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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of November 17, 2009 through November 22, 2009.

**TUESDAY**

11/17/2009

(1) DUTY STEWARD

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

(2) SCRATCHES

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

(3) THE DRAW

Nine races were drawn for Friday's program. Three Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races complete the card.

**WEDNESDAY**

11/18/2009

(1) SCRATCHES

One scratch made up scratch time completed at 9:00 a.m.

(2) THE DRAW

Twelve trials were drawn for the "Los Alamitos 2 Million Futurity."

**THURSDAY**

11/19/2009

(1) SCRATCHES

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

(2) THE DRAW

Nine races were drawn for Sunday's program. Three Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races complete the card.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The second race in the book for maidens two years old, going 350 yards, failed to fill.

(4) INFORMAL HEARING

Trainer Juan Aleman appeared to address a complaint involving an alleged overage of Banamine.

The trainer testified the horse was treated with Banamine paste twenty-four hours before the race. He now realizes using the paste was probably a mistake and will correct the situation. A decision will follow.

(5) PULIDO RULING

RULING #216

OWNER COALCOMAN LLC (VICENTE VALENCIA TREYES & JOSE LUIS PULIDO) IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION - HORSE SHIPPED OUT OF STATE) ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2009.

This ruling was issued after conferring with owner Jose Pulido and trainer Jaime Gomez. Owner Pulido stated his three horses were doing no good and had a van pick them up and take them to Idaho. The owner was unaware one of the horses had been entered. The owner was informed of the penalty and accepted the sanction.

(6) GOOD RACING

Eight races were completed without a reportable incident.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 8 Reyna De La Cruz (Tr. J. Nunez) sick, Dr. Durenberger.  
Refund: \$271.00.

8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Fire On The Street (Tr. J. Gomez) shipped off grounds, Stewards.  
Refund: \$175.00.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	2,938	On Track Handle:	\$114,634
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,275</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$239,954
Total:	5,213	Out of State:	<u>\$487,719</u>
		Total:	\$842,307

**FRIDAY**

11/20/2009

(1) SCRATCHES

One scratch and one rider 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, failed to fill.

(3) RIDERS REVIEW RACES

Two riders appeared to review races from last night and were cautioned to make better efforts. Jockey Francisco Rubio reviewed the sixth race, and Jeff Jerman observed the eighth race.

(4) FORMAL HEARING

California Horse Racing Board complaint #09LA0222 was heard today. The case involves a remand for alleged violation of a positive Banamine in the blood work of a horse to get off the vet's list, against trainer Paul Jones. Present at the hearing were the respondent Paul Jones, his attorney John R. Cogorno, representing the California Horse Racing Board Deputy Attorney General Kenneth C. Jones, Senior Investigator Tom Blake, and the Board of Stewards Kim Sawyer, Ruben Moreno, and Albert Christiansen. Court Reporter Barbara Weinstein recorded the proceedings. After introducing and marking exhibits, oral testimony and closing arguments were heard, the record was closed and the matter was deemed submitted.

(5) SUAREZ RULING

RULING #217

JOCKEY GUILLERMO SUAREZ IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* FOR FAILURE TO FULFILL HIS RIDING ENGAGEMENT AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY,

NOVEMBER 14, 2009, A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT - REPEAT OFFENSE).

Last Saturday jockey Suarez arrived too late for his first mount. Because this appears to be getting to be a habit with Mr. Suarez, the fine was doubled.

(6) ALEMAN RULING (REFER 11/18/09)

RULING #218

TRAINER JUAN ALEMAN WHO STARTED THE HORSE "APOLLITICAL JESS" IN THE SECOND RACE ON OCTOBER 17, 2009 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE IS FINED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1844 © (2) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (a&d) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES) AND #1887 (a) (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION - FLUNIXIN (125 NG/ML)). ALLOWANCE AMOUNT OF FLUNIXIN IS 50 NG/ML (CLASS VI).

This ruling was agreed upon after due deliberation from yesterday's hearing. Mr. Aleman was straight forward in his testimony and took responsibility for his mistake in using Banamine paste.

(7) UNEVENTFUL EVENING

Nine races were contested without a further reportable incident.

(8) LATE DECLARATIONS

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 5 LDS Little Redcorvet (Tr. F. Quintero) sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$531.00.

8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 10 JP Rhythm (Tr. F. Quintero) injured, Dr. Durenberger.  
Refund: \$173.00.

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,330	On Track Handle:	\$167,769
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,741</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$399,596
Total:	5,071	Out of State:	<u>\$801,535</u>
		Total:	\$1,368,900

**SATURDAY**

11/21/2009 (1) CAL-BRED REPORT

There was no Cal-Bred racing as all races on the card were trials for the "Los Alamitos 2 Million Futurity."

