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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of September 23, 2008 through September 28, 2008.

TUESDAY
09/23/2008(1) **DUTY STEWARD**

James Dreyer will monitor morning situations and record the minutes for this reporting period.

(2) **SCRATCHES**

Scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m. resulting in three scratches and three rider changes.

(3) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The third race in the book for Friday, maiden fillies two years old, was called off with two entries.

(4) **THE DRAW**

Ten races were drawn at 1:30 p.m. consisting of one Arabian, two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races.

WEDNESDAY
09/24/2008(1) **SCRATCHES**

One scratch was the only change on Friday's program.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

Three CAL-BRED races were offered for Saturday, none of which filled. The fourth race in the book was called off with two. The fifth failed to get any entries and sub 4 was called off with one.

(3) **THE DRAW**

Two Thoroughbred and nine Quarter Horse races will be offered Saturday evening including the \$100,000 added "Go Man Go Handicap."

THURSDAY

09/25/2008

(1) SCRATCHES

One equipment change, two rider changes and one scratch finalized Saturday's program.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the book for Sunday, maidens three and up for \$2,500, was used open after failing to fill CAL-BRED.

(3) THE DRAW

Sunday evening will consist of three Arabian, one Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races.

(4) REDISTRIBUTION OF PURSERULING # 236

ACTING UPON A REPORT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA DAVIS, AN OFFICIAL TESTING LABORATORY OF THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD AND HAVING BEEN CONFIRMED BY TEXAS VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY SYSTEM, THAT URINE SAMPLE# LA02182, TAKEN FROM THE HORSE "FIRE FREE", THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE TENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON AUGUST 12, 2006, TESTED POSITIVE FOR FLUPHENAZINE (CLASS II) A PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCE, IT IS ORDERED THAT "FIRE FREE" BE DISQUALIFIED FROM ALL PURSE MONIES EARNED IN SAID RACE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD #1859.5 (DISQUALIFICATION UPON POSITIVE TEST).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT ALL PURSE (\$5,500) EARNED BY OWNER JAIME H. GOMEZ AND DANIEL REYNOSO, TRAINER JAIME H. GOMEZ AND JOCKEY J. R. RAMIREZ BE RETURNED TO THE PAYMASTER OF PURSES AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE FOR REDISTRIBUTION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1760 (PURSE AWARD OR PRIZE TO BE WITH HELD)

REVISED ORDER OF FINISH IS AS FOLLOWS:

| | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| 1 ST | PEACH PARADE |
| 2 ND | STARTINI |
| 3 RD | MOST UNUSUAL |
| 4 TH | SWIFTEST DREAM |
| 5 TH | SLOGAN |

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 foregoing ruling was issued following a recorded hearing in which no one appeared for the defense. Senior Investigator Tom Blake presented the case for the California Horse Racing Board. "Fire Free" who ran in the tenth race at Los Alamitos tested positive and a split sample confirmed the presence of the class II drug Fluphenazine.

(5) FILMS

Jockey Santiago Mendez was by to review the seventh race Sunday in which he repeatedly hit his mount "Sadies Fancy Lane" over the head. He was warned that using his whip in that fashion is both illegal and abusive and won't be condoned. He was in total agreement and said it wouldn't happen again.

(6) JULIO DE LA TORRE RULINGRULING # 237

JOCKEY JULIO DE LA TORRE IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT) ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2008.

The above ruling was issued after no plausible explanation was given by jockey De La Torre for failing to fulfill his riding obligation Sunday evening.

(7) JOSE FLORES RULINGRULING # 238

TRAINER JOSE FLORES IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* FOR FAILURE TO PROPERLY REPORT THE GELDING OF THE HORSE "I BB THE RIDDLER" WHICH RAN IN THE ELEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2008. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1865 (ALTERING OF SEX OF HORSE).

The foregoing ruling was issued after meeting with Jose Flores to discuss his failure to report the gelding "I BB The Riddler." His defense was that owner Corbit Johnson gelded the colt at the ranch during a lay-up. Although Corbit failed to forward this bit of information to Jose, he is still the trainer of record and responsible for what's on the program.

(8) CLEAR SAILING

Thursday evening went off with nothing of consequence to report.

(9) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race - # 1 Runnin Rosie (Tr. F. Gonzalez) wrong markings, Stewards.
Refund: \$37.00.

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

| | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| On Track Attendance: | 658 | On Track Handle: | \$121,383 |
| Off Track Attendance: | <u>1,873</u> | Off Track Handle: | \$202,471 |
| Total: | 2,531 | Out of State: | <u>\$365,649</u> |
| | | Total: | <u>\$689,504</u> |

FRIDAY

09/26/2008

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time resulted in four rider changes on Sunday's program.

(2) HECTOR HERNANDEZ (COMPLAINT# 08LA0180)RULING # 239

TRAINER HECTOR HERNANDEZ WHO STARTED THE HORSE "EYESA FLYER" IN THE THIRD RACE ON AUGUST 3, 2008, AT SONOMA COUNTY FAIR IS FINED THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000.00)* 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 – TRICHLORMETHIAZIDE– A CLASS IV PROHIBITED DRUG).

After meeting informally with Hector Hernandez and consulting with Senior Investigator Dennis Drulias, the foregoing ruling was issued. Hector's second Trichlormethiazide offense occurred prior to him being notified of the first offense, making it impossible for him to have adjusted his medication schedule. This situation weighed heavily when the Stewards contemplated his penalty.

