

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of April 19, 2016 through April 24, 2016.

TUESDAY

04/19/2016

(1) **ENTRY DAY**

Interim Racing Secretary Jay Conklin and his staff were on hand in the racing department accepting entries for Friday, April 22nd. Eight (8) races were drawn, consisting of six (6) Quarter Horse and two (2) Thoroughbred events. Fifty (50) horses are slated to face starter Gary Brinson.

(2) **CAL– BRED REPORT**

The seventh race in the book was written for California Bred maiden Quarter Horses; three years old and upward going a distance of three hundred and fifty (350) yards. One (1) Cal-Bred was entered.

WEDNESDAY

04/20/2016

(1) **ENTRY/SCRATCH DAY**

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Saturday April 23rd. Eight (8) races were drawn consisting of five (5) Quarter Horse and three (3) Thoroughbred events. Fifty two (52) horses are scheduled to go post ward.

Scratches and changes for Friday, April 22nd were conducted this morning in the racing office. A single 'blinkers on' notation was the only change made at the 9:00 A.M. deadline.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred opportunity for Saturday, April 23rd is for Two Year Old, maiden Quarter Horses going 350 yards for a claiming price of \$12,500. There were no entries.

THURSDAY

04/21/2016

(1) **ENTRY/SCRATCH DAY**

The racing department was open today accepting entries for Sunday, April 24. Eight (8) races were drawn. Three (3) Thoroughbred and five (5) Quarter Horse races are slated. Forty seven (47) horses are scheduled to start.

Scratches and changes for Saturday, April 23rd were conducted this morning in the racing office. Two (2) jockey changes were made with racing official Scott Craigmyle, who oversees the scratch board, in the racing office. Both changes were activated after the 9:00A.M. deadline.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Today's fourth race in the book is for California Bred Three Year Old Quarter Horses, claiming price \$10,000. going three hundred and thirty yards. No horses were entered.

FRIDAY

04/22/2016

(1) OFFICIAL CHANGE

Jockey's Room Custodian Jorge Cruz is off tonight due to illness. Jockey room colors attendant Ramiro Castillo is filling in.

(2) ALICIA HERNANDEZ HERNANDEZ RULING

Owner Alicia Hernandez failed to appear today at a formal hearing to answer to a charge of alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule No. 1652 (b&d)(Prohibited Actions with Respect to Claims). The following ruling was issued.

RULING # 89

OWNER ALICIA HERNANDEZ HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 22, 2016, TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE #16LA0109, ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE 1652 (b&d)(PROHIBITED ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO CLAIMS) IS HEREBY SUSPENDED PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF ALICIA HERNANDEZ ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE) SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

(1) JONATHAN ROMAN FILM REVIEW

Jockey Jonathan Roman appeared in the Stewards' office in order to review his ride in the seventh race on Sunday, April 17. Jockey Roman was aboard #6 Snow Hawkarunner who finished sixth (last) in this 300 yard Quarter Horse race. Twice in this race Roman used his riding crop four (4) consecutive times. Mr. Roman accepted responsibility for his actions. In a unanimous vote the following ruling was issued.

RULING # 90

JOCKEY JONATHAN ROMAN IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-FIRST OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 17, 2016.

(2) ADRIANA ACEVES COMPLAINT (CASE # 16LA0108)

ALICIA HERNANDEZ COMPLAINT (CASE # 16LA0109)

LUIS RAMIREZ COMPLAINT (CASE # 16LA0110)

A formal hearing was held in the Los Alamitos Steward's office today alleging that three (3) licensees violated CHRB Rule 1652(B&D)(Prohibited Actions with Respect to Claims). The three (3) separate complaints were combined as one (1) hearing. Steward Randy Winick chaired today's hearing. Michelle Derieg (Weinstein Court Reporters) CHRB Investigators Kevin Kitashima and Tom Blake presented the case. Paymaster of Purses Dawn Conklin also appeared as a witness at today's hearing. Bill Chavez from Los Alamitos security acted as an interpreter. Owner Alicia Hernandez failed to appear for today's hearing.

Prior to the third race on April 2, 2016 Los Alamitos Stewards voided two (2) claims for the horse 'Sheza Flight Risk' who was trained by Adriana Aceves. Two (2) fourteen (14) page investigative reports were marked as exhibits in the case's involving Trainer Aceves and Owner Hernandez. Testimony was taken from both respondents and Paymaster Conklin. Decisions on these three (3) cases will be forthcoming.

