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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of February 26, 2013 through March 3, 2013.

TUESDAY

02/26/2013

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will be present for morning business and shall author the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The second race in the book for Friday, maiden fillies three years old, was called off with two (1 CAL-BRED). Sub #3 in the book, three year olds for a claiming price of \$2,500, was off with no entries.

(3) THE DRAW

A late draw resulted in four Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races.

WEDNESDAY

02/27/2013

(1) SCRATCHES

One declaration and one rider change completed Friday's program changes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Saturday's third race, maiden three year olds, was called off with one (0 CAL-BREDS).

(3) THE DRAW

Saturday's nine race card will be comprised of four Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races.

THURSDAY

02/28/2013

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was conducted at 9:00 a.m. resulting in one equipment and one rider change.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The seventh race in the book for Sunday, three year old fillies, failed to attract an entry. Sub #1 for Sunday, three year olds for a \$4,000 tag, was off with two (1 CAL-BRED).

(3) THE DRAW

Following another marathon session, nine races were finally assembled consisting of four Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse contests.

FRIDAY

03/01/2013

(1) SCRATCHES

One equipment change was the only adjustment on Sunday's program.

(2) NAVARRO RULINGRULING #36

HAVING COMPLETED AND MET THE REQUIREMENT OF RULING #17 ISSUED ON JANUARY 26, 2013 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE AND HAVING TESTED CLEAN, JOCKEY DIONICIO NAVARRO IS RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING.

The above ruling was issued, reinstating jockey Dionicio Navarro to good standing.

(3) RULINGS #37-38RULING #37

TRAINER WILTON WHITEHOUSE WHO STARTED THE HORSE "GOLD SILVER" IN THE FIRST RACE ON JANUARY 4, 2013 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE IS FINED TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (a) (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES – METHOCARBAMOL – CLASS IV).

RULING #38

TRAINER LORENZO RUIZ, THE SUBSTITUTE TRAINER OF THE HORSE "GOLD SILVER," WHO STARTED IN THE FIRST RACE ON JANUARY 4, 2013 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (a) (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (a&d) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES – METHOCARBAMOL – CLASS IV).

An informal hearing was conducted to address cases #13LA0036 and #13LA0043. Trainer Ruiz was in attendance while trainer Whitehouse responded telephonically. Mr. Ruiz testified that trainer Whitehouse had shipped the horse to him and accepted complete responsibility, stating that Whitehouse was never at Los Alamitos. The horse in question, "Gold Silver," is gray. Ruiz explained that he had another gray in an adjacent stall, which he intended to work on January 5th. When he realized he was in the wrong stall, "Gold Silver" had already received the Robaxin. The Stewards felt that the trainer of record, Whitehouse, was still culpable, but the mitigating circumstances justified the reduced penalty.

(4) GAVICA RULINGRULING #39

JOCKEY GERARDO PIMIEN GAVICA WHO RODE "EL VALENTIN" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2013, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (MARCH 8TH, 9TH, AND 10TH, 2013) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FOURTH TO FIFTH POSITION. 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.

The foregoing ruling issued after reviewing Sunday's first race with jockey Gavica. Films show Gerardo's mount drifting in while he is slapping him on the shoulder right-handed. The rider had very little in the way of any defense.

(5) GOMEZ RULINGRULING #40

JOCKEY EULICES GOMEZ WHO RODE "ARGYLL LAD" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2013, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (MARCH 8TH, 9TH, AND 10TH, 2013) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIFTH TO SIXTH POSITION. 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 Eulices Gomez was in to defend himself after his mount was disqualified in Sunday's first race. After reviewing the film it was difficult to find anything that would exonerate him, resulting in the above ruling.

(6) FOURTH RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the Inquiry following the fourth race to review the start. Films confirm #6 "Cant Buy Class" (2nd – G. Arriaga) ducked in sharply knocking #5 "Hawkarunner" (5th – C. Mendez) into #4 "Running Thru Fire" (7th – A. Bautista), eliminating any opportunity they may have had. After polling the riders and examining the replay, the decision was unanimous to disqualify "Cant Buy Class."

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

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

(7)

LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race - # 8 JM's Golden Legacy (Tr. L. Espinoza) entered back, Stewards.

Refund: \$1,017.00.

9th Race - # 3 Stick Shift SC (Tr. H. Loma) sick, Dr. Beck.

Refund: \$782.00.

4 Boot Up Your Assets (Tr. P. Visscher) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$420.00.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	939	On Track Handle:	\$131,789.80
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,207</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$384,500.20
Total:	3,146	Out of State:	<u>\$830,819.82</u>
		Total:	\$1,347,109.82

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$430,767

SATURDAY

03/02/2013

(1) FILMS

Jockey Victor Carrero was in to review last evening's third race (Thoroughbred – 4½ furlongs) with the Stewards. Nearing the 3/8 pole Victor's mount drifted in, making it somewhat tight for the horses inside of him. The Stewards felt the incident had no bearing on the outcome of the race but wanted Carrero to review it and be a little more aware of his position.

