 3, 2008 through June 8, 2008.

**TUESDAY**  
06/03/2008

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Martin Hamilton was the duty Steward this week and attended to all morning office matters and recorded the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) SCRATCHES FOR THURSDAY

There was one declaration approved at the 9:00 a.m. scratch time for Thursday.

(3) ENTRIES FOR FRIDAY

Four Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races comprise the card for Friday. The draw was completed at 1:15 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**  
06/04/2008

(1) SCRATCHES FOR FRIDAY

Three rider changes were made at scratch time for Friday's program, supervised at 9:00 a.m.

(2) ENTRIES FOR SATURDAY

Thirteen trials to the "Ed Burke Million Futurity" were drawn for Saturday. The draw was completed without a hitch at 11:50 a.m.

**THURSDAY**

06/05/2008

(1) SCRATCHES FOR SATURDAY

One rider correction was the only change for the "Ed Burke" trials. Scratch time was at the customary 9:00 a.m.

(2) ENTRIES FOR SUNDAY

The racing office compiled a ten race card for Sunday consisting of two Arabian and eight Quarter Horse events. The draw was completed at 1:15 p.m.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race written for maiden two year olds, claiming price \$10,000, at a distance of 300 yards, failed to attract enough Cal-Breds (3) and was used open with eight going postward.

(4) DANNY MONTES (CASE# 08LA0104) REFER (5/29/08 (4))RULING #169

TRAINER DANNY MONTES WHO STARTED THE HORSE "SHABLAZIN", FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 28, 2008 IS FINED TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (A)(TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (A&D)(MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES) AND #1844 (B,E&F) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION – CLENBUTEROL IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVELS – CLASS III).

RULING # 170

ACTING UPON A REPORT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA DAVIS, AN OFFICIAL TESTING LABORATORY OF THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD, THAT URINE AND BLOOD SAMPLE# LA0835, TAKEN FROM THE HORSE "SHABLAZIN", THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 28, 2008, TESTED POSITIVE FOR CLENBUTEROL (CLASS III) IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVELS, IT IS ORDERED THAT "SHABLAZIN" BE DISQUALIFIED FROM ALL PURSE MONIES EARNED IN SAID RACE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1859.5 (DISQUALIFICATION UPON POSITIVE TEST).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT ALL PURSE MONIES (\$3,850.00) EARNED BY OWNERS ROBERT G. PARRA, TRAINER DANNY MONTES AND JOCKEY J.R. RAMIREZ BE RETURNED TO THE PAYMASTER OF PURSES AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON OR BEFORE JULY 5, 2008 FOR REDISTRIBUTION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1760 (PURSE AWARD OR PRIZE TO BE WITHHELD)

## REVISED ORDER OF FINISH IS AS FOLLOWS:

1 <sup>ST</sup>	LADY HUSKIES
2 <sup>ND</sup>	ESPECIALLY SEXY
3 <sup>RD</sup>	DYNAMIC DASHER
4 <sup>TH</sup>	SEDUCE
5 <sup>TH</sup>	CORONA DE KATELLA

ALL RECORDS ARE ORDERED TO REFLECT THIS RULING. IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1956 (RACE DECLARED OFFICIAL), THIS RULING SHALL NOT AFFECT THE PARI-MUTUEL PAYOFFS.

The above listed rulings were issued upon conclusion of deliberations surrounding a formal hearing held May 29, 2008, wherein, Mr. Montes conceded to the findings of the official lab.

(5) RULINGS # 171 & # 172RULING # 171

GROOM HERACLIO JAVIAN IS FINED ONE-HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF STABLE AREA REGULATIONS. CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1530 (CASES NOT COVERED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS – VENDING WITHOUT A LICENSE ).

RULING # 172

GROOM RAFAEL DIAZ IS FINED ONE-HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF STABLE AREA REGULATIONS. CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1530 (CASES NOT COVERED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS – VENDING WITHOUT A LICENSE).

The above noted rulings were written following an informal hearing to address security citations issued when the two friends were observed selling beer out of their tack room. Both admitted and acknowledged their disregard for Los Alamitos vending policies and vowed to cease the activity. Los Alamitos Security Captain Rick Castaneda, also present at the hearing, told the pair that another occurrence would result in ejection.

