

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION****TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of May 24, 2016 through May 29, 2016.

**TUESDAY**

05/24/2016

**(1) DUTY STEWARD**

Randy Winick will handle all office matters and record the minutes of the week.

**(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW**

The draw for Friday's program was conducted at 2:30 p.m., resulting in a card composed of three Quarter horse, three Thoroughbred and two Quarter horse and Thoroughbred mixed races, for the eight race evening.

**(3) CAL- BRED REPORT**

Today's Cal-Bred offering, maiden three year olds for a claiming price of \$6,250 at a distance of 330 yards was called off with one entry.

**WEDNESDAY**

05/25/2016

**(1) SCRATCH TIME**

The regular 9:00 a.m. scratch time resulted in two rider adjustments.

**(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW**

The draw for Saturday's program commenced at 1:30 p.m. and the resulting card will be composed of four Quarter horse races, three Thoroughbred races and one Quarter horse and Thoroughbred mixed race, for the eight race evening.

**(3) CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred seventh race in the book for Saturday, three and up for maiden claiming \$10,000 at a distance of 330 yards, failed to fill with only two entries.

**THURSDAY**

05/26/2016

**(1) SCRATCH TIME**

Scratches and changes were called for at the usual 9:00 a.m. deadline resulting in one jockey change and one equipment adjustment.

**(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW**

Sunday's entries were completed by 2:30 p.m. and the result will be a program constructed of five Quarter horse and four Thoroughbred contests.

**(3) CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred offering for Sunday, for maidens three years old, claiming price \$16,000, at three hundred and thirty yards was called off with only one entry.

**FRIDAY**  
05/27/2016

(1) SCRATCH TIME

At the scheduled 9:00 a.m. scratch deadline, there were no changes made.

(2) RACING PROGRAM

Tonight's racing was conducted without a reportable incident.

(3) VOIDED CLAIM

In the second race tonight #4 "Oinkus" was claimed by Charles Treece for \$2,500, the official Veterinarian informed the Stewards that he returned to the test barn unsound and requested that the claim should be voided. The Stewards required "Oinkus" to be returned to the original trainer Felix Gonzalez.

(4) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1<sup>st</sup> Race -#4 Jase's Aunty Aimee – (V. Aguayo) Jockey C. Clerisse replaced B. Boulanger, Stewards

2<sup>nd</sup> Race -#4 Oinkus – (C. Treece) Claim voided/unsound, Dr. Beck

5<sup>th</sup> Race -#3 Cindari – (R. DeLeon) Claimed

7<sup>th</sup> Race -#1 One More Chance – (J. Flores) Jockey G. J Rangel replaced G. Suarez weight Issues, Stewards

8<sup>th</sup> Race -#2 Trust Me – (J. Nunez) injured, Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund: \$160.80

(9) HANDLE AND ATTENDANCE

On Track Attendance:	652	On Track Handle:	\$ 98,070.10
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,906</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$361,301.80
Total:	2,558	Out of State:	<u>\$780,288.02</u>
		Total:	\$1,239,659.92

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$400,139.71

**SATURDAY**  
05/28/2016

(1) RASKEY—RULING #138

**RULING # 138**

OWNER JERRY RASKEY, HAVING FAILED TO COMPLY WITH RULING #95, ISSUED AT LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION ON APRIL 24, 2016, IS SUSPENDED FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1876(FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY).

The above ruling reflects non compliance by owner Jerry Raskey to an order to pay the amount of \$4,500 to trainer Sally Rivera for services rendered as his trainer. This order was memorialized in Los Alamitos Ruling #95, issued on April 24, 2016.

(2) SUAREZ—RULING #139

**RULING # 139**

JOCKEY GUILLERMO SUAREZ, WHO WAS SCHEDULED TO RIDE IN THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION ON MAY 27, 2016, IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT).

The above ruling is issued to jockey Guillermo Suarez for failing to fulfill his riding engagement in the seventh race at Los Alamitos Race Course on Friday, May 27, 2016. Mr. Suarez offered only that he couldn't make weight.

(3) SECURITY VIOLATION

Two employees of trainer Jose Flores were in to see the Stewards regarding an altercation between them in the stable area. Security Chief Alex Soltero and Assistant Chief Keith Hicks were in to provide an explanation of the charges and managements view of backside violence. Mr. Soltero also provided Spanish language questions to the two licensees, groom Carlos Orantes, the aggressor and his victim, groom Humberto Perez. Trainer Jose Flores was also present to provide his interpretation to his grooms and offer a plea of sorts to help them out, as he likes and needed them back to continue working for him. There is a dearth of good stable help at Los Alamitos.

The subject of the incident revolves around the two grooms arguing about some mundane issue and letting it escalate way beyond a simple argument. Mr. Carlos Orantes struck Mr. Perez with a stick and injured his right hand, ring and pinky finger, which was dislocated and very swollen.

After much discussion and back and forth with all parties, the Stewards along with security strongly informed the two gentlemen of the seriousness of fighting and an assault of this measure. It should be noted that Mr. Flores bent over backwards to help and vouch for these two gentlemen and offered to keep them both employed and be responsible to a point for their behavior going forward.

The Stewards will deliberate on this serious matter and give a decision in the near future.

(4) RACING PROGRAM

Tonight's racing was clean and well run with only one incident in the seventh race, where #2 "Trixsey Sue" was a late scratch for flipping in the gate and getting loose. This resulted in some scrapes and cuts but was otherwise ok and was returned to its stable post race. Starter Gary Brinson was injured slightly but was able to continue in his capacity as starter for the remainder of the evening.

