

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of August 18, 2009 through August 23, 2009.

**TUESDAY**

08/18/2009

(1) **DUTY STEWARD**

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

(2) **SCRATCHES**

There were no changes at scratch time concluded at 9:00 a.m.

(3) **THE DRAW**

Nine races were drawn for Friday's program. One Thoroughbred and eight Quarter Horse races make up the card.

**WEDNESDAY**

08/19/2009

(1) **SCRATCHES**

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

(2) **THE DRAW**

Ten races were drawn for Saturday's program. Three Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races complete the card.

**THURSDAY**

08/20/2009

(1) **SCRATCHES**

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

(2) **THE DRAW**

Nine races were drawn for Sunday's program. Four Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races make up the card.

(3) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The sixth race in the book for maidens, fillies and mares three years old and upward, claiming price \$4,000, going 300 yards, failed to attract an entry.

(4) LOMELI RULINGRULING #158

JOCKEY MARTIN LOMELI WHO RODE "ILLEGAL DANISH" IN THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2009, IS SUSPENDED FOUR (4) RACING DAYS (AUGUST 27TH, 28TH, 29TH AND 30TH, 2009) FOR ALTERING COURSE WITHOUT SUFFICIENT CLEARANCE IN THE STRETCH CAUSING INTERFERENCE, WHICH IS 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 reviewing last Sunday's fifth race with jockey Lomeli. Also present at the film review were Jockey's Guild Western Regional Manager Darrell Haire and Jockey's Guild Representative Jeff Jerman. Jockey agent Frank Quesada acted as interpreter. After thorough review the Stewards were of the opinion jockey Lomeli was careless in permitting his mount to drift in the length of the stretch.

(5) MENDEZ RULINGRULING #159

JOCKEY SANTIAGO MENDEZ, WHO RODE "ROYAL HOLLAND LINE" IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2009, IS SUSPENDED FOUR (4) RACING DAYS (AUGUST 27TH, 28TH, 29TH, AND 30TH, 2009) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE SHORTLY AFTER THE START, 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.

Jockey Santiago Mendez appeared with his agent/interpreter Frank Quesada to review last Sunday's eighth race with the Stewards. Shortly after the start Mendez allows his horse to drift into the path of a rival, placing the latter in a precarious position.

(6) LATE DECLARATION

8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Running In Snow (Tr. J. Flores) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$239.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	2,355	On Track Handle:	\$148,329
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,353</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$398,585
Total:	4,708	Out of State:	<u>\$485,881</u>
		Total:	\$1,032,795

FRIDAY

08/21/2009

(1) SCRATCHES

One equipment change completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book for maidens, two years old, claiming price \$5,000, going 300 yards, was called off with four entries.

(3) CRAIGMYLE RULINGRULING #160

TRAINER KEITH CRAIGMYLE IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1845 (A) (AUTHORIZED BLEEDER MEDICATION - HORSE NOT REGISTERED AT TIME OF ENTRY) ON JULY 30, 2009.

Trainer Craigmyle was contacted telephonically concerning California Horse Racing Board case #09LA0173. The trainer had neglected to properly register his horse to the bleeder list and accepted this penalty.

(4) JOCKEY REVIEWS RACE

Jockey Otto Arriaga appeared to review last night's first race. The rider had complained after the race that jockey Martin Lomeli had interfered with him going into the quarter pole turn. Replays fail to substantiate Arriaga's assertion. After reviewing the replays, the rider somewhat lowered his accusation and stated Lomeli had yelled at him. Arriaga finally agreed he had made much to do about nothing and apologized.

(5) GOOD RACING

Nine races were completed without a reportable incident.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 10 Graceful Dude (Tr. V. Farris) Stewards – enter back.  
Refund: \$116.00.

5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Red Hot Corona (Tr. F. Quintero) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$319.00.

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Just Wanna Teller (Tr. B. Bowman) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$144.00.

8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Shelbys Surprise (Tr. P. Jones) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$18,090.00.

# 9 Dimples First Dash (Tr. D. Ekins) Stewards – stake.  
Refund: \$121.00.

9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Bloke (Tr. M. Rodriguez) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Bell.  
Refund: \$1,140.00.

# 3 Miss Curly Star (Tr. F. Quintero) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$90.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,217	On Track Handle:	\$145,080
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,780</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$308,786
Total:	3,997	Out of State:	<u>\$677,601</u>
		Total:	\$1,131,467

**SATURDAY**

08/22/2009

(1) THE DRAW

Eight races were drawn for next Thursday's program. One Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races make up the card.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book for maiden fillies two years old, going 300 yards, had four entries and was called off.

(3) RULINGS #161-163

RULING #161

GROOM VICTOR L. ROMO IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1489 (H) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE - MARIJUANA - SECOND OFFENSE). MR. ROMO WILL CONTINUE TO ADHERE TO A TESTING AGREEMENT.

RULING #162

GROOM EFRAIN AYALA IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1489 (H) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE - MARIJUANA - SECOND OFFENSE). MR. AYALA WILL CONTINUE TO ADHERE TO A TESTING AGREEMENT.

RULING #163

GROOM JUAN AYALA IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1489 (H) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE - MARIJUANA - SECOND OFFENSE). MR. AYALA WILL CONTINUE TO ADHERE TO A TESTING AGREEMENT.

These three grooms, "tres amigos," appeared before the Stewards for the second time within two months. All three were issued these fines and warned that next time they tested positive for marijuana they may be suspended.

