

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 November 8, 2016 through November 13, 2016.

TUESDAY

11/8/2016

- (1) **STEWARD ON DUTY**
Randy Winick will attend to scratches, entries and record the minutes of this weeks activities at Los Alamitos Race Course.
- (2) **ENTRIES AND DRAW**
Eight races for Friday evenings card were drawn at 1:00 p.m., resulting in a program assembled equally of four Quarter Horse and four Thoroughbred contests.
- (3) **CAL- BRED REPORT**
The first race in the condition book for California Bred two year old maidens, claiming price \$12,500 at 300 yards, was called off with only two entries.

WEDNESDAY

11/9/2016

- (1) **SCRATCHES**
There were no scratches or changes requested at the 9:00 A.M. deadline this morning.
- (2) **ENTRIES AND DRAW**
The races for Saturday night were drawn and completed by 1:15 p.m., with a program divided between four Quarter Horse, four Thoroughbred and one Quarter Horse Thoroughbred mixed race at 870 yards.
- (3) **CAL-BRED REPORT**
The Cal-Bred offering for Saturday, thee year old maidens for a claiming price of \$10,000 at a distance of 300 yards, failed to attract a single entry and was therefore called off.

THURSDAY

11/10/2016

- (1) **DENTAL EMERGENCY**
Steward James Dreyer will sit in for Randy Winick this A.M., as Mr. Winick had a dental emergency.
- (2) **SCRATCHES AND CHANGES**
Scratch time for Saturday's races resulted in two rider changes.

(3) ENTRIES AND DRAW

The spotlight Sunday evening will be on the Z Wayne Griffin Directors Trials, which are the qualifying races for the open berths in the Los Alamitos Champion of Champions later this meeting. The remaining seven races will consist of four Quarter Horse, Two Quarter Horse Thoroughbred mixed races, and one straight Thoroughbred race.

(4) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race in the book, maidens three years old and up, was used open, one being Cal Bred.

FRIDAY

11/11/2016

(1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES

The only requested changes at the 9:00 a.m. scratch time was one rider adjustment in the fourth race.

(2) SECURITY VIOLATIONS

Two licensees were in this evening to address separate instances of being intoxicated. The first gentleman was exercise rider Gregorio Lopez who was seen driving his car and then parking it on the backside near Barn D. Security observed Mr. Lopez under the influence, to which he agreed. Gregorio promised to not let this happen again. Security said that this was the first time he has been a problem. The following ruling was issued to Mr. Lopez for this indiscretion.

RULING # 307

EXECISE RIDER GREGORIO G. LOPEZ IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1874 (DISORDERLY CONDUCT – UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL).

The second gentleman was Groom Lester Cortez, who had been in previously for a similar offense in June and was fined \$200.00. This instance found Mr. Cortez being aggressive and physical with the security team, as he attempted to strike one of the officers. After much deliberation with all parties involved, the stewards determined that the best course of action was to require this gentleman to avail himself of the services of the "Winners Foundation", to help him with his alcohol problem. Security reported that Mr. Cortez has had numerous alcohol related incidents in his past history. A ruling will come out later, possibly Sunday, reflecting a decision on this matter. We will await an assessment from "Winners".

(3) GOOD RACING

The racing program for Friday evening was conducted without incident or problem of any reportable kind.

(4) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race -#6 Snowmass Village – Tr. J. Avalos – Veterinarian – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund: \$97.46

#7 Kitchen – Tr. J. Clark – Veterinarian – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund: \$243.64

3rd Race - #2 Black Ice In Dixies – Tr. J. Nunez – Veterinarian – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund: \$100.10

4th Race -#4 Hes A Two Stepper – Tr. C. Treece – Claimed

6th Race -#3 Honey Baddger – Tr. H. Loma – Claimed

7th Race - #5 Gravity Rumors – Tr. D. Givens – Stewards – Not On The Grounds

Refund: \$454.05

(6) HANDLE AND ATTENDANCE

On Track Attendance:	735	On Track Handle:	\$70,763.10
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,041</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$208,146.70
Total:	2,776	Out of State:	<u>\$523,935.51</u>
		Total:	\$802,845.31

SATURDAY

11/12/2016

(1) GIVENS RULING

The following ruling is being issued against Trainer Dennis Givens for necessitating a late

declaration in seventh race on Friday, November 11, 2016. The reason for the late scratch is because his horse was not on the grounds of Los Alamitos for the required 24 hours prior to racing. This horse was stabled at a private ranch, not an official recognized CHRB Training or racing facility. Mr. Givens said the horse transport, which was by the owner, broke down or had mechanical problems.

