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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 24, 2010 through August 29, 2010.

TUESDAY

08/24/2010 (1) DUTY STEWARD

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

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

The draw for Friday commenced at 12:30 p.m., resulting in a ten race card composed of eight Quarter Horse and two Thoroughbred events.

WEDNESDAY

08/25/2010 (1) SCRATCHES

The official 9:00 a.m. scratch time produced three rider changes, two declarations and one equipment adjustment.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Saturday evening's draw took place at 12:00 noon, with a card manufactured of eight Quarter Horse and two Thoroughbred races.

THURSDAY

08/26/2010 (1) SCRATCHES

Requests for scratches and changes were taken at the usual 9:00 a.m. deadline, which resulted in there being three declarations, two rider changes, and one equipment and medication adjustment.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

The entries for Sunday were drawn at 3:00 p.m. and the ten race card will be made up of seven Quarter Horse and three Thoroughbred races.

FRIDAY

08/27/2010

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was void of any declarations or changes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Friday evening's scheduled California-bred race, for three year olds and upward with a claiming price of \$20,000 at a distance of 350 yards, was called off without an entry.

(3) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Joel Cruz reviewed Sunday evening's fourth race where he drifted out several paths from his #1 post through the first half of the 300 yard Quarter Horse race. Mr. Cruz came over on #2 to his outside and was marginally clear. Jockey Cruz said his mount was difficult to handle and was lugging out badly. The Stewards in a close call gave Joel a warning but insisted that he do a much better job in the future.

Jockey Daniel Sandoval came in to review the seventh race from Sunday evening where he was disqualified from second to fourth place for a bumping incident in deep stretch. After a thorough review, the Stewards came to the conclusion that Daniel's mount made a sudden move to his left that may have been unavoidable. The Stewards voted for no suspension due to the horse being a significant part of the problem.

(4) NICASIO WARNING

Jockey Eduardo Nicasio was given a warning for his being late to fulfill his mounts in the third and fourth races from Sunday evening. He did however ride the ninth race as scheduled. Eduardo lives in Bakersfield, which is a very long commute to Los Alamitos, combined with heavy traffic on Sunday evening, was essentially his defense. The Stewards mitigated the situation due to the fact he called and did make it to ride his later mount.

(5) RACING

Tonight's program was conducted without a hitch.

(6) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 3rd Race - # 1 Second Hand Lion claimed, Tr. D. Givens.
- # 5 Special Mnm claimed, Tr. S. Perez.
- 5th Race - # 3 San Darino (Tr. C. Treece) Stewards – rider refused to ride.
 Refund: \$11,490.00.
- # 6 Flash Dancer (Tr. J. Hanson) veterinarian–unsound in post parade, Dr. Hackathorn.
 Refund: \$17,445.00.
- 6th Race - # 2 Owners Manual (Tr. J. Alcalá) veterinarian – unsound, Dr. Beck.
 Refund: \$1,393.00.
- # 6 Why Not Us claimed, Tr. K. Craigmyle.
- 7th Race - # 3 Fruitstand Hawk (Tr. F. Gonzalez) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Beck.
 Refund: \$1,640.00.
- 8th Race - # 6 Dream The Day Away claimed, Tr. A. Farias.
- 9th Race - # 1 Sasha Corona claimed, Tr. L. Hernandez.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,134	On Track Handle:	\$152,042.10
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,658</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$305,984.10
Total:	3,792	Out of State:	<u>\$783,178.08</u>
		Total:	\$1,241,204.28

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$370,876

SATURDAY

08/28/2010

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the condition book for California-bred maidens, three years old and upward for a claiming price of \$8,000 at a distance of 300 yards, failed to fill with only one entrant and was called off.

(2) ENRIQUE GONZALEZ COMPLAINT (CASE #10LA0215)

The above referenced complaint was heard by this Board of Stewards regarding alleged unpaid financial services owed to trainer Eloy Navarro by owner Enrique Gonzalez in the amount of \$12,866.45. These charges are primarily for daily training and 10% purse earnings over a period of approximately three months.

Present at the informal hearing were the respondent, owner Enrique Gonzalez, his racing manager Antonio Perez, complainant, trainer Eloy Navarro, his brother Efrain Navarro, and the Board of Stewards, Albert Christiansen, Randy Winick and Ruben Moreno.

Both Mr. Navarro and Mr. Gonzalez presented their recollections of how much trainer Eloy Navarro was owed and under what arrangement he was hired by Mr. Gonzalez. The details vary greatly in their respective opinions. These arguments go back and forth with little compromise realized. In the end no agreement was reached to resolve this matter, so it was left in the hands of both the respondent and complainant to seek other avenues to settle this matter.

(4) SIXTH RACE – INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

After the finish of the sixth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry light to review an incident shortly after the start, where a chain reaction event took place started by #9 “Hawkish Knight” (4th – J. Cruz) when he broke sharply inward on #8 who in turn squeezed #6, #5, and finally #4, who took up sharply, losing his position and ultimately any opportunity at a better placing in the opinion of the Stewards. After numerous reviews of the taped replay, the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify #9 from fourth to ninth and last for interference out of the starting gate.

