

**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 26, 2016 through May 1, 2016.

**TUESDAY**

04/26/2016

- (1) DUTY STEWARD  
James Dreyer will monitor entries and morning duties and will record the minutes during this reporting period.
- (2) CAL- BRED REPORT  
The third race in the book; maiden three year olds for \$5,000 was off with two. 0 Cal-Breds.
- (3) THE DRAW  
Another card successfully filled. Two thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races will make up the program.

**WEDNESDAY**

04/27/2016

- (1) SCRATCHES  
Scratch time passed with no changes or declarations on Friday's program.
- (2) CAL-BRED REPORT  
Sub 1 in the book, maiden two year olds for a \$10,000 tag, was called off with two. 0 Cal-Breds.
- (3) THE DRAW  
A 3:30 draw resulted in three Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races.

**THURSDAY**

04/28/2016

- (1) SCRATCHES  
One equipment and three rider switches completed Saturday's program changes.
- (2) CAL-BRED REPORT  
Anticipating a full card of futurity trials no Cal-Bred race was offered for Sunday.
- (3) THE DRAW  
As anticipated, Sundays entire program will be comprised of the Robert Adair Kindergarten Futurity Trials – eleven.

**FRIDAY**  
04/29/2016

- (1) SCRATCHES  
Scratch time for Sunday's races resulted in one rider change.
- (2) RULING #96 & #97

RULING # 96

TRAINER GERARDO AMEZCUA, WHO STARTED THE HORSES "TRULY CENSORED" IN THE FOURTH RACE ON NOVEMBER 15, 2015, "BALBOA DASHER" IN THE FIFTH RACE ON NOVEMBER 29, 2015 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE, IS FINED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00)\* AND SUSPENDED ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) DAYS (MAY 2, 2016 TO AUGUST 29, 2016 INCLUSIVE) PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) AND RULE #1859.5 (DISQUALIFICATION UPON POSITIVE TEST) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A, B, & D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES – CLENBUTEROL – CLASS III), #1843.1 (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), #1844 (E)(6) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION) AND #1902 (CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO HORSE RACING).

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

RULING # 97

OWNER RICARDO SEPULVEDA, WHOSE HORSE "TRULY CENSORED" RAN IN THE FOURTH RACE ON NOVEMBER 15, 2015, IS FINED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00)\* AND SUSPENDED SIXTY (60) DAYS (MAY 2, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2016 INCLUSIVE) PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) AND RULE #1859.5 (DISQUALIFICATION UPON POSITIVE TEST) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A, B, & D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES – CLENBUTEROL – CLASS III), #1843.1 (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), #1844 (E)(6) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION) AND #1902 (CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO HORSE RACING).

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

Acting on an order of remand from the California Horse Racing Board the above rulings were issued. Trainer Gerardo Amezcua's penalty was accepted as submitted. Owner Sepulveda's penalty was reduced from the suggested suspension of one-hundred and fifty days to sixty days while the recommended fine of \$10,000 remained unchanged.

- (1) TRAINER SALLY RIVERA NOTIFIED  
Trainer Sally Rivera was contacted this afternoon and advised of Ruling #95 in which owner Jerry Raskey was ordered to reimburse her the amount of \$4500. She was told she has 72 hours to appeal that decision.
- (2) CASE # 16LA0111 & 16LA0112  
An informal hearing was convened today to address the above cases. Trainer Aceves was in attendance while Lopez responded telephonically. Lopez accepted full responsibility for the incident. He admitted injecting the horse with Flumethasone the day before he was in to race. Adriana falls in the category of program trainer. The horse shipped in the day before it was in. Unfortunately as the trainer she is still culpable. Decision to follow.
- (3) RULINGS #98 #99 AND #100

RULING # 98

JOCKEY JESUS AYALA 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 SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 24, 2016.

RULING # 99

JOCKEY GARY BOAG 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 24, 2016.

RULING # 100

JOCKEY BRANDON CHANCE BOULANGER 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 FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 23, 2016.

The foregoing rulings were issued after the above riders were in violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1688 (b)(6)

(4) ALL CLEAR

Friday evening's eight race program was conducted with nothing of significance to note.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race - #3 Parker's Dreamgirl – (S. Perez) Entered Back, Stewards  
Refund: \$641.00
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #2 Crusador – (J. Flores) – Flipped in Paddock, Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund: \$1419.00
- #7 Zee Oh Six – (L. Diaz) – Injured, Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund: \$600.00
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race #2 A Mere Performance – (V. Zamudio) Flipped in Paddock, Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund: \$2759.00

(8) HANDLE AND ATTENDANCE

On Track Attendance:	759	On Track Handle:	\$126,081.60
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,828</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$382,880.40
Total:	2,587	Out of State:	<u>\$628,460.59</u>
		Total:	\$1,137,422.59

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$364,250.29

**SATURDAY**  
04/30/2016

(1) WORKOUT CHANGES

As the result of an incident on Saturday evening, Refer (4/23/16 #6 and 4/24/16 #1) the Stewards met with interim Racing Secretary Jay Conklin to discuss his workout requirements. The outcome of the meeting was that Jay is going to come more in line with the other Thoroughbred tracks in California having admitted the Los Alamitos standards were rather lax.

