

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 January 17, 2017 through January 22, 2017.

Tuesday

01/17/2017

- (1) STEWARD ON DUTY
David Nuesch was on hand this morning for Friday's entries.
- (2) ENTRIES
The six canceled races, from Sunday evening, were all brought back as late extras, including the Barbra B Handicap at 550 yards. The eight races, of which two are overnight stakes, were drawn at 12:30 p.m.
- (3) CAL – BRED REPORT
No Cal Bred races were used.

Wednesday

01/18/2017

- (1) STEWARD ON DUTY
Tom Ward was the steward on hand today for scratches and entries.
- (2) ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES
Eight races were drawn for Saturday night's card, which consisted of all quarter horse races, including six trials for the Los Alamitos Winter Derby.

Scratch-time provided only one equipment change, and one also-eligible scratch, for Friday night's card.
- (3) CAL – BRED REPORT
Due to the abundance of trials, no Cal Bred races were carded.

Thursday

01/19/2017

- (1) DREYER SUBS
James Dreyer will replace a still ailing Randy Winick for today's entries.
- (2) SCRATCHES
Scratch time resulted in no changes or declarations on Saturday's program.

(3) CAL - BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens four and up for a \$2,500 claim, was called off with no entries.

(4) THE DRAW

Two Los Alamitos Winter Championship Trials somewhat alleviated the struggle to fill eight races for Sunday.

Friday

01/20/2017

(1) SCRATCHES

Only four rider changes were reported, at scratch-time, for Sunday night's card.

(2) WINICK STILL OUT

Ailing steward Randy Winick will be replaced in the stand by David Nuesch. Ron Church was called in to fill the role of Safety steward.

(3) HEARING

An informal hearing was held in the stewards' office with trainer Jose Avalos and owner Armando Leos, to discuss a high level of Methyprednisolone found in the post-race test of Mr. Zippers, who finished 2nd, in the first race, on 12/03/2016. The board of stewards will deliberate the case further and a ruling will follow in the coming days.

(4) CAMERA BACK WORKING

We were happy to learn that our 3/16th pole camera was back in operation tonight, after being out for several weeks. The angle is particularly helpful when the field is entering the far turn, here at Los Alamitos.

(5) SMOOTH RACING

Other than a few riders being called in, for possible crop violations, tonight was a very clean night of racing.

(6) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st – Race #5 Maximum Maximum – Scratched – Vet - Sick
Refund: \$1000.00

1st – Race #1 Parliamentarian – Claimed, by (Milton Whitehouse)

1st – Race #6 Moonlight Meeting – Claimed by (Tr. K. Castaneda)

2rd – Race #6 Lady Berlin – Claimed by (Tr. J. Nunez)

5th - #3 Devout- Claimed by (V. Zamudio)

6th – Race #5 JM Bella Corona – Scratched – Vet – Injured
Refund : \$ 25.00

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	489	On Track Handle:	\$67,581.40
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,750</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$218,202.70
Total:	2,239	Out of State:	<u>\$654,433.14</u>
		Total:	\$940,217.24

Saturday

01/21/2017

(1) STILL OUT

With Randy Winick still being out, once again David Nuesch replaces him in the stand, and tonight Paul Atkinson was brought in, to fill the safety steward role.

(2) RULINGS #16 & #17

The following rulings were issued in response to the hearing held yesterday (Ref: 1/20/17 #3) involving the horse Mr. Zippers.

RULING # 16

OWNER ARMANDO LEOS, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "MR. ZIPPERS" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON DECEMBER 3, 2016, 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 RULE #1843 (a, b AND d)(MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (b) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), #1844 (f) (10) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-METHYLPREDNISOLONE IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL – 186PG/ML).

RULING # 17

TRAINER JOSE AVALOS, WHO STARTED THE HORSE “MR. ZIPPERS” IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON DECEMBER 3, 2016, 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 RULE #1843 (a, b AND d)(MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (b) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), #1844 (f) (10) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-METHYLPREDNISOLONE IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL – 186PG/ML).

(3) **CROP RULINGS #18, #19, #20, & #21**

The following rulings were issued for various crop violations from Friday night’s card.

RULING # 18

JOCKEY RODRIGO ACEVES 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 FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 20, 2017.

RULING # 19

JOCKEY JOSE M. NICASIO 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 JANUARY 20, 2017.

RULING # 20

JOCKEY CRUZ MENDEZ IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688 (USE OF RIDING CROP-STRIKING HORSE OVER THE HEAD) DURING THE RUNNING OF THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 20, 2017.

RULING # 21

JOCKEY ARMANDO CERVANTES IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688 (USE OF RIDING CROP-STRIKING HORSE DURING THE WARM UP PERIOD) PRIOR TO THE SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 20, 2017.

(4) **ANOTHER SMOOTH NIGHT**

Tonight’s card, which consisted mostly of trials for the Winter Derby, were all cleanly run races.

(5) **LATE DECLARATIONS**

There were no scratches or changes on tonight’s card.

(6) **ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

On Track Attendance:	896	On Track Handle:	\$99,574.40
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,953</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$266,387.00

Total:	2,849	Out of State:	\$685,146.32
		Total:	\$1,051,107.72

SUNDAY
01/22/17

(1) RACES CANCELED

The entire race card was canceled due to heavy rain.

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on January 22, 2017. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period seven horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows; three for soundness, two for injury, one for sickness and one for bleeding. Two horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward David Nuesch.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
SUMMARY 2017**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 01/20	SAT 01/21	SUN 01/22	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	0
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		4	0	0	4	15
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	4
INQUIRIES	D				0	0	0	0	4
REFUNDS		A			2	0	0	2	20
RULINGS			Y		0	6	0	6	21
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	0	0	0	0	6

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

David Nuesch (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)

Tom Ward (Steward)

Paul Atkinson (Safety Steward)