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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 August 3, 2010 through August 8, 2010.

**TUESDAY**

08/03/2010 (1) DUTY STEWARD

Steward Randy Winick will attend to morning office matters and record the minutes of this week's activities.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

The draw for Friday's entries was commenced at 12:15 p.m. and a program of ten races were constructed from seven Quarter Horse and three Thoroughbred events.

**WEDNESDAY**

08/04/2010 (1) SCRATCHES

The official 9:00 a.m. scratch time produced only two rider changes.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Saturday's entries were drawn at 12:00 p.m., resulting in a ten race program comprised of seven Quarter Horse and three Thoroughbred races.

**THURSDAY**

08/05/2010 (1) SCRATCHES

Requests for scratches and changes were taken at 9:00 a.m. promptly and resulted in one equipment adjustment, three rider changes and no declarations.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

The draw for Sunday was conducted at 12:15 p.m. and the resulting ten race card is a mix of six Quarter Horse and four Thoroughbred races.

**FRIDAY**

08/06/2010 (1) SCRATCHES

There were no requests for any scratches or changes to Sunday's program at the designated 9:00 a.m. scratch time.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the condition book for California-bred maiden fillies, two years old at a distance of 300 yards, attracted only three entries and was therefore called off.

(3) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Adrian Loza was in as requested to review the fourth race from Sunday evening where he was involved in a disqualification from third place to last for interference shortly out of the starting gate. The film review combined with jockey Loza's statement established that the horse was unmanageable and that it would be hard to find fault with the jockey's effort. No penalty was deemed warranted.

(4) SECURITY VIOLATION

Jockey Joel Cruz was given a warning for unauthorized parking on the backside. Mr. Cruz was told that a penalty could be given for the next incident.

(5) ALEMAN HEARING (CASE #10LA0125)

A formal hearing was conducted to address California Horse Racing Board case #10LA0125, brought against trainer Juan Aleman for a positive test finding of Clenbuterol above the authorized levels. The horse in question was "Manitamanita" who finished second in the fourth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on April 18, 2010.

Present at the hearing were the respondent, trainer Juan Aleman, his attorney Linda Cardenas-Subias, Senior Special Investigator Tom Blake, representing the California Horse Racing Board, Certified Court Reporter Barbara Weinstein and the Board of Stewards, Albert Christiansen, Randy Winick, and Ruben Moreno.

Steward Albert Christiansen opened the record and the court reporter swore in Investigator Blake and trainer Juan Aleman. Investigator Blake began the proceedings by reading the complaint and asking the attorney for the respondent if they will stipulate to the positive test finding. Their response was in the affirmative. Investigator Blake asked trainer Aleman if he administered the Clenbuterol to which he answered no, but possibly the groom or someone else was responsible. Investigator Blake introduces two exhibits into evidence, the complaint and a printout of Juan Aleman's training record over the last ten years.

The proceeding is turned over to the attorney for trainer Juan Aleman who acknowledged the positive test finding but bases a very lengthy defense oratory on Juan Aleman's overall good standing and record as a trainer. She submits exhibits with five subsections describing various facts of this case, centering on mitigating circumstances for a lenient penalty for her client.

Senior Investigator Blake finalized his case, by reiterating that Mr. Aleman is guilty of having a positive test finding in the horse "Manitamanita" and therefore responsible under the Trainer Insurer Rule.

A final closing statement was made by both the attorney and respondent for leniency. After testimony concluded and the exhibits were entered into the record, the hearing was closed and the matter deemed submitted for a decision.

(6) THIRD RACE – INQUIRY/ OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

The Stewards called for an Inquiry as well as a jockey objection by Ramon Guce, following the third race, for alleged interference approaching the 1/8 pole in the 4½ furlong Thoroughbred event. #4 "Outback Melissa" (7<sup>th</sup> – R. Guce) took up in between #3 "Comander's Charm" (2<sup>nd</sup> – S. Iniguez) and #5 "Matinee" (1<sup>st</sup> – E. Gomez) as they were racing as a team in close quarters. After talking to the riders involved and thoroughly reviewing the taped replay, the Stewards could not definitely determine the exact cause due to inconclusive evidence gleaned from the film. The race was declared official as originally finished.