(3) OBJECTION – NO CHANGE – 8TH RACE

Jockey Otto Arriaga on # 5 "Galague" (2nd) claimed his horse was interfered with by # 3 "TM Marie Laveau" (1st) ridden by Wilson Dieguez. The alleged interference occurred at the head of the stretch. Arriaga contended that "TM Marie Laveau" dropped in on him as the horses entered the stretch. It appeared to the Stewards that the opposite was the case and that "Galague" came out to "TM Marie Laveau." The vote was unanimous to let the original order of finish stand.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race - # 5 Olympic Moment (Tr. J. Herrick) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$676.00.

4th Race - # 1 A Lot Like Love (Tr. J. Flores) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$282.00.

2 Brazo Norte (Tr. M. Skeen) lame, Dr. Peyser.
Refund: \$3,055.00.

5th Race - # 1 Kanluran (Tr. M. Turner) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$501.00.

5 Elkin's Time (Tr. L. Wicker) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$180.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

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|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| On Track Attendance: | 935 | On Track Handle: | \$155,946 |
| Off Track Attendance: | <u>2,601</u> | Off Track Handle: | \$350,624 |
| Total: | 3,536 | Out of State: | <u>\$575,939</u> |
| | | Total: | \$1,082,510 |

SATURDAY

09/27/2008

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book for Thursday, maiden two year olds for a \$4,000 tag, was called off with two entries.

(2) THE DRAW

Eight races were drawn at noon consisting of three Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races.

(3) JOSE RASCON RULINGRULING # 240

IN THE MATTER OF: JOSE RASCON

HAVING NOW SATISFIED THE OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL OBLIGATION TO EQUINE SPORTS MEDICINE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,222.56, THE LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF OWNER JOSE RASCON ARE RESTORED AND LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE RULING # 80, DATED MARCH 7, 2008, SUSPENDING JOSE RASCON FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR), IS HEREBY SET ASIDE.

After speaking with Dr. Overly and confirming that Mr. Rascon's debt to Equine Sports Medicine had been satisfied, the above ruling was issued.

(4) INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION – 3rd RACE

At the conclusion of the third race the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review the start. # 9 "Pride And Class" ridden by Dihigi Gladney, the third place finisher, broke in sharply at the break causing # 8 "Dowhatyouhavetodo" ridden by Juan Olivera, fourth place finisher, to take up. After consulting with the involved riders and examining the films, the Stewards felt the interference deprived "Dowhatyouhavetodo" a better placing and voted unanimously to place him behind "Pride And Class."

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race - # 1 Anearlyeclipse (Tr. C. Treece) unsound, Dr. Peyser.
Refund: \$2,390.50

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

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|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| On Track Attendance: | 1,338 | On Track Handle: | \$236,873 |
| Off Track Attendance: | <u>3,348</u> | Off Track Handle: | \$462,260 |
| Total: | 4,776 | Out of State: | <u>\$663,058</u> |
| | | Total: | \$1,362,192 |

SUNDAY
09/28/2008

(1) FILMS

Dihigi Gladney was in to review his third race disqualification last evening. After watching the rerun and discussing the race with Dihigi, the Stewards felt he had made a commendable effort and no action on our part was necessary.

(2) JOEL VALADEZ RULINGRULING # 241

JOCKEY JOEL VALADEZ WHO RODE "CHR A RIGHTEOUS LADY" IN THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2008, IS SUSPENDED FOUR (4) RACING DAYS (OCTOBER 5TH, 9TH, 10TH, AND 11TH, 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.

The foregoing ruling was issued after meeting with jockey Valadez to discuss his ride on "CHR A Righteous Lady" last evening. Although his mount did impede # 2 "Majestic Lion," the Stewards felt the outcome of the race was never compromised. The Stewards felt, however, that due to Joel's complete lack of effort to control his mount, days were justified.

(3) CLEAR SKIES

Sunday evening was conducted with nothing of significance to report.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

5th Race - # 5 Proudd Pruf (Tr. H. Shelley) unsound, Dr. Peyser.
Refund: \$14,637.80

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

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|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| On Track Attendance: | 714 | On Track Handle: | \$174,789 |
| Off Track Attendance: | <u>2,371</u> | Off Track Handle: | \$484,832 |
| Total: | 3,085 | Out of State: | <u>\$502,510</u> |
| | | Total: | \$1,162,132 |

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> |
|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| 9/26/2008 | 3 | 5 | Olympic Moment | J. Herrick | Sick | Hackathorn | \$676 |
| | 4 | 1 | A Lot Like Love | J. Flores | Injured | Hackathorn | \$282 |
| | 4 | 2 | Brazo Norte | M. Skeen | Lame | Peyser | \$3,055 |
| | 5 | 1 | Kanluran | M. Turner | Injured | Hackathorn | \$501 |
| | 5 | 5 | Elkin's Time | L. Wicker | Sick | Hackathorn | \$180 |
| 9/27/2008 | 1 | 1 | Anearlyeclipse | C. Treece | Unsound | Peyser | \$2,390.50 |
| 9/28/2008 | 5 | 5 | Proudd Pruf | H. Shelley | Unsound | Peyser | \$14,637.80 |

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on September 28, 2008.

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

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

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

Eleven 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 09/25 | FRI 09/26 | SAT 09/27 | SUN 09/28 | WEEK TOTAL | MEET TOTAL |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| ACCIDENTS | D | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| CAL-BRED RACES | | A | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| CLAIMS | | | R | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 604 |
| DISQUALIFICATIONS | | K | | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 50 |
| INQUIRIES | D | | | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 94 |
| REFUNDS | | A | | 1 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 562 |
| RULINGS | | | Y | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 241 |

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

James Dreyer (Steward)

Randy Winick (Steward)

Martin Hamilton (Steward)