(2) FILMS

Jockey Gregorio Arriaga was by to go over his disqualification in last night's fourth race. After examining the film, the Stewards felt Arriaga had made a commendable effort to control his mount and was held blameless.

(3) THIRD RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the Inquiry following the third race to examine an incident going into the turn. Approaching the far turn #3 "Helimark" (2nd – D. Williams) changed leads without allowing #1 "Gannicus" (7th – V. Bednar) enough room shoving him into the fence, forcing

him to take up. After speaking to the involved riders and reviewing the film, the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify "Helimark."

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

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

2nd Race - # 2 Iamtheganster (Tr. A. Soto) sick, Dr. Beck.
 Refund: \$2,296.00.

7th Race - # 2 This Lady Can Fish (Tr. S. Martinez) unsound, Dr. Hackathorn.
 Refund: \$8,288.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,234	On Track Handle:	\$152,850.60
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,082</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$380,264.90
Total:	3,316	Out of State:	<u>\$814,662.69</u>
		Total:	\$1,347,778.19

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$422,077

SUNDAY

03/03/2013

(1) MIKELSON RULING

RULING #41

IN THE MATTER OF: DOUGLAS MIKELSON (DBA KINGS RIVER CATTLE COMPANY)

HAVING NOW SATISFIED THE OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL OBLIGATION TO TRAINER JAMES HANSON, THE LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF OWNER DOUGLAS MIKELSON ARE RESTORED AND LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE RULING # 29, DATED FEBRUARY 10, 2013, SUSPENDING DOUGLAS MIKELSON FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR), IS HEREBY SET ASIDE AND DOUGLAS MIKELSON IS RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING.

The foregoing ruling was issued after receiving confirmation that owner Doug Mikelson had satisfied his training bill with Jim Hanson.

(2) FILMS

Jockey Vinnie Bednar reviewed the third race last evening with the Stewards. During the run down the backstretch under a left-handed whip, his mount drifted out causing Gary Boag on "Boston Baked Bean" to steady. The incident was minor enough that the Stewards did not feel they needed to intervene.

(3) WILLIAMS RULING

RULING #42

JOCKEY DEE DEE WILLIAMS WHO RODE "HELMARK" IN THE THIRD RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2013, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (MARCH 10TH, 15TH, AND 16TH, 2013) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HER MOUNT FROM SECOND TO SEVENTH POSITION. 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.

The above ruling was issued after meeting with jockey Dee Dee Williams to discuss her ride in the third race last evening. After reviewing the run into the turn (refer 03/02/13 #3), the Stewards could find very little to defend her lack of a response during the incident.

(4) NINTH RACE – OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

Following the ninth race, jockey Ramon Sanchez on the #2 "Check N Fetch" lodged an Objection against both #1 "Attack The Cartel" and #3 "Tres Of Linda." Although there was minimal interference, films failed to uphold his contention that his placing in the race was compromised. No change was warranted.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

4th Race - # 2 Polly's Dancer (Tr. E. January) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$2,171.00.

5 Dream Caught (Tr. L. Espinoza) sick, Dr. Beck.

Refund: \$284.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	795	On Track Handle:	\$145,373.30
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,905</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$463,293.10
Total:	2,700	Out of State:	<u>\$913,506.33</u>
		Total:	\$1,522,172.73

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$527,109

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>
3/1/2013	9	3	Stick Shift SC	H. Loma	Sick	Beck	\$782
	9	4	Boot Up Your Assets	P. Visscher	Injured	Hackathorn	\$420
3/2/2013	2	2	Iamtheganster	A. Soto	Sick	Beck	\$2,296
	7	2	This Lady Can Fish	S. Martinez	Unsound	Hackathorn	\$8,288
3/3/2013	4	2	Polly's Dancer	E. January	Sick	Hackathorn	\$2,171
	4	5	Dream Caught	L. Espinoza	Sick	Hackathorn	\$284

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted March 3, 2013. No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period thirty-nine horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: three for soundness, one for injury, three for sickness, twenty-nine for medication, none for bleeding, one for shock wave therapy, and two for coggins. Thirteen 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	FRI 03/01	SAT 03/02	SUN 03/03	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	3
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		5	7	1	13	155
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	1	1	0	2	11
INQUIRIES	D				1	1	1	3	22
REFUNDS		A			2	2	2	6	69
RULINGS			Y		5	0	2	7	42

Stewards' Attendance: James Dreyer, Albert Christiansen, and George Slender were in daily attendance during this reporting period.

James Dreyer (Steward)

Albert Christiansen (Steward)

George Slender (Steward)