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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of December 3, 2013 through December 8, 2013.

TUESDAY

12/03/2013

(1) **DUTY STEWARD**

Ruben Moreno will be on duty this week attending to morning office matters and recording the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) **ENTRIES AND DRAW**

Nine races were drawn for Friday night's card consisting of four Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse events. The draw was completed at 12:45 p.m.

(3) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The eighth race in the book for Friday, California-bred three year olds and upwards, claiming price \$10,000, going 350 yards, failed to fill with no entries (0 CAL-BREDS).

WEDNESDAY

12/04/2013

(1) **SCRATCHES**

Friday scratches were taken at 9:00 a.m. resulting in no scratches, no rider changes, and one equipment change for Friday evening's program.

(2) **ENTRIES AND DRAW**

Nine races were drawn for Saturday night's card consisting of three Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse events. The draw was completed at 12:45 p.m.

(3) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The seventh race in the book for Saturday, California-bred three year olds and upwards, claiming price \$12,500, going 350 yards, failed to fill with no entries (0 CAL-BREDS). Sub #2 in the book also for Saturday, California-bred two year olds, claiming price \$10,000, going 350 yards, failed to fill with no entries (0 CAL-BREDS).

THURSDAY

12/05/2013

(1) **SCRATCHES**

Scratches for Saturday were held at 9:00 a.m. resulting in one scratch, one rider change, and no equipment changes for Saturday evening's program.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Eight races were drawn for Sunday night's card consisting of three Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse events. The draw was completed at 5:00 p.m.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The second race in the book for Sunday, California-bred maiden two year olds, claiming price \$6,250, going 300 yards, failed to fill with two entries (2 CAL-BREDS).

FRIDAY

12/06/2013

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratches for Sunday were held at 9:00 a.m. resulting in no scratches, no rider changes, and no equipment changes for Sunday evening's program.

(2) MENDEZ FILM REVIEW

Jockey Santiago Mendez appeared before the Stewards with his valet/interpreter, Pepe Magana, to review his ride in the fourth race on Sunday, December 1, 2013. Film review showed Jockey Mendez's mount, #3 "Corona Jess," out breaking him at the start. Jockey Mendez offered the explanation that Trainer Jose Flores had told him "Corona Jess" was very light-mouthed and not to break on his mouth. The Stewards pointed out that they felt his ride had the appearance of a very poor effort, and the betting public deserved better. Jockey Mendez was warned repeat performances of this nature would not be tolerated.

(3) MORENO HEARING – CASES #13LA0237 & #13LA0239

A combined hearing was held today to address the two positive tests for Clenbuterol against trainer of record, Jose Moreno. Case #13LA0237 referenced a complaint involving "Sure Fire First" who finished second in the fourth race on October 5, 2013 and case #13LA0239 involving "My Charming Chance" who finished second in the second race on October 6, 2013. Trainer Moreno was cited with violation of California Horse Racing Board Rules #1843 (a, b & d), #1859.5, and #1887. In addition to these positive findings of the University of California Davis Laboratory, the presence of Clenbuterol was also verified in the split samples from both horses requested by Trainer Jose Moreno from the Florida Racing Laboratory at the University of Florida.

Present at the hearing were Trainer Jose Moreno, owner of "My Charming Chance," Jesus Uranga, California Horse Racing Board Senior Investigator Tom Blake, Stewards James Dreyer, Ruben Moreno, and George Slender, Court Reporter Michelle Derieg with California Horse Racing Board Representative Kevin Kitashima presenting the case.

In addressing Case #13LA0237, Trainer Jose Moreno testified that he had no idea how "Sure Fire First" received the drug as he does not use Clenbuterol at his barn. He again made the statement in reference to Case #13LA0239 involving "My Charming Chance." Mr. Moreno testified to not knowing how either horse received the drug Clenbuterol. In both situations, the horses were shipped into his barn approximately 24 hours prior to racing. Both horses came directly from the owners' ranches.

Owner of "My Charming Chance," Jesus Uranga, testified that he also never uses Clenbuterol but does have a tackbox at this ranch that has other medications. While this tackbox is locked at all times, there are other horsemen at the ranch who have key access. He offered the opinion that their medications could have gotten mixed with his but still did not know how "My Charming Chance" could have received the drug.

After testimony was completed, Trainer Jose Moreno was advised that as the trainer of record he would be held the responsible party for the condition of a horse entering a race, regardless of other circumstances. The hearing was concluded with a decision to follow.