RULING # 309

TRAINER DENNIS GIVENS IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629(b)(2) (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION – HORSE NOT ON GROUNDS OF ASSOCIATION WITHIN TWENTY FOUR HOURS OF RACE TIME).

(2) **AYALA RULING**

The following ruling reflects the improper use of the crop by Jockey Jesus Ayala during the pre-race post parade warm up period. The Jockey came in and admitted to his transgression and apologized. Jesus said he wouldn't do it again going forward.

RULING # 310

JOCKEY JESUS AYALA IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(2) (USE OF RIDING CROP-STRIKING HORSE DURING WARM UP PERIOD) PRIOR TO THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 11, 2016.

(3) **SMOOTH SAILING**

Saturday evening's racing was conducted without any significant issues or problems.

(4) **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1st Race -#8 Great Bambino – (Tr. M. Valenzuela) – Veterinarian – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund: \$308.80
- 2nd Race -#4 Missy Marini – (Tr. A. Aquino) – Claimed
#5 Cheese – (Tr. R. Gomez) – veterinarian – no blood work – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund: \$263.90
- 3rd Race - #6 Designed Fashion – (Tr C. Treece) – Claimed
- 4th Race - #4 Moonlight meeting – (Tr C. Treece) – Veterinarian – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund: \$14,966.86
#5 Voluntary – (Tr D. Givens) – Veterinarian – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund: \$500.00
- 6th Race - #5 Aidan's Hope – (Tr. A. Soto) –Veterinarian, Injured, Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund: \$880.76
- 7th Race - #6 Reina De Colima – (Tr. J. Moreno) Claimed

(5) **HANDLE AND ATTENDANCE**

On Track Attendance:	972	On Track Handle:	\$108,886.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,026</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$326,766.30
Total:	2,998	Out of State:	<u>\$645,786.62</u>
		Total:	\$1,081,438.92

SUNDAY

11/13/2016 (1) **LATE CHANGE**

In a last minute change, David Nuesch was put upstairs to fill-in for Randy Winick, who had to go to Florida, for a family emergency. Ron Church was called in to fulfill the safety Steward role.

(2) **CROP SUSPENSION**

The following ruling was issued after Jockey Martin Arriaga violated the crop rule once again. The stewards felt that a suspension was in order, based on Mr. Arriaga's long history of crop violation fines.

RULING # 311

JOCKEY MARTIN ARRIAGA IS SUSPENDED FOR THREE RACING DAYS (NOVEMBER 20, 25, AND 26, 2016) 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-FOURTH OFFENSE WITHIN THE PAST SIXTY DAYS), DURING THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 12, 2016.

(3) OBJECTION

At the conclusion of the 2nd race, the stewards received word that jockey Minor Arana wished to claim foul against winning jockey Christian Aragon. After further review, the stewards did not see any reason for a change, so the claim of foul was disallowed.

(4) STEWARDS REVIEW

At the start of the 3rd race, #4 Cinco De Mario stumbled dramatically, nearly unseating his jockey. The stewards conducted a review, to determine the cause of the stumble.

(5) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

3rd Race - #2 Anythingtogeteven – Vet – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald

Refund:\$ 157.40

5th Race - #2 Eddie Could Go – Claimed (Tr. C. Treece)

#3 Mr. Zippers – Claimed (Tr. J. Avalos)

5th Race - #3 Is She Legal – Claimed (Tr. J. Moreno)

6th Race - #4 Newport Kid – Claimed (Tr. V. Zamudio)

(6) HANDLE AND ATTENDANCE

On Track Attendance:	641	On Track Handle:	\$127,807.30
Off Track Attendance:	1,857	Off Track Handle:	\$386,140.30
Total:	2,498	Out of State:	\$676,422.75
		Total:	\$1,190,370.35

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on November 13, 2016. Zero equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period eleven horses were added to the Veterinarian's

List as follows: six for soundness, two for injury, and three for sickness.

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

This report was submitted by Steward: Randy Winick.

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SUMMARY 2016

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 11/11	SAT 11/12	SUN 11/13	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	38
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	24
CLAIMS			R		2	3	3	8	457
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	57
INQUIRIES	D				0	0	1	1	120
REFUNDS		A			4	5	1	10	536
RULINGS			Y		1	0	1	2	300
VOIDED CLAIMS					0	0	0	0	79

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

Randy Winick (Steward)

Tom Ward (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)

David Nuesch (Steward)