(2) RULINGS #101 & #102

RULING # 101

TRAINER ADRIANA ACEVES, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "RIGGOTOMAS" WINNER OF THE EIGHTH RACE ON MARCH 20, 2016 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE, IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A, B & D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES) AND #1843.1 (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES - FLUMETHAZONE-1.1NG/ML –CLASS 4)

RULING # 102

OWNER ADOLFO LOPEZ, WHOSE HORSE RIGGOTOMAS FINISHED FIRST IN THE EIGHTH RACE ON MARCH 20, 2016 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE, IS FINED SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A, B & D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES) AND #1843.1 (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES - FLUMETHAZONE-1.1NG/ML –CLASS 4)

After due deliberation the foregoing rulings were issued, Refer (4/29/13 #4)

(3) RULINGS #103 & #104

RULING # 103

JOCKEY EDUARDO NICASIO 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 24, 2016.

RULING # 104

JOCKEY ROBERTO HERNANDEZ 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 EIGHTTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 29, 2016.

The above rulings were issued after the above riders were observed to be in violation of Rule #1688 (b)(6).

(4) NO PROBLEMS

Saturday evening's entire eight race program went quite smoothly.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race -#3 Eagle Appeals – (P. Jones) Injured, Dr. Beck  
Refund: \$779.00

3<sup>rd</sup> Race -#2 Polished Silver – (E. January) Sick, Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund: \$151.00

4<sup>th</sup> Race -#1 Fast Tracking – (J. Wallace) Unsound, Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund: \$1807.00

#4 Conundrum Pass – (E. January) Injured, Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund: \$7200.00

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	958	On Track Handle:	\$116,260.90
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,130</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$277,521.10
Total:	3,088	Out of State:	<u>\$677,620.13</u>
		Total:	\$1,071,402.13

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$407,808.86

SUNDAY

05/01/2016

(1) RULINGS #105, #106, #107

RULING # 105

JOCKEY MARTIN ARRIAGA 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 THIRD RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 23, 2016.

RULING # 106

JOCKEY G. JAIRO RANGEL 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 THIRD RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 24, 2016.

RULING # 107

JOCKEY ROBERTO HERNANDEZ 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 SECOND RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 30, 2016.

The foregoing rulings were issued after the named riders violated California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1688(b)(6)

(2) INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

Following the third race the Stewards posted the inquiry to review the start. Although there was considerable contact the Stewards felt that everyone involved in the incident contributed to the confusion. In a majority vote, Steward Baker dissented, the Stewards elected to make no change.

(3) INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION.

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the seventh race to review an incident nearing the finish. #8 Financial Top (5<sup>th</sup> C. Mendez) was getting out badly and crossed in front of #9 Southern 36 (8<sup>th</sup> G. Suarez). After examining the film the Stewards in a majority vote, Steward Dreyer dissenting, disqualified Financial Top.

Original Order 4-7-2-6-~~8~~-3-1-9-5

Official Order 4-7-2-6-3-1-9-~~8~~-5

(4) NUESCH SUBS

Safety steward David Nuesch was in the Stewards stand Friday, Saturday and Sunday replacing an ailing Randy Winick. Ruben Moreno filled David's shoes as Safety Steward.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 1 Spangled (G. Morales) Flipped in Paddock, Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund: \$864.00

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Favorite Quick Chick (G. Flores) Flipped in Gate, Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund: \$8183.00

9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 8 Hopes And Dreams (J. Gomez) Injured, Dr. Beck

Refund: \$398.00

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	943	On Track Handle:	\$152,385.50
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,993</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$279,021.20
Total:	2,936	Out of State:	<u>\$989,594.81</u>
		Total:	\$1,421,001.51

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$605,482.36

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>
4/29/16	1	3	<u>Parker's Dreamgirl</u>	S. Perez	Entered Back	Fitzgerald	\$641
4/29/16	3	2	<u>Crusador</u>	J. Flores	Flipped in Paddock	Fitzgerald	\$1419
4/29/16	3	7	<u>Zee Oh Six</u>	L. Diaz	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$600
4/29/16	7	2	<u>A Mere Performance</u>	V. Zamudio)	Flipped in Paddock	Fitzgerald	\$2759
4/30/16	2	3	<u>Eagle Appeals</u>	P. Jones	Injured	Beck	\$779
4/30/16	3	2	<u>Polished Silver</u>	E. January	Sick	Fitzgerald	\$151
4/30/16	4	1	<u>Fast Tracking</u>	J. Wallace	Unsound	Fitzgerald	\$1807

4/30/16	4	4	<u>Conundrum Pass</u>	E. January	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$7200
5/01/16	2	1	<u>Spangled</u>	G. Morales	Flipped in Paddock	Fitzgerald	\$864
5/01/16	4	2	<u>Favorite Quick Chick</u>	G. Flores	Flipped in Gate	Fitzgerald	\$8183
5/01/16	9	8	<u>Hopes and Dreams</u>	J. Gomez	Injured	Beck	\$398

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on May 1, 2016. One equine death was reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period thirteen horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: two for soundness, seven for injury, one for sickness, zero for medication, zero for bleeding, one for shock wave therapy, Coggins two. Eight horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Dreyer.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

**SUMMARY 2016**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 04/29	SAT 04/30	SUN 05/01	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	12
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	1
CLAIMS			R		3	1	0	4	175
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	1	1	8
INQUIRIES	D				0	0	2	2	24
REFUNDS		A			4	4	3	11	138
RULINGS			Y		5	4	3	12	107
VOIDED CLAIMS					0	0	0	0	13

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

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James Dreyer (Steward)

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David Nuesch (Steward)

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Grant Baker (Steward)

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Ruben Moreno (Steward)