

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

4961 E. Katella Avenue  
 Los Alamitos, CA 90720  
[www.chrb.ca.gov](http://www.chrb.ca.gov)



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

**TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

HONORABLE EDMUND G. BROWN JR., GOVERNOR  
 HONORABLE CHUCK WINNER, CHAIRMAN  
 HONORABLE MADELINE AUERBACH, VICE CHAIRMAN  
 HONORABLE JESSE H. CHOPER, MEMBER  
 HONORABLE FRED MAAS, MEMBER  
 HONORABLE ARACELI RUANO, MEMBER  
 HONORABLE ALEX SOLIS, MEMBER  
 RICK BAEDEKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
 JACQUELINE WAGNER, ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
 JOHN MCDONOUGH, CHIEF COUNSEL  
 DARREL MCHARGUE, CHIEF STEWARD

Report of the Board of Stewards for the week March 29 through March 31, 2018.

**THURSDAY**

03/29/2018

(1) **DUTY STEWARD**

Tom Ward was on duty this week to oversee entries and declarations. Filling races for this abbreviated racing week was difficult, as the Friday card was drawn at 4:15 P. M., while the Saturday card was completed at 2:15 P. M. Scratches and changes were kept to a minimum. Ward will also be compiling minutes for the coming week.

**FRIDAY**

03/30/2018

(1) **EARLY DECLARATION**

5th race - #4 Dashin Toro (Vet-sick) refund of \$57.00

(2) **RULING #73**

**RULING # 73**

JOCKEY JOSE M. NICASIO IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b) (2) (USE OF RIDING CROP). PRIOR TO THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 25, 2018.

This ruling was issued after the rider had viewed the post parade of the eighth race from last Sunday, during which he struck his mount with the riding crop. He said that his horse was trying to mash his foot up against the pony, but video did not corroborate his statements.

(3) **PADDOCK INCIDENT**

Jockey Christian Aragon was injured in the walking ring when his mount, #5 Nopermissionneded, became rank and unseated him. A replacement rider was named.

(4) **LATE VETERINARIAN SCRATCH**

Dr. Becky Fitzgerald recommended that #4 Scott For Her be declared as the horse flipped shortly after entering the track. The refund amounted to \$2,329.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	617	On Track Handle:	\$86,522.50
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,843</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$320,175.40
Total:	2,460	Out of State:	<u>\$872,761.92</u>
		Total:	\$1,279,459.82

**SATURDAY**

03/31/2018

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

1<sup>st</sup> race - #4 Alicias King (Stewards- lack of workouts) refund of \$1,635.00

(2) RULING #74

**RULING # 74**

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 EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 30, 2018.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Nicasio did not appear to defend himself regarding the “crop” violation from Friday evening.

(3) CLAIM VOIDED

The claim deposited by trainer Justin Clark prior to the fourth race for #1 Cali Encounter was voided as the horse was unsound in the right foreleg during its time in the detention barn. The horse was returned to the barn of the former trainer, Charles Treece.

(4) REFUND

A refund was ordered in the fifth race as #2 TDZ Stel A Memory flipped shortly after entering the track, prompting Racing Veterinarian Becky Fitzgerald to recommend that the horse be declared. The resulting refund amounted to \$1,657.00. The rider, Leonardo Gonzalez, was not injured.

(5) RIDER AILING

G. Jairo Rangel called from the Jockeys’ Room to report that he was not feeling well and could not do justice to his mounts. Replacement riders were named.

(6) STEWARDS’ INQUIRY AND DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was posted after the seventh race as the Stewards reviewed an incident shortly after the start involving the winner, #2 All Time Hi (J. Nicasio), and the fourth and fifth place finishers, #3 Fuel (R. Zapien) and #4 Paint It Sixty (C. Franco). After speaking with the riders involved and reviewing video of the incident, the Stewards disqualified All Time Hi from first to fifth position. Video showed the horse drifting out to make contact with Fuel and force that horse out into the path of Paint It Sixty. It was the opinion of the Stewards that the actions of the winner cost both affected horses the opportunity for a better placing.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	773	On Track Handle:	\$90,504.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,898</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$297,056.90
Total:	2,671	Out of State:	<u>\$924,674.22</u>
		Total:	\$1,312,235.32

**TRACK SAFTEY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on March 31, 2018. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period 4 horses were added to the Veterinarian’s List as follows: 1 for soundness, 2 for injury, and 1 for sickness. Eleven horses previously on the Veterinarian’s List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Tom Ward.

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

**SUMMARY  
2018**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 03/30	SAT 03/31	SUN 04/01	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	D	0	7
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	A	0	0
CLAIMS			R		3	2	R	5	87
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	1	K	1	10
INQUIRIES	D				0	1		1	25
REFUNDS		A			2	2	D	4	117
RULINGS			Y		1	1	A	2	74
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	0	1	Y	1	15

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

---

Tom Ward (Steward)

---

Ron Church (Steward)

---

James Dreyer (Steward)

---

David Nuesch (Steward)