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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 August 12, 2008 through August 17, 2008.

**TUESDAY**

08/12/2008

(1) DUTY STEWARD

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

(2) SCRATCHES

There were no changes on the overnight when scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m.

(3) THE DRAW

Ten races were drawn for Friday's program. One Thoroughbred and nine Quarter Horse races complete the card.

**WEDNESDAY**

08/13/2008

(1) SCRATCHES

One scratch and one rider change completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) THE DRAW

Eleven races were drawn for Saturday's program. Two Thoroughbred and nine Quarter Horse races make up the card.

**THURSDAY**

08/14/2008

(1) SCRATCHES

One rider change and one scratch made up scratch time completed at 9:00 a.m.

(2) THE DRAW

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

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race in the book for three year olds, claiming price \$5,000, going 300 yards, attracted one entry.

(4) ARMANDO LEON RULING

RULING # 209

OWNER ARMANDO LEON, HAVING COMPLIED WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1876 (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY) IS RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING. LAQL RULING # 208, ISSUED AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON AUGUST 9, 2008, IS SET ASIDE.

This ruling was issued after trainer Danny Urista informed the Stewards Mr. Leon had paid his past due training bill.

(5) DIONICIO NAVARRO RULING

RULING # 210

JOCKEY DIONICIO NAVARRO IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1922 (IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED – FAILURE TO DISPLAY LICENSE) AND RULE # 1530 (CASES NOT COVERED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS – DISRESPECT TOWARD PARKING LOT ATTENDANT).

The above ruling was agreed upon after jockey Navarro and a parking lot attendant explained an incident. Mr. Navarro did not have his California Horse Racing Board license with him. It appears, although the testimony was conflicting, that a misunderstanding occurred. The jockey probably got out of line with the attendant.

(6) RULINGS # 211 AND # 212

RULING # 211

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1900 (GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION) EXERCISE RIDER ANGEL TEJEDA, IS SUSPENDED THIRTY DAYS (30) (AUGUST 18, 2008, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16, 2008), FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1489 (H) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE – USE OF MARIJUANA, COCAINE AND AMPHETAMINE).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF SUBJECT ARE SUSPENDED, AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #152 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE), SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

FURTHERMORE, AS A CONDITION OF REINSTATEMENT ANGEL TEJEDA SHALL SHOW PROOF OF A RECOVERY PROGRAM ACCEPTABLE TO THE STEWARDS AND SIGN A TEST AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD. SUBJECT IS PLACED ON PROBATION THROUGH MARCH 31, 2010.

RULING # 212

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1900 (GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION) GROOM JOSE VASQUEZ, IS SUSPENDED THIRTY DAYS (30) (AUGUST 18, 2008, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16, 2008), FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1489 (H) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE – USE OF MARIJUANA AND AMPHETAMINE).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF SUBJECT ARE SUSPENDED, AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #152 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE), SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

FURTHERMORE, AS A CONDITION OF REINSTATEMENT JOSE VASQUEZ SHALL SHOW PROOF OF A RECOVERY PROGRAM ACCEPTABLE TO THE STEWARDS AND SIGN A TEST AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD. SUBJECT IS PLACED ON PROBATION THROUGH MARCH 31, 2009.

These rulings were issued after the two licensees appeared for separate informal hearings. Both subjects admitted using illegal drugs. Both are first time offenders and appear to be willing to do what's necessary to straighten out their lives.

(7) STEWARDS INQUIRY – NO CHANGE & DISQUALIFICATION

After the finish of the sixth race (350 yards – Fort Dodge Trials) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review two separate incidents. The first, shortly after the start, involved the original second place finisher # 1 “Bono Beat” (jockey Carlos Bautista) and the sixth (last) place finisher # 2 “Splash N Six” (jockey Carlos Huerta). After reviewing the replays the Stewards unanimously agreed the incident clearly did not cost # 2 the opportunity at a better placing.

The second incident was more serious. Involved were the winner # 6 “Eyes on Sara” (jockey Alex Bautista) and the fourth place horse # 5 “Separate Interest” (jockey Cesar De Alba). After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the tape replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify # 6 from first and place her fourth, behind # 5, for interference in the last sixteenth of the race. Replays show # 6, on the outside, lugging in badly and crossing in front of # 5, causing the latter to take up sharply and lose the chance at a better placing.

Original Order of Finish: 6 – 1 – 3 – 5 – 4 – 2

Official Order of Finish: 1 – 3 – 5 – 6 – 4 – 2

(8) LATE DECLARATION

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Chica Hot (Tr. A. Farias) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$104.00.

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	784	On Track Handle:	\$183,381
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,763</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$356,442
Total:	2,547	Out of State:	<u>\$460,931</u>
		Total:	\$1,000,754

**FRIDAY**  
08/15/2008

(1) SCRATCHES

One weight correction and an equipment change completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The seventh race in the book for three year olds and upward, claiming price \$2,500, going 300 yards, was called off with two entries.

(3) JOCKEY REVIEWS DISQUALIFICATION

Jockey Alex Bautista appeared to review last night's sixth race disqualification of his mount. The rider did an admirable job with a tough horse, no penalty involved.