(2) SCOTT RULING

RULING #219

JOCKEY JOY SCOTT IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* FOR FAILURE TO FULFILL HER RIDING ENGAGEMENT AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2009, A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT).

The above ruling was issued when Ms. Scott opted to ride at Hollywood Park and missed her mounts at Los Alamitos.

(3) JOCKEY OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the first race (Quarter Horse trial – 400 yards) the Stewards posted the Objection sign at the request of jockey Alejandro Luna aboard the fifth place finisher #5 "Effectiveimmediately." Luna alleged interference shortly after the start by the second place finisher #4 "Fovee" (jockey Eduardo Nicasio). 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, about twenty yards after the start, #4 duck out and bump #5, however, the incident did not cost #5 the opportunity at a better placing.

(4) THIRD RACE – INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

After the finish of the third race (Quarter Horse trial – 400 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an incident about 100 yards after the start. Involved were the fifth place finisher #4 “Moonlight Jump” (jockey Francisco Rubio), the seventh place filly #2 “Jumpn Fish” (jockey Ramon Sanchez) and the eighth place horse #3 “Fact Of The Matter” (jockey Zacharie Kelsey). After talking with two of the riders involved and reviewing replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify #4 from fifth and place him eighth, behind both #2 and #3, for interference shortly after the start. Replays show #4 suddenly duck in, bumping #3 into #2, costing both any chance for better placement.

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

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

(5) FIFTH RACE – INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

After the finish of the fifth race (Quarter Horse trial – 400 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an incident at the start. Involved were the sixth place finisher #1 “We Have A Secret” (jockey J. R. Valenzuela) and the eighth place finisher #2 “Show Me An Effort” (jockey Rodrigo Aceves). After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the tape replays the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify #1 from sixth and place him eighth, behind #2, for interference at the start. Replays show #1 break out at the start, bumping #2, then proceed about 50 yards, drift into the path of #2, both incidents costing the latter any chance at a better placing.

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

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

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 7 This Rouges Dashing (Tr. P. Jones) injured, Dr. Durenberger.  
Refund: \$6,010.00.

10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 4 Righteous Rich (Tr. J. Enriquez) sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$584.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,418	On Track Handle:	\$206,188
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,808</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$358,031
Total:	4,226	Out of State:	<u>\$955,317</u>
		Total:	\$1,519,536

SUNDAY

11/22/2009

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The eighth race in the book, the “Separatist Overnight Handicap,” for three year olds, going 300 yards, failed to fill.

(2) JOCKEYS REVIEW RACES

Jockey J. R. Valenzuela's horse in the fifth race was disqualified from sixth and placed eighth. As Mr. Valenzuela was only here for the evening he was afforded a hearing about five minutes after the race. The blame was placed on the horse as he was trying to drift out from the start. Jockey Eduardo Nicasio, accompanied by his agent Saul Servin, reviewed the first race with the Stewards. The rider was slow in correcting his errant horse. The majority thought the rider's effort did not rise to careless riding; Steward Kim Sawyer voted for days. Jockey's Guild Representative Jay Conklin appeared to review the third race for Francisco Rubio. The blame for the interference could easily be placed on the horse as he suddenly ducked into a left-handed whip.

(3) NO PROBLEMS

Nine races were completed without a reportable incident.

(4) LATE DECLARATION

5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 What A Sequel (Tr. D. Smith) injured, Dr. Durenberger.  
Refund: \$272.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	713	On Track Handle:	\$100,845
Off Track Attendance:	2,429	Off Track Handle:	\$257,287
Total:	3,142	Out of State:	\$617,487
		Total:	\$975,619

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
11/19/2009	3	8	Reyna De La Cruz	J. Nunez	Sick	Durenberger	\$271
11/20/2009	1	5	LDS Little Redcorvet	F. Quintero	Sick	Beck	\$531
	8	10	JP Rhythm	F. Quintero	Injured	Durenberger	\$173
11/21/2009	2	7	This Rogues Dashing	P. Jones	Injured	Durenberger	\$6,010
	10	4	Righteous Rich	J. Enriquez	Sick	Beck	\$584
11/22/2009	5	3	What A Sequel	D. Smith	Injured	Durenberger	\$272

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on November 27, 2009. No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period ten horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: three for soundness, three for injury, three for sickness, none for medication, one for bleeding, and none for shock wave therapy. Four 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 11/19	FRI 11/20	SAT 11/21	SUN 11/22	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			0	0	0	0	0	30
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	0	22
CLAIMS			R	3	4	0	6	13	492
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		0	0	2	0	2	53
INQUIRIES	D			0	0	3	0	3	115
REFUNDS		A		2	2	2	1	7	514
RULINGS			Y	1	2	1	0	4	219

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

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Albert Christiansen (Steward)

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Ruben Moreno (Steward)

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Kim Sawyer (Steward)