(5) VOIDED CLAIMS

There was one voided claim tonight in the first race. #6 "Catch Gonzo" was claimed by trainer Ricardo Guillen from trainer Jesus Nunez for \$5,000, finishing 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was later learned that the official Veterinarian declared "Catch Gonzo" unsound with a fractured left knee and put him on the vets list, therefore voiding the claim. The horse was then equine ambulance returned to trainer Jesus Nunez's barn.

(6) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1<sup>st</sup> Race -#6 Catch Gonzo – (R. Guillen) claim voided/unsound, Dr. Beck

2<sup>nd</sup> Race -#2 Four Socks Beaming – (J. Nunez) claimed

3<sup>rd</sup> Race -#5 Cut To Run – (Y. Rodriguez) entered back, Stewards

Refund: \$164.00

#6 Unstoppablesteve – (J. Crotts) claimed

#8 Dance The Waltz – (J. Nunez) claimed

4<sup>th</sup> Race -#7 Aerial Artist – (J. Jimenez) claimed

6<sup>th</sup> Race -#3 South West Red – (Y. Rodriguez) Flipped in paddock, Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund: \$2,023.00

7<sup>th</sup> Race -#2 Trixsey Sue – (C. Treece) Injured in the starting gate, Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund: \$8,609.00

8<sup>th</sup> Race -#5 Tempting Diva – (J. Cooper) Injured, Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund: \$832.00

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	907	On Track Handle:	\$ 118,532.30
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,877</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$ 379,375.90
Total:	2,784	Out of State:	<u>\$ 708,174.44</u>
		Total:	\$1,206,082.64

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$392,657.10

**SUNDAY**

05/29/2016

(1) ORANTES—RULING #140

The following ruling is in reference to item (3) 05/28/2016 in yesterdays minutes, concerning a security violation involving fighting with two of trainer Jose Flores' grooms.

**RULING # 140**

GROOM CARLOS ORANTES IS FINED FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400)\*, FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1874(DISORDERLY CONDUCT—ASSAULT), ON MAY 27, 2016. CARLOS ORANTES IS PLACED ON PROBATION FOR THE TERM OF HIS LICENSE (12-31-2016).

(1) WHIP VIOLATIONS—RULINGS #141 AND #142

Jockeys Roberto Hernandez (7<sup>th</sup>) race and Rodolfo Arvizu (5<sup>th</sup>) race were given the following rulings for over use of the riding crop. Mr. Hernandez used four strikes and Mr. Arvizu was guilty of several more than that. It will be Hernandez's third and Arvizu's first violation in the previous sixty (60) days.

**RULING # 141**

JOCKEY ROBERTO HERNANDEZ IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* 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-THIRD OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 29, 2016.

**RULING # 142**

JOCKEY RODOLFO ARVIZU 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 IN A SIXTY (60) DAY PERIOD), DURING THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 29, 2016.

(2) RIVERA—RULING #143

Trainer Sally Rivera was in to answer for her horse being late to the receiving barn for the first race on Saturday evening. Mrs. Rivera had no excuse to offer other than her groom failed to respond to her urging of being on time by leaving early for the first race. The following ruling was issued.

**RULING # 143**

TRAINER SALLY RIVERA IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1852 (REPORTING TO RECEIVING BARN).

(3) VOIDED CLAIM—SECOND (2<sup>ND</sup>) RACE

In tonight's second race, a claim for the winner, "Swiss Peak", \$3,200, made by trainer Francis Meza, was voided upon advice of official Veterinarian Dr. Beck, for being unsound in her right foreleg. Swiss Peak was therefore returned to original trainer Angela Aquino's stable per CHRB Rule #1658(b2).

(4) RACING PROGRAM

Tonight's racing was conducted without incident or injury to man nor horse, aside from the action taken in the precious entry to void a claimed horse.

(5) Declarations, changes and refunds

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 2 Swiss Peak—(F. Meza) claimed
- # 4 Grey Girl Gone—(F. Meza) claimed
- # 7 Royally Dunn (K. Castaneda) Injured, Dr. Fitzgerald
- Refund: \$109.70
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 4 Brookstone K (S. Perez) injured, Dr. Fitzgerald
- Refund: \$213.66
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Flyer First Class (D. Ekins) Injured, Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund: \$889.19

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	803	On Track Handle:	\$109,741.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,783</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$349,199.00
Total:	2,586	Out of State:	<u>\$881,373.82</u>
		Total:	\$1,340,314.02

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$514,672.56

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>
05/27/16	2	4	Oinkus	Treece	Unsound	Beck	
05/27/16	8	2	Trust Me	Nunez	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$160.80
05/28/16	1	6	Catch Gonzo	Guillen	Unsound	Beck	
05/28/16	6	3	South West Red	Y Rodriguez	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$2,023.00
05/28/16	7	2	Trixsey Sue	Treece	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$8,609.00
05/28/16	8	5	Tempting Diva	Cooper	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$832.00
05/29/16	2	7	Royally Dunn	Castaneda	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$109.70
05/29/16	4	4	Brookstone K	Perez	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$213.66
05/29/16	8	6	Flyer First Class	Ekins	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$889.19

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on May 29, 2016. Zero 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: four for soundness, five for injury, one for sickness, zero for medication, zero for bleeding, zero for shock wave therapy. Three horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Winick.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

**SUMMARY 2016**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 05/27	SAT 05/28	SUN 05/29	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	13
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	1
CLAIMS			R		2	5	2	9	219
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	8
INQUIRIES	D				0	0	0	0	28
REFUNDS		A			1	4	3	8	180
RULINGS			Y		0	2	3	5	147
VOIDED CLAIMS					1	1	1	3	26

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

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Randy Winick (Steward)

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Tom Ward (Steward)

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James Dreyer (Steward)

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David Nuesch (Steward)