(4) PURSE REDISTRIBUTIONRULING #172

ACTING UPON A REPORT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA DAVIS, AN OFFICIAL TESTING LABORATORY OF THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD THAT

URINE SAMPLE# LA24509, TAKEN FROM THE HORSE "CARLOTA", THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON OCTOBER 25, 2013, TESTED POSITIVE FOR CLENBUTEROL (CLASS III). IT IS ORDERED THAT "CARLOTA" BE DISQUALIFIED FROM ALL PURSE MONIES EARNED IN SAID RACE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1859.5 (DISQUALIFICATION UPON POSITIVE TEST).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT ALL PURSE MONIES (\$3,630.00) EARNED BY OWNER JOSE M. DE LA TORRE AND GUSTAVO DE LA TORRE, TRAINER JOSE DE LA TORRE AND JOCKEY EDUARDO NICASIO BE RETURNED TO THE PAYMASTER OF PURSES AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE BY JANUARY 6, 2014 FOR REDISTRIBUTION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1760 (PURSE AWARD OR PRIZE TO BE WITH HELD). REVISED ORDER OF FINISH IS AS FOLLOWS:

1ST THE PARTY IS HOT
 2ND SHADED DASH
 3RD THE TRACK
 4TH CATCHER DASHER
 5TH STEL KATIE

ALL RECORDS ARE ORDERED TO REFLECT THIS RULING IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1956 (RACE DECLARED OFFICIAL), THIS RULING SHALL NOT AFFECT THE PARI-MUTUEL PAYOFFS.

The foregoing ruling was issued in compliance with California Horse Racing Board Rule #1859.5 (Disqualification Upon Positive Test Finding) for Trainer Jose De La Torre's positive testing for Clenbuterol, a class III drug.

(5) VALENZUELA RULING

RULING #173

JOCKEY RAUL A. VALENZUELA IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR FAILURE TO FULFILL HIS RIDING ENGAGEMENTS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2013. A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT).

This ruling was issued after Jockey Valenzuela missed several mounts on Saturday, December 1, 2013. Traffic was blamed but not accepted as an excuse.

(6) VOIDED CLAIMS

Two claims were voided Friday evening. In the first race, the \$2,500 claim on #4 "My Devilish Diva" by Trainer Lindolfo Diaz and the sixth race \$3,200 claim by Trainer Yanet Rodriguez on "Dashers Jessie" were voided by the Stewards after Track Veterinarian Dr. Gary Beck's examinations at the Receiving Barn post-race found them to be unsound. The two horses were placed on the Vet's List and returned to their trainer of record's barn.

(7) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race - # 4 My Devilish Diva (Tr. J. Clark) claimed, Tr. L. Diaz – VOIDED.
 # 5 Moonlite Classic (Tr. F. Gonzalez) entered back, Stewards.
 Refund: \$282.00.
 # 6 Shesonlyseventeen (Tr. G. Greiner) claimed, Tr. R. Hanson.
 # 7 Hot List (Tr. R. Bean) injured, Dr. Beck.
 Refund: \$2,075.00.
 3rd Race - # 5 Dynagain (Tr. R. Bean) claimed, Tr. C. Treece.
 5th Race - # 6 Put It There (Tr. D. Givens) claimed, Tr. C. Treece.
 6th Race - # 3 Dashers Jessie (Tr. R. Hanson) claimed, Tr. Y. Rodriguez – VOIDED.
 # 6 This Captains Klas (Tr. C. Treece) claimed, Tr. G. Morales.
 7th Race - # 5 Unrelenting Heat (Tr. E. January) jockey refused to ride, Stewards.
 Refund: \$7,284.00.
 # 6 Floathruthair (Tr. K. Craigmyle) claimed, Tr. L. Diaz.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	885	On Track Handle:	\$99,407.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,049</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$264,465.30
Total:	2,934	Out of State:	<u>\$660,138.73</u>
		Total:	\$1,024,011.73

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$364,449

SATURDAY

12/07/2013

(1) ZAMUDIO HEARING – CASE #13LA0226

A formal hearing was held to address a positive finding of Clenbuterol in the horse "Mr TR Dasher" who ran in the third race, finishing second on September 22, 2013. Trainer of record is Valentin Zamudio. At Mr. Zamudio's request, a split sample was sent to the University of Pennsylvania Equine Toxicology & Research Laboratory, which also tested positive for Clenbuterol.

Present at the hearing were Trainer Valentin Zamudio and his wife, Erma Zamudio, California Horse Racing Board Supervising Senior Investigator Tom Blake, Stewards James Dreyer, Ruben Moreno, and George Slender, Court Reporter Michelle Derieg with California Horse Racing Board Representative Kevin Kitashima presenting the case.

Trainer Valentin Zamudio stated that he does not use Clenbuterol in his barn and had no knowledge of how "Mr TR Dasher" had gotten the drug. Mr. Zamudio stated that the horse was transported from Owner Santos Montemayor's farm by an employee of the farm, Genaro Sanchez. The horse arrived at approximately 12:00 p.m. on September 21, 2013. Mr. Zamudio further stated that "Mr TR Dasher" was treated with Clenbuterol at the owner's farm but had stopped treatment 30 days prior to race day.