(3) WAGERING CHANGE

Tonight's fourth race was a four (4) furlong Thoroughbred race with six betting interests. Show wagering was cancelled and denoted as such in the program. Post time favorite #2 Kasune (Omar Santos) went on to win this race and returned \$4.20 to win.

(4) NO SHOW WAGERING

The declaration of #4 Reason Enough (Tr. Jaime Gomez) reduced tonight's nightcap (8th race) to a four (4) horse field. Subsequently show was cancelled. Even Money favorite #3 Tough Broad (Evlices Gomez) went on to win this 300 yard Quarter horse race in a running time of 15.45 seconds.

(5) SMOOTH CARD

Tonight's eight (8) race card went well as it was free of Steward's inquiries and/or jockey objections.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race - #7 Ya Heffa – (J. Nunez) Sick, Becky Fitzgerald DVM

Refund: \$552.00

3rd Race #3 Youth Movement – (S. Willoughby) Entered Back-Stewards

Refund: \$336.00

5th Race #1 Apollo's Legacy – (C. Treece) Sick, Becky Fitzgerald DVM

Refund: \$472.00

6th Race #6 Sweet Choice – (S. Willoughby) Injured, Becky Fitzgerald DVM

Refund: \$504.00

8th Race #4 Reason Enough – (J. Gomez) Injured, Becky Fitzgerald DVM

Refund: \$569.00

(7) HANDLE AND ATTENDANCE

On Track Attendance:	760	On Track Handle:	\$115,412.80
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,864</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$393,744.80
Total:	2,624	Out of State:	<u>\$612,601.08</u>
		Total:	\$1,121,758.68

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$364,857.5

SATURDAY

04/23/2016

(1) SALVADOR INIQUEZ FILM REVIEW

Jockey Salvador Iniquez appeared in the Steward's office in order to review his ride in the fourth race last night (Friday, April 22). Jockey Iniquez was aboard #3 'Warren's Passion' who finished sixth (last) in this four (4) furlong Thoroughbred event. Iniquez used his riding crop three (3) times while trailing the field turning for home. The Stewards' told Iniquez his crop use was needless. Jockey Iniquez agreed. Warning issued.

(2) ADRIAN ACEVES RULING (REF: 4/22/17(4))

The Stewards deliberated on the testimony and evidence that was presented in this hearing yesterday April 22, (Case No.16LA0108). During this hearing testimony indicated that trainer Aceves collaborated with two (2) of her own owners to claim a horse that she trained under another trainer's name. The Stewards prevented both claims from being activated by voiding each of them prior to the third race on April 2, 2016. When contacted by the Los Alamitos Paymaster of Purses prior to the race the trainer listed on both claim slips said he knew nothing about these attempted claims. In a unanimous decision the following ruling was issued.

RULING # 91

TRAINER ADRIANA ACEVES IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1652 (b&d)(PROHIBITED ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO CLAIMS) ON APRIL 2, 2016.

(3) LUIS RAMIREZ RULING (REF: 4/22/16(4))

The ruling below is the result of a hearing held here yesterday (April 22) at Los Alamitos (Case No. 16LA0110). Owner Luis Ramirez attempted to claim the horse 'Sheza Flight Risk' under the name of trainer Jesus Nunez. Trainer Nunez knew nothing about the attempted claim nor

wanted anything to do with it. As was the case in the previous minute entry, this claim was also voided. In an unanimous decision the following ruling was issued.

RULING # 92

OWNER LUIS RAMIREZ IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1652 (b&d)(PROHIBITED ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO CLAIMS) ON APRIL 2, 2016.

(4) ANGELA AQUINO HEARING (CASE# 16LA103)

Trainer Angela Aquino appeared in the Stewards' office for an informal hearing today. Ms. Aquino has been charged with alleged violation of CHRB Rule #1843 (Medication, Drugs and other Substances), Rule 1843.1 (Prohibited Drug Substances), Rule 1844 (Authorized Medication) and Rule 1887 (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse). CHRB Investigator Kevin Kitashima and Tom Blake were present to introduce their thirty three (33) page complaint packet.