(4) JOCKEYS REVIEW RACES

Three jockeys reviewed various races with the Stewards. Jockey Raul Ramirez, Jr. appeared to review last night's seventh race. The rider was cautioned to correct a drifting mount a bit quicker. Jockey Alex Bautista reviewed last night's first race and was advised to be more alert leaving the gate. Lastly, jockey Ramon Sanchez reviewed the fourth race from August 15 with the Stewards. Sanchez was a jump slow correcting his mount out of the gate.

(5) TENTH RACE – INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

After the finish of the tenth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards), the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review the start. Involved were the second place finisher #2 "Figgie" (jockey Alex Bautista) and the fourth place finisher #7 "Corona Report" (jockey Julio De La Torre) and the three horses between them. After talking with three of the riders involved and reviewing the tape replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify #2 and #7 and place them, in tandem, behind #4 for interference at the start to #3, #4, and #5. Replays show #2 break out at the start and #7 break in, causing the three horses between them the opportunity at better placings.

Original Order of Finish: 1 – (2) – 5 – (7) – 3 – 4

Official Order of Finish: 1 – 5 – 3 – 4 – (2) – (7)

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 7 Glitterman's Fancy (Tr. L. Espinoza) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$874.00.

10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 A Regal Touch SBL (Tr. C. Treece) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$480.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,187	On Track Handle:	\$156,675
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,449</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$306,037
Total:	3,636	Out of State:	<u>\$733,973</u>
		Total:	\$1,196,695

SUNDAY

08/23/2009

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book for maidens, two years old, claiming price \$8,000, going 300 yards, failed to fill.

(2) RIDERS REVIEW RACES

Four riders reviewed race from last night with the Stewards. From the tenth race double disqualification both riders, Alex Bautista and Julio De La Torre, were not held liable as the interference occurred the first jump out of the gate. Both riders reacted appropriately. Apprentice jockey Cheryl Charlton reviewed last evening's first race. The rider was cautioned to be more careful

when passing another horse. Jockey Rodrigo Aceves reviewed last night's fourth race and was advised to be more attentive in controlling his mount.

(3) FOURTH RACE – ACCIDENT – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the fourth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards), the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an accident at the sixteenth pole. Replays show #8 “My Secret Choice,” racing in the clear, suddenly fell. Jockey Guillermo Suarez jumped up right away and reportedly was okay. The horse suffered a hind end injury and was euthanized on the track.

(4) SEVENTH RACE – INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – DISQUALIFICATION

After the finish of the seventh race (Thoroughbred – 4½ furlongs), the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an accident at the quarter pole turn. Involved were the winner #5 “Pride And Class” (jockey Dionicio Navarro), #2 “Rhinstone Cat” (jockey Baltazar Contreras), who caught a heel and fell at the quarter pole, and #4 “Hurricane Time” (jockey Otto Arriaga), who was trailing the field and ran into the prone #2, unseating her rider. After talking with jockey Navarro and apprentice jockey Cheryl Charlton, riding #1 “Blended Latte,” who was on the inside of #2 when she fell, and reviewing the tape replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify #5 from first and declare her unplaced, for interference at the quarter pole. Replays show #5, on the outside of a three horse spread going into the turn, drift down into the path of #2, causing the latter to clip heels and fall. Both horses that fell were reported to be okay. Jockey Contreras was transported to the hospital with possible rib injuries. Jockey Arriaga appeared okay.

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

Official Order of Finish: 6 – 1 – 3 – 2 (DNF) – 4 (DNF) – 5 (Unplaced)

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 6 Reyna De La Cruz (Tr. J. Nunez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$561.00.

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Dashing Jan (Tr. J. Flores) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$504.00.

5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Star Pool (Tr. H. Sanchez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$305.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	787	On Track Handle:	\$111,162
Off Track Attendance:	2,011	Off Track Handle:	\$253,214
Total:	2,798	Out of State:	\$607,694
		Total:	\$972,070

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>
8/20/2009	8	2	Running In Snow	J. Flores	Sick	Hackathorn	\$239
8/21/2009	5	1	Red Hot Corona	F. Quintero	Sick	Hackathorn	\$319
	7	1	Just Wanna Teller	B. Bowman	Injured	Hackathorn	\$144
	8	6	Shelbys Surprise	P. Jones	Injured	Hackathorn	\$18,090
	9	2	Bloke	M. Rodriguez	Sick	Bell	\$1,140
	9	3	Miss Curly Star	F. Quintero	Sick	Hackathorn	\$90
8/22/2009	1	7	Glitterman's Fancy	L. Espinoza	Sick	Hackathorn	\$874
	10	6	A Regal Touch SBL	C. Treece	Sick	Hackathorn	\$480
8/23/2009	1	6	Reyna De La Cruz	J. Nunez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$561
	4	6	Dashing Jan	J. Flores	Sick	Hackathorn	\$504
	5	5	Star Pool	H. Sanchez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$305

## TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on August 28, 2009.

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

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

List as follows: six for soundness, three for injury, nine for sickness,  
one for medication, one for bleeding, and none for shock wave therapy.

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

This report was submitted by Steward Albert Christiansen.

### CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD SUMMARY

	MON	TUE	WED	THU 08/20	FRI 08/21	SAT 08/22	SUN 08/23	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			0	0	0	2	2	27
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	0	22
CLAIMS			R	2	6	1	2	11	366
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		0	0	2	1	3	41
INQUIRIES	D			0	0	1	2	3	90
REFUNDS		A		1	7	2	3	13	379
RULINGS			Y	2	1	3	0	6	163

Stewards' Attendance: Albert Christiansen, Kim Sawyer, and Randy Winick 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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Randy Winick (Steward)