(7) THIRD RACE – BREAKDOWN/ ACCIDENT

During the running of the third race, #7 "Burna Dette" (D.N.F. - C. De Alba) broke down in her

left foreleg as she trailed the field at the 3/16 pole in the 4½ furlong Thoroughbred race. “Burna Dette” was euthanized on the track. Jockey Cesar De Alba fell over the falling horse's head and tumbled to the track surface. Cesar was attended to by the track E.M.T.'s and transported for further observation. (See attached report.) Jockey De Alba was excused for the remainder of the evening.

(8) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 4 Stilorgan (Tr. J. Nunez) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$643.00.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 6 Surprisefor Toulla claimed, Tr. V. Farris.  
# 3 MB Sun Shine (Tr. Y. Rodriguez) jockey Adrian Loza replaced jockey Julio De La Torre (sick).
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 5 A Hawkish Night claimed, Tr. U. De La Torre.  
# 3 Comander's Charm claimed, Tr. E. Freeman.  
# 7 Burna Dette claimed, Tr. V. Farris.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 7 Burna Dette (Tr. D. O'Neill) broke down – euthanized.  
# 3 Check Is Ready (Tr. R. Dominguez) Stewards – entered back.  
Refund: \$503.00.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Ahoy La Jolla claimed, Tr. J. Flores.  
# 6 Silver Helmet claimed, Tr. J. Cooper.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Arriva Corona claimed, Tr. G. Morales.  
# 4 Just Wannabe Special claimed, Tr. J. Romo, Jr.  
# 6 Hawkish Ole claimed, Tr. J. Godinez.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Runaway Galpin claimed, Tr. F. Quintero.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 The Big Dipper (Tr. P. Jones) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$163.00.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Deedashing (Tr. J. Wells) jockey Jay Conklin replaced jockey Cesar De Alba (injured).
- 10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Dashon Away (Tr. M. Loza) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$898.00.  
# 4 Zoomin For Gold (Tr. J. Hanson) Stewards – rider refused.  
Refund: \$12,482.00.

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,144	On Track Handle:	\$172,538.30
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,768</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$362,748.90
Total:	3,912	Out of State:	<u>\$805,581.76</u>
		Total:	\$1,340,868.96

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$377,742

**SATURDAY**

08/07/2010 (1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race in the condition book for California-bred three year olds at a distance of 300 yards for a claiming price of \$10,000, was called off with no entries.

(2) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Floriberto Maldonado was in to review the film from Friday night's first race where his horse was drifting out through the stretch. The Stewards instructed Mr. Maldonado that right-handed whipping is not the best way to stop his mount from drifting outward, that he should resort to more left-hand pressure on his inside rein to correct the outward drift. Floriberto said he would comply in the future.

(3) SECURITY VIOLATION

RULING #84

GROOM RIGOBERTO HERNANDEZ IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1874 (DISORDERLY CONDUCT - INTOXICATION) ON AUGUST 6, 2010.

The above ruling was issued to Mr. Hernandez for speeding in the Los Alamitos parking lot while intoxicated.

(4) MIRGHAFOURI RULING

RULING #85

TRAINER BABAK MIRGHAFOURI IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1845 (e) (AUTHORIZED BLEEDER MEDICATION - HORSE NOT PROPERLY TREATED) ON JULY 2, 2010.

The above ruling was issued to trainer Babak Mirghafouri for not having an attendant present at his barn for the the pre-race anti-bleeder medication administration by his practicing veterinarian, necessitating a late declaration.

(5) EIGHTH RACE – NO SHOW WAGERING

California Horse Racing Board Rule #1954 (Pari-mutuel Pools) was automatically invoked in tonight's eighth race due to two late scratches, reducing the field from six to four starters. To paraphrase Rule #1954: "The association shall provide win and place pools where there are four separate wagering interests which are obligated to start."