(6) GUILLERMO GUTIERREZRULING # 173

JOCKEY GUILLERMO GUTIERREZ IS FINED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF STABLE AREA REGULATIONS. CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1530 (CASES NOT COVERED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS - SPEEDING).

The above ruling was issued after Guillermo responded to a security citation he received for speeding past the stable gate leaving the barn area. Mr. Gutierrez argued that he didn't feel the situation dangerous, however, probably should have slowed down and would do so in the future.

(7) SANTIAGO MENDEZ

Jockey Santiago Mendez appeared, as directed, to review his actions during the sixth race on Sunday, June 1, 2008. Valet Pepe Magana served as interpreter. Films reflect Mendez' mount, # 2 "Willie Bud," gets bumped at the start. Thereafter, while heads apart, vying for second position, the rider starts to pull his mount out of the race. When quizzed concerning his actions, he said that the bump at the start cost his mount all chance at the win and he was saving the horse for his next race. When asked where he got that idea, he said, "All the owners tell him to do that." The Stewards recited the rule to the young rider, emphasizing his duty to exert his best efforts at all times. We further explained that his duty to the wagering public far surpassed his instructions from the owners. At the conclusion, Santiago acknowledged the position of the Stewards and apologized for his actions.

During deliberations over this incident, the Board of Stewards took a staunch position in favor of the wagering public. In mitigation, we also took into consideration the short duration Mr. Mendez had been a jockey and feel he made an error in judgment, contrary to an act involving collusion. Accordingly, this Board of Stewards deem the following two week suspension appropriate.

RULING # 174

JOCKEY SANTIAGO MENDEZ, WHO RODE "WILLIE BUD" IN THE SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2008, IS SUSPENDED EIGHT (8) RACING DAYS (JUNE 12<sup>TH</sup>, 13<sup>TH</sup>, 14<sup>TH</sup>, 15<sup>TH</sup>, 19<sup>TH</sup>, 20<sup>TH</sup>, 21<sup>ST</sup>, AND 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2008) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES # 1692 (REQUIREMENTS FOR HORSE, TRAINER, AND JOCKEY) AND # 1884 (UNSATISFACTORY RIDES – FAILING TO PERSEVERE).

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

(8) QUIET EVENING

This evening's eight-race program was completed without noteworthy incident.

(9) LATE DECLARATIONS

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 7 Slogan (Tr. J. Clark) medicated, Stewards.  
Refund: \$459.00.

(10) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	658	On Track Handle:	\$118,195
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,909</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$274,485
Total:	2,567	Out of State:	<u>\$439,248</u>
		Total:	\$831,928

**FRIDAY**  
06/06/2008

(1) SCRATCHES FOR SUNDAY

One declaration, one equipment change and four rider changes were made at the 9:00 a.m. scratch time for Sunday.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race written for three year olds and upward, claiming price \$4,000, going 300 yards, was called off with three entries received.

(3) JUSTIN CLARK RULING

RULING # 175

TRAINER JUSTIN CLARK IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION – MEDICATION) ON THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2008.

The foregoing ruling was issued when trainer Clark came in and reported that his horse "Slogan" had inadvertently been administered Clenbuterol on Tuesday only two days prior to this race necessitating a late declaration out of the fourth race Thursday evening.

(4) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Juan Andrade came in, as directed, to review the fourth race on Sunday and jockeys Carlos Huerta and Ramon Sanchez were in to review the fifth race from last evening where all were cautioned and warned to maintain a straight course as they were only marginally clear of their rivals.

(5) INQUIRY – OBJECTION – FIRST PLACE – NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign following the first race in order to review two separate incidents. The first area of concern involved # 7 "Moonlight Knight" (1<sup>st</sup> – Dihigi Gladney) and # 6 "Stormy Stenovec" (5<sup>th</sup> – Otto Arriaga) at the start. Jockey Arriaga also claimed foul against # 7. Films show # 7 broke in slightly as # 6 broke out and off a bit slowly. Following a thorough review of the tapes of the race and after talking to the jockeys involved, the Stewards ruled no change was warranted.

The second incident involved # 2 "Siberian Doctor" (3<sup>rd</sup> – jockey Gary Boag), # 6 "Stormy Stenovec" (5<sup>th</sup> – Otto Arriaga), # 4 "Stock Car Boy" (6<sup>th</sup> – Joel Cruz) and # 8 "Chako T." (4<sup>th</sup> – Juan Olivera) through the final 1/8 mile. Films reflect some shifting about through the lane, however, in the opinion of the Stewards, no positions were comprised. As such, the original order of finish was made official.

