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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
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TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of June 10, 2008 through June 15, 2008.

**TUESDAY**  
06/10/2008

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Albert Christiansen will be present for morning duties and shall author the week's minutes.

(2) SCRATCHES

Two scratches, one an ineligible horse, completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(3) THE DRAW

Ten races were drawn for Friday's races. Three Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races comprise the card.

**WEDNESDAY**  
06/11/2008

(1) SCRATCHES

Two rider changes completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) THE DRAW

Eleven races were drawn for Saturday's program. One Arabian, two Thoroughbred and eight Quarter Horse races make up the card.

**THURSDAY**  
06/12/2008

(1) SCRATCHES

Two scratches completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) THE DRAW

Ten races were drawn for Sunday's program. One Arabian, two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races complete the card.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race in the book for three year olds and upward, claiming price \$4,000, going 300 yards, failed to fill with one entry.

(4) MELGOZA RULINGRULING #178

TRAINER RAMON MELGOZA IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1852 (REPORTING TO RECEIVING BARN – LATE).

This ruling was issued after trainer Melgoza appeared and waived his right to a formal hearing. Mr. Melgoza stated he thought his horse was in time, as he heard the fifteen minute call. However, the horse arrived at the receiving barn two minutes after the horses left for the race.

(5) JOCKEYS REVIEW DISQUALIFICATION

Jockey Juan Andrade appeared with fellow jockey Saul Ramirez to review last Sunday's first race disqualification of his mount. After a wealth of discussion and review of the race jockey Andrade was relieved of blame. The incident was placed on the erratic behavior of the horse.

(6) GOOD RACING

Eight races were completed without a further reportable incident.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 1 Topple (Tr. Jesus Nunez) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$5,772.00

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Back In Special (Tr. Mark Skeen) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$409.00

8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 4 Mija Roja (Tr. Christopher O'Dell) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$208.00

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	687	On Track Handle:	\$117,069
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,986</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$269,208
Total:	2,673	Out of State:	<u>\$441,229</u>
		Total:	\$827,507

FRIDAY

06/13/2008

(1) SCRATCHES

One scratch, part of an entry, completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the book for three year olds, claiming price \$4,000, going 300 yards, failed to fill with four entries.

(3) JOCKEY REVIEWS RACE

Jockey Eulices Gomez appeared to review last night's fourth race with the Stewards. The rider was cautioned to have better control of his mount.

(4) NO PROBLEMS

Ten races were finalized without a reportable incident.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 2 Cats Hawk G E (Tr. Keith Craigmyle) sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$2,016.00
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Country Soul (Tr. Adan Farias) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$200.00
- # 5 Queen Holland (Tr. Jaime Gomez) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$211.00
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Cheezacreampuff (Tr. Scott Willoughby) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$201.00

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,600	On Track Handle:	\$208,447
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,922</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$610,940
Total:	5,522	Out of State:	<u>\$678,452</u>
		Total:	\$1,497,839

**SATURDAY**

06/14/2008

(1) THE DRAW

Eight races were drawn for next Thursday's program. All races were Quarter Horse events.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The second race in the book for maidens, two years old, claiming price \$16,000, going 300 yards, attracted one entry.

(3) JOCKEY REVIEWS RACE

Jockey Alex Bautista appeared to review last night's eighth race with the Stewards. The rider was warned to react quicker to correct his horse leaving the gate.

(4) RULING # 179RULING # 179

JOCKEY EDDIE ACEVES WHO RODE "JESSALOTACASH" IN THE NINTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2008, IS SUSPENDED FOUR (4) RACING DAYS (JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup>, 22<sup>ND</sup>, 26<sup>TH</sup>, AND 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2008) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE. 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.

This ruling was decided upon after reviewing last night's ninth race with Jockey Guild representative Cody Jenson. Jockey Aceves permitted his mount to drift in nearing the finish, placing a rival on his heels. The Stewards were of the opinion the situation could have been avoided with a better effort in a dangerous situation.