(4) GOOD EVENING

Ten races were completed without reportable incident.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Fire Expert (Tr. J. Gomez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$53.00.

9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Ca Nuther Malone (Tr. A. Farias) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$222.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,280	On Track Handle:	\$276,239
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,283</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$685,999
Total:	4,563	Out of State:	<u>\$713,864</u>
		Total:	\$1,676,104

**SATURDAY**

08/16/2008

(1) THE DRAW

Eight races were drawn for next Thursday's program. Three Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races comprise the card.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race on the card for maiden two year olds, claiming price \$5,000, going 300 yards, failed to fill Cal-Bred but was used open with four Cal-Bred in an eight horse field.

(3) APPRENTICE REVIEWS RACE

Apprentice jockey Tabitha Morrison appeared to review last Saturday's third race with the Stewards. The young rider was cautioned to be more aware of her position in a race.

(4) STEWARDS INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

After the finish of the eighth race (400 yards – Golden State Derby Trials – First Division) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review the start. Involved were the third place finisher # 4 "A Mere Chocolate" (jockey Raul Ramirez, Jr.), # 3 "Really A First" (jockey Jeff Jerman), the sixth place finisher, and # 2 "Cosmic Brownie" (jockey Gary Boag), the last (eighth) place finisher. After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the tape replays the Stewards unanimously agree to disqualify # 4 from third position and place him last (eighth), behind # 2, for interference at the start to both # 2 and # 3. Replays show # 4 break in hard at the start, bumping # 3 into # 2, costing both rivals any chance at a better placing.

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

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

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 7 Bridge Too Far (Tr. J. McElroy) unsound, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$7,417.00.

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Check This Merit (Tr. P. Jones) sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$251.00.

9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Kiddy Up (Tr. S. Willoughby) sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$102.00.

11<sup>th</sup> Race - # 7 Open Arms (Tr. P. Jones) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$11,038.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,513	On Track Handle:	\$273,244
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,932</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$587,151
Total:	4,445	Out of State:	<u>\$717,078</u>
		Total:	\$1,577,474

**SUNDAY**

08/17/2008

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race in the book for three year olds and upward, claiming price \$2,000, going 870 yards, failed to fill with two entries.

(2) JOCKEY REVIEWS REPLAYS

Jockey Raul Ramirez, Jr. appeared to review last night's eighth race disqualification of his mount with the Stewards. The rider did all possible as his mount veered in sharply at the start.

(3) RODRIGO ACEVES RULINGRULING # 213

JOCKEY RODRIGO ACEVES HAVING PARTICIPATED IN ONE DESIGNATED RACE IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2008, WHILE UNDER SUSPENSION, IS HEREBY SUSPENDED ONE ADDITIONAL DAY, THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2008, PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES).

The above ruling was issued when the Stewards became aware that jockey Aceves rode in a trial at Ruidoso last Thursday.

(4) NO PROBLEMS

Ten races were completed without a reportable incident.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 3 Rebel Yells (Tr. C. Treece) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$410.00.

# 7 Candy's Bro (Tr. P. Aguirre) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$566.00.

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 9 Alkazan (Tr. R. Ragain) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$257.00.

10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 New Headliner (Tr. J. Romo, Jr.) injured, Dr. Peyser.  
Refund: \$4,164.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance: 870	On Track Handle: \$228,781
Off Track Attendance: <u>2,510</u>	Off Track Handle: \$511,042
Total: 3,380	Out of State: <u>\$601,107</u>
	Total: \$1,340,931

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>
8/14/2008	7	5	Chica Hot	A. Farias	Sick	Hackathorn	\$104
8/15/2008	4	6	Fire Expert	J. Gomez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$53
	9	6	Ca Nuther Malone	A. Farias	Sick	Hackathorn	\$222
8/16/2008	5	7	Bridge Too Far	J. McElroy	Unsound	Hackathorn	\$7,417
	6	1	Check This Merit	P. Jones	Sick	Beck	\$251
	9	2	Kiddy Up	S. Willoughby	Sick	Beck	\$102
	11	7	Open Arms	P. Jones	Injured	Hackathorn	\$11,038
8/17/2008	3	3	Rebel Yells	C. Treece	Sick	Hackathorn	\$410
	3	7	Candy's Bro	P. Aguirre	Sick	Hackathorn	\$566
	7	9	Alkazan	R. Ragain	Sick	Hackathorn	\$257
	10	3	New Headliner	J. Romo, Jr.	Injured	Peyser	\$4,164

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on August 17, 2008.

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

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

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

Seven 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 08/14	FRI 08/15	SAT 08/16	SUN 08/17	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			0	0	0	0	0	25
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	0	24
CLAIMS			R	0	0	6	1	7	536
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		1	0	1	0	2	44
INQUIRIES	D			2	0	1	0	3	82
REFUNDS		A		1	2	4	4	11	488
RULINGS			Y	4	0	0	1	5	213

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

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Albert Christiansen (Steward)

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Kim Sawyer (Steward)

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Martin Hamilton (Steward)