(6) INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – SECOND RACE

The Stewards once again illuminated the Inquiry sign to evaluate the cause of # 4 "RGR Cash Venu" to lose jockey Cody Jensen at the start. Films confirm # 4 stumbled badly at the start throwing Cody to the track; face first, in an isolated incident. Following review, no change was necessary. Cody was transported to Los Alamitos Medical Center with a possible broken nose. Accident report attached.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 8 Movin Mountains (Tr. T. Bazley) re-enter, Stewards.  
Refund: \$78.00.

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Cattos Cocktail (Tr. S. Fischer) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$219.00.

# 8 Judys Blurr (Tr. D. Urista) sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$958.00.

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 7 No Pasa Nada (Tr. M. Rodriguez) lame, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$312.00.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance: 1,953  
 Off Track Attendance: 4,021  
 Total: 5,974

On Track Handle: \$218,348  
 Off Track Handle: \$638,620  
 Out of State: \$680,461  
 Total: \$1,538,430

SATURDAY

06/07/2008

(1) ENTRIES FOR THURSDAY

Eight races were drawn for Thursday consisting of two Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse, completed at 12:15 p.m.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race offered for maidens, three years old and upward, claiming price \$20,000, at a distance of 300 yards, was called off with one entry.

(3) ADAN FARIAS HEARING (CASE # 08LA0110)

Trainer Adan Farias appeared to address the above listed complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (A,B & D) (Medication, drugs and other substances) # 1844 (F) (Authorized medication) and # 1887 (A) (Trainer to insure condition of horse). Trainer Farias' horse "Fighter On Fire" tested for Clenbuterol in excess of the permitted levels in both blood and urine following the 9<sup>th</sup> race on April 11, 2008. A subsequent split sample cleared the urine, however, the blood was still confirmed to be in excess.

Present at the hearing in addition to Mr. Farias, who waived his right to counsel, was Senior Investigator Thomas Blake who presented the case to Stewards Albert Christiansen, Randy Winick, and Martin Hamilton. Barbara Weinstein recorded the proceedings.

The record was opened with the case being presented by Mr. Blake. Immediately following, Mr. Farias requested the opportunity of obtaining a DNA verification test on "Fighter On Fire" to insure that the test sample is his. Mr. Farias stated that he treated his horse six days out, himself, and does not understand how he could have had the high reading. After a brief conference, off the record, Mr. Farias was granted a continuance in order to pursue his defense.

(4) FILM REVIEW

Jockey's Gary Boag and Eddie Garcia were in, as directed, to review the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> races, respectively, where both riders were cautioned concerning maintaining control of horses on the drift.

(5) INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign following the seventh race to review an incident at the start involving # 3 "Play Your Card" with jockey Alejandro Luna.

Films show # 3 stumbled hard and ducked out at the start unseating jockey Luna in an isolated incident. Luna was attended to by E.M.T's and returned to the jockey's room under his own power. Alejandro was uninjured in the mishap and completed the remainder of his engagements. No change was warranted in the placings.

(6) INQUIRY – EIGHTH RACE – DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards illuminated the inquiry lamp following the eighth race for review of an observed incident at the start involving # 3 "A Streakinson" (4<sup>th</sup> – Rodrigo Aceves) and # 4 "Secret Agent Man" (8<sup>th</sup> – Carlos Huerta).

Films show # 3 ducked out hard at the start and bumped # 4 into # 5 causing # 4 to check strongly and lose all chance at a better placing. After a thorough film review and talking with the riders involved, # 3 was disqualified from fourth and placed eighth in a unanimous decision.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,421	On Track Handle:	\$307,912
Off Track Attendance:	3,464	Off Track Handle:	\$624,575
Total:	4,885	Out of State:	\$918,361
		Total:	\$1,850,848

SUNDAY

06/08/2008

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race offered for maiden two years old, claiming price \$20,000, going 300 yards, was off with three entries.

(2) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Rodrigo Aceves was in, as requested, to review the eighth race from last evening where his mount was disqualified from fourth to eighth place. Rodrigo's mount ducked out sharply at the start affording him no time to correct. Accordingly, jockey Aceves was held blameless in the incident.

