

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week May 29 through June 3, 2018.

THURSDAY

05/31/2018

(1) **DUTY STEWARD**

Tom Ward was in the office this past week to oversee entries and scratches. The entry process was rather slow this week as the earliest the draw was held was on Tuesday, when the eight race card was finalized at 1:30 P. M. The nine race card for Saturday was drawn at 2:30, while the eight race card for Sunday was in the books at 4:30 P.M. Once again, Cal Bred races did not fill. As one might expect, changes were held to a minimum. Ward will be responsible for minutes for the coming week.

FRIDAY

06/01/2018

(1) **EARLY DECLARATIONS**

1st race - #2 Sagrada Samilia (Vet-injured) refund of \$200.00
 #6 Heather's Wish (Vet-unsound) refund of \$228.00
 7th race - #2 Favorite Class (Stewards-entered back) refund of \$31.00
 #3 Jess My Moment (Stewards-entered back) refund of \$61.00

(2) **RULING #115**

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PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF A STIPULATED AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD TRAINER PAUL JONES, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "FUEL" IN THE SEVENTH RACE FINISHING THIRD AT LOS ALAMITOS ON MARCH 31, 2018 IS SUSPENDED FIFTEEN (15) DAYS AND FINED THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$3500.00)* AND PLACED ON PROBATION FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF THIS RULING PURSUANT TO CHRB RULE #1887 (A)(TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CHRB RULES #1843 (A)AND (D)(MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES – DEXAMETHASONE (31PG/ML) AUTHORIZED AMOUNT (5.0PG/ML)), #1843.1(B)(PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES) AND #1844(F)(4)(AUTHORIZED MEDICATION).

FOR CAUSE, THE FIFTEEN DAY SUSPENSION IS STAYED PROVIDED MR. JONES IS NOT IN VIOLATION OF CHRB RULES AND REGULATIONS #1843, #1843.6 AND #1887 REGARDING CLASS 1,2,3 OR 4 DRUG

SUBSTANCES. IF THE RESPONDENT VIOLATES ANY CONDITIONS OF HIS PROBATION, THE STAYED FIFTEEN (15) DAYS OF SUSPENSION SHALL BE LIFTED AND THE SUSPENSION SHALL BE IMPOSED AFTER NOTICE AND HEARING AND SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO ANY PENALTY IMPOSED FOR THE UNDERLYING RULE VIOLATIONS.

This ruling was issued after we received documentation that Mr. Jones had entered into a settlement agreement with the Board for a medication positive.

(3) RULING #116

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OWNER JOSE DOMINGUEZ WHO RACED THE HORSE "SAGITA" IN THE SEVENTH RACE ON JANUARY 14, 2018 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE IS FINED THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000.00)* AND SUSPENDED SIXTY (60) DAYS (JUNE 1, 2018 THROUGH JULY 30, 2018) PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (A)(TRAINER OR OWNER 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 (b) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), AND 1844(e)(6)(AUTHORIZED MEDICATION).

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

The foregoing ruling was issued after Mr. Dominguez had failed to respond to hearing dates for his Clenbuterol positive. He is not in this country, and does not know when he will return.

(4) RULING #117

RULING # 117

JOCKEY EDGAR PAYERAS IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT) AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 26, 2018.

The preceding ruling was published after Mr. Payeras acknowledged responsibility for missing his mount this past Saturday. He thought the race was going to go off at 4:37, but it actually went off at 4:50.

(5) RULING #118

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JOCKEY OMAR HERRERA SANTOS, WHO RODE "BS CYCLOTRON" IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE MAY 27, 2018, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (JUNE 8TH, 9TH, AND 10TH, 2018) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIRST TO SECOND POSITION. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES-CARELESS RIDING).

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES). THE TERM OF THIS SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES IN CALIFORNIA.

The above ruling was signed after Mr. Santos failed to appear to offer reasons which might exonerate him from a riding infraction in the fourth race last Sunday.

(6) STEWARDS INQUIRY AND DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign after the seventh race to review an incident approaching the finish involving the third and fourth place finishers, #1 Alegendinmytime(L. Gonzalez) and #5 Run Raging Rhino Ru,(J. Nicasio). After speaking with the riders involved and reviewing video of the incident, the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify #1 Alegendinmytime from third to fourth position. Video showed that the #1 horse drifted out multiple paths, ultimately making solid contact with Run Raging Rhino Ru and forcing that horse off stride. The margin at the wire was a "nose" and the Stewards felt that the interference cost the horse that much or more.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	599	On Track Handle:	\$120,954.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,778</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$449,067.90
Total:	2,377	Out of State:	<u>\$777,805.01</u>
		Total:	\$1,347,827.11

SATURDAY

06/02/2018

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

- 1st race – Trio of Champions(entered at Santa Anita) refund of \$519
- 6th race - #1 Fire Willie(Vet-colic) refund of \$145.00
- 9th race - #3 Slates Famous Eagle(Vet-sick) refund of \$210.40

(2) RULING #119

RULING #119

JOCKEY LEONARDO R. GONZALEZ, WHO RODE "ALEGENDINMYTIME" IN THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE JUNE 1, 2018, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (JUNE 9TH, 10TH, AND 15TH, 2018) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM THIRD TO FOURTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES-CARELESS RIDING).