After all testimony was presented, Trainer Zamudio was reminded that he was the trainer of record and, as such, responsible for the condition of the horse at race time. The hearing was concluded with a decision to follow.

(2) GOOD NIGHT OF RACING

Saturday's nine races were concluded without notable incident.

(3) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race - # 3 Illegal Velocity (Tr. D. Givens) jockey Vinnie Bednar replaced jockey Juan Andrade (sick).

5 This Habits A Secret (Tr. G. Amezcua) jockey Ramon Guce replaced jockey Leonardo Gonzalez (no show).

6 Firepowered (Tr. D. Montes) jockey Dionicio Navarro replaced jockey Reuben Lozano (no show).

8 Streakin Bona (Tr. R. Dominguez) jockey Santiago Mendez replaced jockey Abel Ramirez (transportation problems).

4th Race - # 2 Alittlebitofivory (Tr. B. Vickery) claimed, Tr. Y. Rodriguez.

5th Race - # 3 Sir Hamilton (Tr. D. Azcarate) rider refused to ride, Stewards.
Refund: \$6,349.00.

6th Race - # 1 Famous Outlaw Jesse (Tr. J. Cooper) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$474.00.

7th Race - # 4 Queens Peg (Tr. R. Hanson) claimed, Tr. C. Treece.

9th Race - # 1 Koala Special SA (Tr. V. Zamudio) claimed, Tr. C. Joiner.

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	905	On Track Handle:	\$93,303.30
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,879</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$268,065.00
Total:	2,784	Out of State:	<u>\$553,634.76</u>
		Total:	\$915,003.06

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$314,886

SUNDAY
12/08/2013

(1) GONZALEZ RULINGRULING #174

JOCKEY LEONARDO R. GONZALEZ IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR FAILURE TO FULFILL HIS RIDING ENGAGEMENT AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2013. A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT).

The above ruling was issued for Jockey Leonardo Gonzalez's failure to fulfill his riding commitment in the second race on Saturday, December 7, 2013.

(2) LOZANO RULINGRULING #175

JOCKEY REUBEN LOZANO IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR FAILURE TO FULFILL HIS RIDING ENGAGEMENT AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2013. A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT).

The above ruling was issued for Jockey Reuben Lozano's failure to fulfill his riding commitment in the second race on Saturday, December 7, 2013.

(3) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race - # 3 Mark's Cat (Tr. K. Craigmyle) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$584.00.

5 Atta Boy Lucky (Tr. T. McCanna) claimed, K. Craigmyle.

6 Mi Agave (Tr. K. Craigmyle) claimed, Tr. C. Treece.

2nd Race - # 3 Mo Chuisle (Tr. C. Joiner) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$419.00.

3rd Race - # 1 Spankster (Tr. H. Sanchez) rider refused to ride, Stewards.
Refund: \$7,322.00.

4th Race - # 1 Trial Of Faith (Tr. J. Godinez) claimed, Tr. H. Ho.

7 Velvet And Chenille (Tr. S. Fiscal) broke through starting gate, Stewards.
Refund: \$11,524.00.

7th Race - # 5 LDS Bridger B (Tr. B. Vickery) jockey Cody Jensen replaced jockey Eduardo Nicasio (sick).

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	958	On Track Handle:	\$107,000.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,803</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$337,186.90
Total:	<u>2,761</u>	Out of State:	<u>\$597,927.61</u>
		Total:	\$1,042,114.51

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$355,545.48

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>
12/6/2013	1	7	Hot List	R. Bean	Injured	Hackathorn	\$2,075
12/7/2013	6	1	Famous Outlaw Jesse	J. Cooper	Injured	Hackathorn	\$474
12/8/2013	1	3	Mark's Cat	K. Craigmyle	Injured	Hackathorn	\$584
	2	3	Mo Chuisle	C. Joiner	Sick	Hackathorn	\$419

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on December 8, 2013. 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: five for soundness, two for injury, one for sickness, two for medication, none for bleeding, none for shock wave therapy, and none for coggins. Eight horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Ruben Moreno.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
SUMMARY**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 12/06	SAT 12/07	SUN 12/08	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	17
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	22
CLAIMS			R		5	3	3	11	613
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	44
INQUIRIES	D				0	0	0	0	84
REFUNDS		A			3	2	4	9	339
RULINGS			Y		2	0	2	4	175

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards Ruben Moreno, George Slender, and James Dreyer were in attendance during this reporting period.

Ruben Moreno (Steward)

George Slender (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)