(5) STEWARDS INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

After the finish of the first race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) the Stewards posted the inquiry sign to review an incident at the start. Involved were the third place finisher # 3 "Red Hot Corona" (jockey Rodrigo Aceves) and the last place horse # 2 "Fishers Flash" (jockey Ramon Sanchez). After talking with the riders involved, receiving the patrol judges' report and reviewing the replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify # 3 from third and place her last for interference at the start. Replays show # 3 break in at the start, severely interfering with # 2, costing the latter the opportunity at a better placing.

Original Order of Finish:	7 – 9 – <u>3</u> – 1 – 5 – 8 – 10 – 4 – 6 – <u>2</u>
Official Order of Finish:	7 – 9 – 1 – 5 – 8 – 10 – 4 – 6 – <u>2</u> – <u>3</u>

**(6) STEWARDS INQUIRY – DOUBLE DISQUALIFICATION**

After the finish of the tenth race (300 yards – Quarter Horse) the Stewards posted the inquiry sign to review an incident within the last fifty yards. Involved were the second place finisher # 5 “Pappys Corona” (jockey Alejandro Luna) # 2 “BCR Lunar Eclipse” (jockey Juan Andrade) the fifth place horse, the seventh place finisher # 4 “Remarkable Eyesa” (jockey J.R. Ramirez) and # 3 “La Michoacana” (jockey Rodrigo Aceves), who finished eighth. After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the replays the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify both # 5 and # 2 for interfering with # 3 and # 4 about fifty yards from the finish line. Replays show # 5 drift in and # 2 bear out, almost simultaneously, causing # 3 and # 4 to take up and both lose the opportunity at a better placement.

Original Order of Finish: 9 – 5 – 8 – 6 – 2 – 7 – 4 – 3 – 1  
 Official Order of Finish: 9 – 8 – 6 – 7 – 4 – 3 – 5 – 2 – 1

**(7) LATE DECLARATIONS**

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 4 El Sobrino (Tr. Jaimie Gomez) enter back, Stewards.  
 Refund: \$392.00  
 # 8 Yak Itys Zooming (Tr. Juan Aleman) enter back, Stewards.  
 Refund: \$695.00

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 2 Lake Havens (Tr. Dominic Fama) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
 Refund: \$582.00

**(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

On Track Attendance:	1,277	On Track Handle:	\$237,416
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,233</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$462,837
Total:	4,510	Out of State:	<u>\$721,629</u>
		Total:	\$1,421,882

**SUNDAY**  
 06/15/2008

**(1) CAL-BRED REPORT**

The tenth race on the card for maidens, three years old and upward, claiming price \$2,500, going 220 yards, failed to fill Cal-Bred but was used open, with four Cal-Breds in an eight horse field.

**(2) ANDRADE RULING****RULING # 180**

JOCKEY JUAN ANDRADE WHO RODE “BCR LUNAR ECLIPSE” IN THE TENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2008, IS SUSPENDED FOUR (4) RACING DAYS (JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup>, 26<sup>TH</sup>, 27<sup>TH</sup>, AND 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2008) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIFTH TO EIGHTH PLACE. 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.

This ruling was issued after jockey Andrade reviewed replays of last night’s tenth race disqualification of his mount with the Stewards. Mr. Andrade was accompanied by fellow jockeys Saul Ramirez, Jr. and J. R. Ramirez. After deliberation the Stewards were of the opinion the rider could have done a better job of maintaining a straight course.

**(3) LUNA RULING****RULING # 181**

JOCKEY ALEJANDRO LUNA WHO RODE “PAPPYS CORONA” IN THE TENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2008, IS SUSPENDED FOUR (4) RACING DAYS (JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup>, 26<sup>TH</sup>, 27<sup>TH</sup>, AND 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2008) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM SECOND TO SEVENTH PLACE. 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.

This ruling was agreed upon after jockey Victor Navarro represented Alejandro Luna at the film review. Mr. Luna was disqualified in last night's tenth race. Replays verify jockey Luna was careless in permitting his mount to drift.