Original Order of Finish: 1 – 8 – 10 – (9) – 7 – 5 – 6 – 2 – 4

Official Order of Finish: 1 – 8 – 10 – 7 – 5 – 6 – 2 – 4 – (9)

(5) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race - # 7 Trying (Tr. J. Godinez) Stewards – entered back.

Refund: \$403.00.

4th Race - # 2 Holland Legend (Tr. J. Flores) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$371.00.

6th Race - # 3 Check Out Chickita (Tr. C. O'Dell) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Beck.

Refund: \$365.00.

10th Race - # 5 Feel O Effort (Tr. J. Nunez) Stewards – rider refused.

Refund: \$17,685.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance: 1,238

Off Track Attendance: 2,390

Total: 3,628

On Track Handle: \$165,674.70

Off Track Handle: \$296,353.90

Out of State: \$763,073.42

Total: \$1,225,102.02

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$383,468

SUNDAY

08/29/2010

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book for California-bred maiden two year olds, with a claiming price of \$5,000 at a distance of 350 yards, failed to fill and was called off.

(2) FILM REVIEWS

Jockey Carlos Huerta was in to review a race from Friday evening where he was counseled to make a better effort in pulling his horse off another to his outside and keeping him straight. Carlos appreciated the critique and offered to do better in the future.

Jockey Joel Cruz reviewed the sixth race from Saturday evening where he was disqualified from fourth to last for interference out of the starting gate. Joel's mount broke inward from his outside

post, setting off a chain reaction with four horses to his inside, ultimately costing the last horse affected any chance at a better placing. In this body of Stewards' opinion, Mr. Cruz did the best he could to prevent this by grabbing his outside rein as quick as he could, but to no avail in stopping the initial contact, which set the event in motion. No sanction was warranted as the horse was greatly to blame.

Jockey Rodrigo Aceves was in to review the second race from Friday evening where his horse drifted in from the outside post position (#9) and crossed paths with (#8) Cesar De Alba. After a thorough review of this incident it was revealed that both horses contributed to this incident. Rodrigo was told to be careful even though he was not entirely responsible. The Stewards thought no sanction was necessary.

(3) TAPIA RULING

RULING #97

APPRENTICE JOCKEY GENARO TAPIA IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1680 (JOCKEYS AND DRIVERS TO REPORT - LATE TO REPORT) ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 2010.

The above ruling was issued to apprentice jockey Genaro Tapia for reporting late to the Jockey's Quarters for the first race on Saturday evening, August 28, 2010. Mr. Tapia offered a poor excuse of not having his phone with him and being in traffic.

(4) TRAINER AND STARTER REVIEW FILM

Trainer Dan Francisco asked to see the Stewards to review several incidents he was concerned about with the starter and his assistants regarding recent poor starts. Starter John Baker and one of his assistants, Joe Garcia, were in to give their assessment of these allegations. After a thorough review of these races, the Stewards could see that nothing untoward happened and that just bad racing luck was mostly responsible for the less than perfect breaks. Trainer Dan Francisco was still somewhat unhappy and mostly disagreed with the review. Everyone agreed to disagree.

(5) NINTH RACE – NO SHOW WAGERING

Tonight's ninth race offered no show wagering due to anticipation of a large minus pool caused by prohibitive favorite, #5 "Snitcher." The request was submitted by Los Alamitos' Director of Racing Ron Church and approved by California Horse Racing Board Executive Director Kirk E. Breed. "Snitcher" went off at 1-9 odds at post time.

(6) RACING

Tonight's racing was completed without incident.

(7) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

3rd Race - # 4 Mi Mejor Carta claimed, Tr. P. Aguirre.
6 Chobe Chika claimed, Tr. J. Hanson.
5th Race - # 3 Tricky Speed claimed, Tr. A. Aquino.
7th Race - # 3 Jazzing Juvie claimed, Tr. J. Wells.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	829	On Track Handle:	\$127,942.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,099</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$280,042.80
Total:	2,928	Out of State:	<u>\$725,493.20</u>
		Total:	\$1,133,478.20

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$398,253

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
8/27/2010	5	6	Flash Dancer	J. Hanson	Unsound in post parade	Hackathorn	\$17,445
	6	2	Owners Manual	J. Alcala	Unsound	Beck	\$1,393
	7	3	Fruitstand Hawk	F. Gonzalez	Sick	Beck	\$1,640
8/28/2010	4	2	Holland Legend	J. Flores	Sick	Hackathorn	\$371
	6	3	Check Out Chickita	C. O'Dell	Sick	Beck	\$365

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on August 29, 2010.

No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period seventeen horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: six for soundness, one for injury, two for sickness, five for medication, one for bleeding, and two for shock wave therapy.

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

This report was submitted by Steward Randy Winick.

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SUMMARY

	MON	TUE	WED	FRI 08/27	SAT 08/28	SUN 08/29	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			0	0	0	0	26
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	21
CLAIMS			R	5	1	4	10	423
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		0	1	0	1	37
INQUIRIES	D			0	1	0	1	75
REFUNDS		A		4	4	0	8	291
RULINGS			Y	0	0	1	1	97

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

Randy Winick (Steward)

Ruben Moreno (Steward)

Albert Christiansen (Steward)