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This ruling was issued after Mr. Gonzales admitted guilt after reviewing the seventh race from the previous evening. His horse drifted out to make significant contact with a horse to his outside.

(3) REFUND

A refund was ordered in the third race as #1 Lil' A. J. flipped in the starting gate, injured itself, and was declared on the recommendation of Racing Veterinarian Becky Fitzgerald. The refund amounted to \$19,500.00

(4) RIDER EXCUSED

Jockey Juan Sanchez was excused from his mount in the fifth race as he was injured in a starting gate incident in the previous race. A replacement rider was named.

(5) STEWARDS' INQUIRY – DOUBLE DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was posted after the eighth race as the Stewards reviewed serious interference shortly after the start. Video showed that the fourth place finisher, #2 Paint It Sixy(A. Zepeda) drifted out several paths, causing tight quarters for #4 Just A Kid and #5 Jess My Moment. At the same time, #6 Lolita V, with Jesus Ayala aboard, drifted in and put the proverbial "cherry on the cupcake", causing more tight quarters. In the Stewards' opinion, the 4 and 5 horses were cost the opportunity for an improved position

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	733	On Track Handle:	\$144,692.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,971</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$490,594.80
Total:	2,704	Out of State:	<u>\$971,739.49</u>
		Total:	\$1,607,026.99

(1) EARLY DECLARATION

4th race - #5 Swallows Inn Gal (Vet-colic) refund of \$341.00

(2) RULINGS #120

RULING # 120

TRAINER JUAN ANDRES RODRIGUEZ IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION – HORSE IN AT SANTA ANITA AND LOS ALAMITOS ON SAME DAY RESULTING IN LATE DECLARATION) ON JUNE 2, 2018.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Rodriguez offered a flimsy excuse for entering his horse at two venues on the same day. He has recently relocated from Florida, and said that entering horses at two different racetracks was allowed. Perhaps, but Mr. Rodriguez is not in Florida any longer.

(3) RULING #121

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JOCKEY ALBERTO ZEPEDA, WHO RODE "PAINT IT SIXY" IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE JUNE 2, 2018, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (JUNE 10TH, 15TH, AND 16TH, 2018) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM SIXTH TO EIGHTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES-CARELESS RIDING).

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES). THE TERM OF THIS SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES IN CALIFORNIA.

The preceding ruling was issued after Mr. Zepeda had viewed the eighth race from Saturday evening, after which his mount was disqualified from sixth to eighth position. He offered no valid excuse, stating that he did not realize he had drifted out as much as he did.

(4) RULING #122

RULING #122

JOCKEY JESUS RIOS AYALA, WHO RODE "LOLITA V" IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE JUNE 2, 2018, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (JUNE 10TH, 15TH, AND 16TH, 2018) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FOURTH TO SEVENTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES-CARELESS RIDING).

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES). THE TERM OF THIS SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES IN CALIFORNIA.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Ayala had seen the video of the eighth race from June 2, as his horse was disqualified for interference. He offered a number of excuses, none of which exonerated him of responsibility.

(5) VOIDED CLAIM

A claim deposited by trainer Elmer January for #3 Eldaafirst in the third race was voided as Official Veterinarian Gary Beck reported that the horse was unsound in the right foreleg during its time in the detention barn. The horse was returned to the barn of Kelly Castaneda.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	528	On Track Handle:	\$96,594.10
Off Track Attendance	<u>1,754</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$369,802.00
Total:	2,282	Out of State:	<u>\$906,886.66</u>
		Total:	\$1,373,282.76

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on June 3, 2018. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period 12 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 5 for soundness, 3 for injury, 2 for sickness and 2 for shock wave therapy. Ten horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Tom Ward.

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SUMMARY 2018

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 06/01	SAT 06/02	SUN 06/03	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	9
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		6	4	4	14	161
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	1	2	0	3	18
INQUIRIES	D				1	1	0	2	34
REFUNDS		A			2	4	0	6	184
RULINGS			Y		4	1	3	8	122
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	2	1	1	4	30

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)