(4) JOCKEYS REVIEW REPLAYS

Jockeys Eddie Aceves and Rodrigo Aceves appeared to review separate races with the Stewards. Eddie Aceves reviewed the race that he got days for yesterday. Eddie was represented by Jockey's Guild Representative Cody Jensen at the hearing. Eddie claimed he was not aware his name was on the board to see the Stewards. After discussion the rider accepted his predicament and left the room. Rodrigo Aceves reviewed last night's first race disqualification of his mount. The rider was held blameless as his horse veered in the first jump out of the gate.

(5) JOCKEY OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the third race (4½ furlongs – Thoroughbred) the Stewards posted the objection sign at the request of jockey Victor Navarro, who rode the second place finisher # 1 "Mystifying Miss." Navarro alleged interference in the stretch by the winner # 6 "Serena's Future" (jockey Eulices Gomez). After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the replays the Stewards unanimously agreed to make no change in the order of finish. Replays failed to substantiate Navarro's claim of foul as he never stopped riding his horse.

(6) STEWARDS INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the fourth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an incident about one hundred yards after the start. At issue was whether the fifth place finisher # 6 "Beyond The Smiles" rider, Saul Ramirez, Jr., struck the last place horse # 4 "Fishers Jetsetter" (jockey Cesar De Alba) with the whip. After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to let the order of finish to stand. Jockey De Alba stated his horse shied but was not struck by Ramirez's whip. No change was warranted.

(7) STEWARDS INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – NO CHANGE

Following the finish of the sixth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an accident about halfway through the race. # 6 "Perrywithrhythm," while racing in the clear, suddenly bolted and ran towards the outside fence, unseating jockey Jorge Cortes. Preliminary report was that the rider had a broken right ankle.

(8) STEWARDS INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the eighth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an observed incident about halfway into the race. Involved were the winner # 3 "Yak Itys Zooming" (jockey Cesar De Alba) and the fifth place finisher # 4 "Red Hot Island" (jockey Ramon Sanchez). After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the replays the Stewards unanimously agreed to make no change in the order of finish. Replays show # 3 drifting out, however it appears, and jockey Sanchez verifies, that # 3 is clear as # 4 alters its course.

(9) LATE DECLARATIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 1 RGR Motherload (Tr. Adan Farias) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$434.00.

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 7 Iron Katy (Tr. Dominic Fama) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$324.00.

(10) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	790	On Track Handle:	\$195,272
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,347</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$477,396
Total:	3,137	Out of State:	<u>\$614,600</u>
		Total:	\$1,287,269

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>
6/12/2008	3	1	Topple	J. Nunez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$5,772
	4	3	Back In Special	M. Skeen	Injured	Hackathorn	\$409
	8	4	Mija Roja	C. O'Dell	Injured	Hackathorn	\$208
6/13/2008	1	2	Cats Hawk G E	K. Craigmyle	Sick	Beck	\$2,016
	6	2	Country Soul	A. Farias	Sick	Hackathorn	\$200
	6	5	Queen Holland	J. Gomez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$211
	7	1	Cheezacreampuff	S. Willoughby	Injured	Hackathorn	\$201
6/14/2008	3	2	Lake Havens	D. Fama	Sick	Hackathorn	\$582
6/15/2008	2	1	RGF Motherload	A. Farias	Sick	Hackathorn	\$434
	3	7	Iron Katy	D. Fama	Sick	Hackathorn	\$324

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on June 15, 2008.

No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries.

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

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

Three 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 06/12	FRI 06/13	SAT 06/14	SUN 06/15	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			0	0	0	1	1	22
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R	2	5	3	3	13	410
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		0	0	3	0	3	35
INQUIRIES	D			0	0	2	4	6	66
REFUNDS		A		3	4	3	2	12	366
RULINGS			Y	1	0	1	2	4	181

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

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Albert Christiansen (Steward)

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Randy Winick (Steward)

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Martin Hamilton (Steward)