(6) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 4 Check Out Liz (Tr. C. O'Dell) jockey Daniel Sandoval replaced jockey Juan Andrade (sick).
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 1 Back Nine Doc claimed, Tr. J. Hanson.  
# 2 Catledo claimed, Tr. C. Treece.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 4 Check Out Chickita (Tr. C. O'Dell) jockey Daniel Sandoval replaced jockey Juan Andrade (sick).
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Hard Eight claimed, Tr. C. Treece.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 My Elite Jessie (Tr. J. Hanson) jockey Jay Conklin replaced jockey Juan Andrade (sick).
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Varsity Girl (Tr. C. D. Gonzalez) Stewards – stake.  
Refund: \$379.00.  
# 4 Jumpn Jessie (Tr. A. Farias) Stewards – stake.  
Refund: \$261.00.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Vagary (Tr. J. J. Romo, Jr.) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$1,024.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,447	On Track Handle:	\$154,038.60
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,567</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$325,384.20
Total:	4,014	Out of State:	<u>\$839,917.81</u>
		Total:	\$1,319,340.61

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$404,653

SUNDAY

08/08/2010

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book for tonight, California-bred maiden two year olds for a claiming price of \$5,000 at a distance of 300 yards, failed to fill and was called off.

(2) FILM REVIEW – HUERTA RULING

Jockey Carlos Huerta was in as requested by the Stewards to review the film from Saturday evening's ninth race where his mount was in the outside post position of the eight horse field and was lugging outward past the middle of the track, when Mr. Huerta hit his horse in the head with the whip.

Carlos reasoned with the Stewards that he had no other option as he thought he might be in

danger of going to the outside fence. The Stewards acknowledged that the horse was getting out but that it was improper and unnecessary to go to the extent he did. Mr. Huerta was told to refrain from this in the future and try other tactics such as pulling his mount up and out of the race if necessary. The Stewards issued the following ruling.

RULING #86

JOCKEY CARLOS M. HUERTA IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1688 (USE OF WHIPS) IN THE NINTH RACE ON AUGUST 7, 2010.

(3) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Salvador Iniguez was in to review the film of Friday night's third race where his mount drifted out slightly around the turn at the 1/8 pole. The Stewards counseled the new rider to be in better control of his mounts on these tight turns. Mr. Iniguez understood the critique.

(4) RACING PROGRAM

This evening's program was conducted without incident.

(5) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 3 Kayakityak (Tr. R. Martinez) Stewards – no lasix.  
Refund: \$890.00.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 1 No Caps No Floors (Tr. C. Robertson) Stewards – rider refused to ride.  
Refund: \$21,579.00.
- # 4 Steve's Way (Tr. J. Nunez) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$218.00.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Taxi Fleet claimed, Tr. C. O'Dell.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Fair The Storm (Tr. D. Givens) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$199.00.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Scare Down claimed, Tr. J. Godinez.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Warren's Yodler claimed, Tr. J. Badilla, Jr.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	862	On Track Handle:	\$136,773.30
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,265</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$274,028.80
Total:	3,127	Out of State:	<u>\$710,299.75</u>
		Total:	\$1,121,101.85

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$372,851

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>
8/6/2010	1	4	Stilorgan	J. Nunez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$643
	8	5	The Big Dipper	P. Jones	Injured	Hackathorn	\$163
	10	1	Dashon Away	M. Loza	Sick	Beck	\$898
8/7/2010	10	5	Vagary	J. J. Romo, Jr.	Sick	Beck	\$1,024
8/8/2010	3	4	Steve's Way	J. Nunez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$218
	6	6	Fair The Storm	D. Givens	Injured	Hackathorn	\$199

## TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on August 13, 2010.

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

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

List as follows: one for soundness, four for injury, three for sickness, six for medication, one for

bleeding, two for shock wave therapy, and one for coggins.

Five horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and

removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Randy Winick.

### CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

#### SUMMARY

	MON	TUE	WED	FRI 08/06	SAT 08/07	SUN 08/08	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			1	0	0	1	25
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	21
CLAIMS			R	9	3	3	15	400
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		0	0	0	0	32
INQUIRIES	D			1	0	0	1	70
REFUNDS		A		5	3	4	12	269
RULINGS			Y	0	2	1	3	86

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

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Randy Winick (Steward)

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Ruben Moreno (Steward)

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Albert Christiansen (Steward)