U.C. Davis (Maddy Laboratories) reported that the Thoroughbred 'Howdoyoulikethat', who had a blood sample taken following the 3rd race on March 18, 2016 at Los Alamitos, was found to contain Methylprednisolone. The concentration (280pg/ml) exceeds the authorized medication limit of 100 picograms per milliliter. Trainer Aquino accepted full responsibility for not giving this four (4) year old filly enough time between treatments and race entry. In a unanimous decision the Stewards issued the following ruling.

RULING # 93

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (A)(TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) TRAINER ANGELA AQUINO, WHO STARTED THE HORSE HOWDOYOULIKETHAT WHO FINISHED THIRD IN THE THIRD RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE TRACK ON MARCH 18, 2016 IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS(\$500)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843(A), AND (D)(MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES) #1843.1(B)(PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), #1844(F)(10) AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-METHYLPREDNISOLONE (280 PG/ML) IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVELS).

(5) MARCIAL RAMIREZ FILM REVIEW

Jockey Marcial Ramirez appeared in the Stewards office in order to review his ride aboard #3 Rodeotime who finished first in last night's (April 22) fifth race. Jockey Ramirez used his riding crop four (4) consecutive times without giving his horse a chance to respond. In a unanimous decision the Stewards' issued the following ruling.

RULING # 94

JOCKEY MARCIAL RAMIREZ IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-SECOND OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 22, 2016.

(6) ACCIDENT AFTER WIRE

About twenty five (25) yards after the finish line #1 'Bank Robber' fell and unseated Jockey Gary Boag. 'Bank Robber' rose to his feet after lying prone on the track for about one (1) minute. He did not show any visible injuries and was transported back to the stable area. Official Veterinarian Gary Beck placed this horse on his veterinarian's list (Exhaustion). Safety Steward David Nuesch was at the accident scene and will attach an accident report to these minutes. Jockey Gary Boag was excused from his lone remaining mount of the evening after mentioning some discomfort in his shoulder.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

2nd Race -#8 Jusfired – (J.A. Moreno) Sick, Gary Beck DVM
Refund: \$315.00

3rd Race - #1 Separate Prize – (J. Gomez) Entered Back-Stewards
Refund: \$300.00

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	881	On Track Handle:	\$105,940.30
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,044</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$263,805.10
Total:	2,925	Out of State:	<u>\$654,023.85</u>
		Total:	\$1,023,769.25

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$354,192.65

SUNDAY

04/24/2016

(1) SANTOS PEREZ INTERVIEW (REF: 4/23/16(6))

Trainer Santos Perez appeared in the Stewards' office as requested to discuss happenings in last nights (April 23) fifth race. The Santos trained #1 'Bank Robber' (Gary Boag) fell about twenty (20) yards after the finish and was placed on the Veterinarian's List by CHRB Veterinarian Gary Beck for exhaustion. The Stewards asked Mr. Perez several questions about his trainee and he was very candid with his answers. The Stewards' were obviously concerned about this horse pre-race conditioning. The Stewards' asked some of the following questions of trainer Perez. Safety Steward David Nuesch was also present.

- A. How did you obtain this horse?
- B. What were the reasons for two (2) separate long layoffs?
- C. What type of training took place between workouts?
- D. Where has this horse been stabled?
- E. What are your future plans with this horse?

The Stewards will discuss things that this office can do to monitor the proper conditioning and pre race conditioning of race horses.

(2) JERRY RASKEY RULING (REF: 4/17/16(2))

The following ruling was issued following a formal hearing that was held here at Los Alamitos on Sunday, April 17, 2016. Jerry Raskey's Sister Melissa Raskey, is a lawyer and was informed via telephone of the decision. Steward Dreyer dissented voting for a dismissal.

RULING # 95

FOLLOWING A HEARING HELD AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 17, 2016, IT IS ORDERED THAT OWNER JERRY RASKEY PAY TRAINER SALLY RIVERA THE FULL AMOUNT OF \$4,500. BY MAY 24, 2016. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION OF ALL LICENSES HELD BY JERRY RASKEY.

(3) VOIDED CLAIM

In tonight's first race #2 'Shes' a Given' (Tr. Santos Perez) was claimed for \$2,500 following a sixth (last) place finish. This horse was claimed by Trainer Jesus Nunez however following examination official Veterinarian Gary Beck put the horse on his Veterinarian's List as unsound. The claim was voided and this mare will return to the barn of Santos Perez.