(3) RAUL RAMIREZ, JR.RULING # 176

JOCKEY RAUL RAMIREZ, JR. HAVING PARTICIPATED IN MORE THAN ONE DESIGNATED RACE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2008, WHILE UNDER SUSPENSION, IS HEREBY SUSPENDED ONE ADDITIONAL DAY, SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2008, PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES).

The above ruling was issued after jockey Ramirez participated in more than one trial to the "Ed Burke Million Futurity" while under suspension.

(4) EDDIE GARCIARULING # 177

JOCKEY EDDIE GARCIA HAVING PARTICIPATED IN MORE THAN ONE DESIGNATED RACE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2008, WHILE UNDER SUSPENSION, IS HEREBY SUSPENDED ONE ADDITIONAL DAY, SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2008, PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES).

The above ruling was issued after jockey Garcia participated in more than one trial to the "Ed Burke Million Futurity" while under suspension.

(5) INQUIRY – FIRST RACE – DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was posted following the running of the first race for a review of an incident 100 yards after the start involving # 7 "Tiny Eyes On You" (4<sup>th</sup> – Juan Andrade) and # 5 "Regal Dream Chaser" (6<sup>th</sup> – Carlos Huerta).

Films show # 7 lugged in away from # 8 and into the path of # 5 causing the latter to check off heels and lose the opportunity at a better placing. After reviewing the tapes of the race and talking with the riders involved # 7 was disqualified from fourth and placed sixth in a unanimous decision.

(6) INQUIRY – ACCIDENT SECOND RACE – NO CHANGE

Immediately following the second race (870 – Quarter Horse) the Stewards posted the inquiry sign to determine the cause of # 7 "Azure Classic Rhythm" ridden by jockey Dihigi Gladney, to fall approaching the ¼ pole. Films verify # 7 went wrong in his left fore leg and fell while racing in the clear. Following review the posted order of finish was made official.

Jockey Gladney was transported to Los Alamitos Medical Center to evaluate pain in his neck area while conscious and alert. Unfortunately, "Azure Classic Rhythm" had to be euthanized at the scene for humane reasons. Accident Report attached.

**(7) OBJECTION – EIGHTH RACE – NO CHANGE**

Following the eighth race, jockey Joy Scott astride # 2 “Auroras Rainbeau”, who finished fourth, lodged a claim of foul against the second place finisher # 3 “Buddy of Mine” and jockey Ramon Guce for alleged interference in the stretch run.

Films show # 2, while in behind the leaders at the top of the stretch, tries to get through a narrow opening along the rail which was extremely tight at best. When the rider sized up the situation, she eased back and shifted out. In the unanimous opinion of the Stewards, there was never adequate room to advance along the rail and therefore disallowed the objection. Ms. Scott candidly admitted that she claimed the foul at the behest of her trainer.

**(8) LATE DECLARATIONS**

5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Dynazel (Tr. B. Lewis) loose in post parade, Stewards.  
Refund: \$1,311.00

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Movin Mountains (Tr. T. Bazely) flipped in receiving barn, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$307.00

**(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

On Track Attendance:	756	On Track Handle:	\$197,245
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,577</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$499,908
Total:	3,333	Out of State:	<u>\$601,795</u>
		Total:	\$1,298,948

**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>
6/6/2008	4	6	Cattos Cocktail	S. Fischer	Injured	Hackathorn	\$219
	4	8	Judys Blurr	D. Urista	Sick	Beck	\$958
	6	7	No Pasa Nada	M. Rodriguez	Lame	Hackathorn	\$312
6/8/2008	6	4	Movin Mountains	T. Bazely	Flipped in receiving barn	Beck	\$307

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on June 8, 2008.

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

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

List as follows: two for soundness, two for injury and one for sickness.

Eighteen horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and

removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Martin Hamilton.

## CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

## SUMMARY

	MON	TUE	WED	THU 06/05	FRI 06/06	SAT 06/07	SUN 06/08	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			0	1	1	1	3	21
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R	3	3	0	7	13	397
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		0	0	1	1	2	32
INQUIRIES	D			0	2	2	3	7	60
REFUNDS		A		1	4	0	2	7	354
RULINGS			Y	6	1	0	2	9	177

Stewards' Attendance: Martin Hamilton, Albert Christiansen, and Randy Winick were in daily attendance during this reporting period.

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Martin Hamilton (Steward)

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Albert Christiansen (Steward)

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Randy Winick (Steward)