

**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 September 8, 2009 through September 13, 2009.

**TUESDAY**

09/08/2009

(1) **DUTY STEWARD**

James Dreyer will attend to morning duties and record the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) **SCRATCHES**

Scratch time for Thursday's program resulted in no scratches or rider changes.

(3) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The sixth race in the book for Friday for Cal-Bred three year olds and up with a claiming price of \$2,500 was called off with two entries.

(4) **THE DRAW**

Nine races were drawn at 1:00 p.m. consisting of one Thoroughbred and eight Quarter Horse races.

**WEDNESDAY**

09/09/2009

(1) **SCRATCHES**

One rider switch was the only change on Friday's program.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

Saturday's second race for maiden two year olds, Cal-Bred, for a claiming price of \$8,000 was called off with two entries.

(3) **THE DRAW**

Sixty-five two year olds were entered for the PCQHRA Breeder's Futurity Trials making up eight of the ten Quarter Horse races offered Saturday evening.

**THURSDAY**

09/10/2009

(1) **SCRATCHES**

Scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m. with one blinker change being the only adjustment.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The sixth race in the book for Cal-Bred maidens three and up for \$2,500 was called off with one entry.

(3) THE DRAW

Nine races will be offered Sunday evening consisting of two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races.

(4) NO PROBLEMS

Thursday's program was conducted with nothing of significance to report.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Shock Value (Tr. C. Lopez) colic, Dr. Hackathorn. Refund: \$81.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	582	On Track Handle:	\$129,868
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,617</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$303,130
Total:	2,199	Out of State:	<u>\$429,699</u>
		Total:	\$862,697

**FRIDAY**

09/11/2009

(1) SCRATCHES

Saturday's scratches were a mirror of Saturday's: one blinker change.

(2) KESSLER RULING

RULING #174

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1900 (GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION) OWNER FRANCIS KESSLER, IS SUSPENDED THROUGH THE TERM OF HIS LICENSE FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1489 (A) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE – FELONY CONVICTION).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF SUBJECT ARE SUSPENDED, AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE), SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

The foregoing ruling was issued following a telephonic hearing with Suzanne Kessler, wife of Francis Kessler, who is confined to a bed following back surgeries and is heavily sedated. Mrs. Kessler was completely cooperative and accepted our decision without question.

(3) RODRIGUEZ HEARING (CASE# 09LA0200)

Owner Gregorio Rodriguez was in to address alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1890. Mr. Rodriguez explained that he had a horse in quarantine in Caliente. When he picked the horses up he was given a tranquilizer then proceeded directly to Los Alamitos. He said he was unaware of rule #1890 but accepted full responsibility. Upon arriving here his vehicle was searched and the contraband was discovered. Decision to follow.

(4) FILMS

Francisco Rubio was in to review last night's seventh race. His mount, "Pure Hawkish Magic," broke straight and then ducked out. Francisco admitted he was a bit slow to react and would make a better effort in the future.

(5) CLEAR SAILING

Friday's program was another incident-free evening.

(6) DECLARATIONS, REFUNDS AND CHANGES

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Summit Bid (Tr. P. Jones) entered back in trials, Stewards. Refund: \$412.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	943	On Track Handle:	\$150,272
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,106</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$283,617
Total:	3,049	Out of State:	<u>\$657,187</u>
		Total:	\$1,085,076

**SATURDAY**

09/12/2009

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The third race in the book for Cal-Bred maiden two year olds for \$10,000 went Cal-preferred with five Cal-Breds.

(2) THE DRAW

Two Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races will be presented Thursday evening.

(3) RODRIGUEZ RULING (REFER 09/11/09 (3))

RULING #175

OWNER GREGORIO RODRIGUEZ IS SUSPENDED THIRTY (30) DAYS (SEPTEMBER 19, 2009 THROUGH OCTOBER 18, 2009) PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1891 (SEIZURE OF CONTRABAND) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1489 (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE), RULE #1890 (POSSESSION OF CONTRABAND).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF GREGORIO RODRIGUEZ ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE), SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

FURTHERMORE SUBJECT IS PLACED ON PROBATION FOR THE TERM OF HIS LICENSE.

After due deliberation the above ruling was issued regarding case #09LA0200.

(4) JORGE FARIAS HEARING (CASE# 09LA0197)

Mr. Farias appeared this evening to address his alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1890 and #1902. Present at the formal hearing were this Board of Stewards, Senior Investigator Tom Blake, Assistant Trainer Jorge Farias, and Court Reporter Barbara Weinstein. Mr. Blake presented the case and upon conclusion asked that his packet and the two machines be admitted into evidence as exhibits one and two. There were no objections. Mr. Farias admitted to owning the machines but contended he was unaware they were in his vehicle. He argued the machines were very old and unused. The batteries in the machines belied that contention with expiration dates of 2009 and 2011. The hearing was concluded and Mr. Farias was advised our decision would be forthcoming.

(5) NO PROBLEMS

Nothing of note occurred during Saturday evening's ten-race program.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 JW Streakin Smoothie (Tr. A. Farias) flipped on way to Receiving Barn, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$641.00.

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Feature Th Goodtimes (Tr. C. Lopez) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$541.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,330	On Track Handle:	\$160,566
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,327</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$299,666
Total:	3,657	Out of State:	<u>\$729,752</u>
		Total:	\$1,189,984

**SUNDAY**

09/13/2009

(1) JORGE FARIAS RULING (REFER 09/12/09 (4))

RULING #176

ASSISTANT TRAINER JORGE FARIAS IS HEREBY SUSPENDED FOR ONE (1) YEAR FROM SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16, 2010 FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1890 (POSSESSION OF CONTRABAND), #1902 (CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO HORSE RACING).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF JORGE FARIAS ARE SUSPENDED, AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS), MR. FARIAS IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

After weighing the evidence and considering prior cases, the above ruling was issued.

(2) CLEAR WEEK

As with the previous three days, nothing of significance presented itself during Sunday evening's program.

(3) LATE DECLARATIONS

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 5 BCR Strawflyin Doll (Tr. B. Bowman) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$234.00.

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	671	On Track Handle:	\$124,702
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,763</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$250,533
Total:	<u>2,434</u>	Out of State:	<u>\$591,532</u>
		Total:	\$966,767

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
9/10/2009	4	3	Shock Value	C. Lopez	Colic	Hackathorn	\$81
9/12/2009	6	6	JW Streakin Smoothie	A. Farias	Flipped on way to Receiving Barn	Beck	\$641
	7	1	Feature Th Goodtimes	C. Lopez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$541
9/13/2009	3	5	BCR Strawflyin Doll	B. Bowman	Injured	Hackathorn	\$234

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on September 13, 2009.

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

During this reporting period six horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: two for soundness, three for injury, and one for sickness.

Fifteen 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 09/10	FRI 09/11	SAT 09/12	SUN 09/13	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			0	0	0	0	0	27
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	0	22
CLAIMS			R	3	3	0	3	9	400
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		0	0	0	0	0	43
INQUIRIES	D			0	0	0	0	0	93
REFUNDS		A		1	1	2	1	5	409
RULINGS			Y	0	1	1	1	3	176

Stewards' Attendance: James Dreyer, Kim Sawyer, and Ruben Moreno were in daily attendance during this reporting period.

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James Dreyer (Steward)

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Kim Sawyer (Steward)

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Ruben Moreno (Steward)