(4) NO SHOW WAGERING

There were two (2) late scratches in tonight's fourth race which reduced the field down to four (4) betting interests. Show wagering was ordered cancelled. #3 'Tricky Liz' (Cassidy Clerisse) went on to win this race at the post time odds Three to One (3/1).

(5) EIGHT RACE WAGERING POOLS

Los Alamitos management carded tonight's eight race with No Place or Show wagering offered. This afternoon there was the late scratch of #3 'No Real Secret' (Minor Arana) which reduced this race from five (5) to four (4) participants. Post time favorite #5 'Flying Porsche Girl' (Cruz Mendez) went on to win this 300 yard Quarter Horse race at the odds of four to Five (4/5).

(6) SMOOTH CARD

Tonight's eight (8) race card went well as it was free of Steward's inquiries and/or jockey objections.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 4th Race - # 1 Aerial Artist (J. Moreno) Sick, Dr. Becky Fitzgerald, DVM
 # 6 Tough Ray (E. January) Unsound, Dr. Becky Fitzgerald, DVM
 Refund: \$394.00
- 5th Race - # 2 Whispering Corona (J. Nunez) Sick, Dr. Becky Fitzgerald, DVM
 Refund: \$213.00
- 6th Race - # 1 Tall Dark Dasher (S. Rivera) Injured, Dr. Becky Fitzgerald, DVM
 Refund: \$112.00
- 7th Race - # 3 Pie Eye (S. Rivera) Sick, Dr. Becky Fitzgerald, DVM
 Refund: \$114.00
- 8th Race - # 3 No Real Secret (A. Soto) Injured, Dr. Becky Fitzgerald, DVM
 Refund: \$191.00

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	707	On Track Handle:	\$75,837.60
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,863</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$175,674.30
Total:	2,570	Out of State:	<u>\$544,642.15</u>
		Total:	\$796,154.05

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$327,157.10

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>
04/22/16	1	7	<u>Ya Heffa</u>	J. Nunez	Sick	Fitzgerald	\$552
04/22/16	3	3	<u>Youth Movement</u>	S. Willoughby	Entered Back-Stewards		\$336
04/22/16	5	1	<u>Apollo's Legacy</u>	C. Treece	Sick	Fitzgerald	\$472
04/22/16	6	6	<u>Sweet Choice</u>	S. Willoughby	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$504
04/22/16	8	4	<u>Reason Enough</u>	J. Gomez	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$569
04/23/16	2	8	<u>Jusfired</u>	J.A. Moreno	Sick	Beck	\$315
04/23/16	3	1	<u>Separate Prize</u>	J. Gomez	Entered Back-Stewards		\$300
04/24/16	4	1	<u>Aerial Artist</u>	J. Moreno	Sick	Fitzgerald	
04/24/16	4	6	<u>Tough Ray</u>	E. January	Unsound	Fitzgerald	\$394
04/24/16	5	2	<u>Whispering Corona</u>	J. Nunez	Sick	Fitzgerald	\$213
04/24/16	6	1	<u>Tall Dark Dasher</u>	S. Rivera	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$112
04/24/16	7	3	<u>Pie Eye</u>	S. Rivera	Sick	Fitzgerald	\$114
04/24/16	8	3	<u>No Real Secret</u>	A. Soto	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$191

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on April 24, 2016.

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

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

List as follows: four for soundness, four for injury, six for sickness, zero for medication, zero for bleeding, zero for shock wave therapy, zero for Coggins Test and one for exhaustion.

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

This report was submitted by Steward Grant Baker.

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
SUMMARY
2016

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 04/22	SAT 04/23	SUN 04/24	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	1	0	1	12
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	1
CLAIMS			R		4	0	1	5	171
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	7
INQUIRIES	D				0	0	0	0	22
REFUNDS		A			5	2	6	13	127
RULINGS			Y		2	4	1	7	95
VOIDED CLAIMS					0	0	1	1	13

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards Grant Baker, James Dreyer, Randy Winick, and Safety Steward David Nuesch were in attendance during this reporting period.

Grant Baker (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)

Randy Winick (Steward)

David Nuesch (Steward)

