

**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 August 14, 2018 through August 19, 2018.

**Tuesday**

8/14/2018

**(1) STEWARD DUTY**

Steward David Nuesch will be on duty this week attending to morning office matters and recording the minutes for the reporting period.

**(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW**

Friday's eight race card, which consisted of three thoroughbred races, was drawn by 1pm today. Fifty-eight horses are scheduled to start on Friday evening.

**(3) CAL-BRED REPORT**

The one California-Bred race that was offered for Friday attracted only one entry.

**Wednesday**

8/15/2018

**(1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES**

Only one rider change was made at scratch time for Friday night's race card.

**(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW**

Saturday's nine race program, of which four are "around-the-turn" races, was draw by 2pm today.

**(3) CAL-BRED REPORT**

The lone California-Bred maiden race offered attracted four entries, was later opened up to all runners, and went as the fifth race on the card, with six runners.

**Thursday**

8/16/2018

**(1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES**

Scratch time for Saturday night's program was conducted at 9:00 a.m. and once again only one rider change was made.

**(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW**

Sunday's nine race program, highlighted by the grade one Golden State Derby, was completed and drawn by about 1:30 pm today.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The one Cal-bred race offered today only attracted one entry, so it was promptly called off.

**Friday**  
8/17/2018

(1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES

Two rider changes were made this morning, at scratch time, for Sunday evening's card.

(2) RULINGS #186 & #187 (Ref: 8/12/2018 (1))

The following rulings were issued after the Stewards deliberated that facts heard in last week's hearing with trainer Chuck Treece and Dr. Rick Overly.

**RULING #186**

TRAINER CHARLES TREECE, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "ZACHIAN", THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS ON JUNE 23, 2018 IS FINED FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4000.00)\* 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), #1843.1(B)(PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES) AND #1844(F)(1)(AUTHORIZED MEDICATION – BETAMETHASONE (66PG/ML) IN EXCESS OF AUTHORIZED LEVEL (10.0PG/ML)).

FOR GOOD CAUSE, THE FINE OF FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,000.00)\* IS STAYED PROVIDED MR. TREECE IS NOT IN VIOLATION OF CHRB RULES AND REGULATIONS #1843 AND #1887 REGARDING CLASS 1,2,3 OR 4 DRUG SUBSTANCES. IF THE RESPONDENT VIOLATES ANY CONDITIONS OF HIS PROBATION, THE STAYED PENALTY OF FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,000.00)\* SHALL BE LIFTED, AND THE FINE IMPOSED, AFTER NOTICE AND HEARING AND SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO ANY PENALTY IMPOSED FOR THE UNDERLYING RULE VIOLATIONS.

**RULING # 187**

VETERINARIAN LARRY "RICK" OVERLY, WHO TREATED THE HORSE "ZACHIAN" THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS ON JUNE 23, 2018 IS FINED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1000.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A)&(D)(MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1(B)(PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES) AND #1844(F)(1)(AUTHORIZED MEDICATION – BETAMETHASONE (66PG/ML) IN EXCESS OF AUTHORIZED LEVEL (10.0PG/ML)).

(3) CARRASCO RULING

The ruling below was issued after owner Jessica Carrasco failed to appear for her scheduled hearing.

**RULING # 188**

OWNER JESSICA CARRASCO, HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR TO ADDRESS CHARGES ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1876 (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY - \$2,880.00 TO JOSE DE LA TORRE III), IS SUSPENDED FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR).

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

(4) HERNANDEZ RULING

The following ruling was issued after trainer Jose Hernandez Jr. failed to yield to the outrider while exercising one of his own horses.

**RULING # 189**

TRAINER JOSE GUADALUPE HERNANDEZ, JR IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1530 (CASES NOT COVERED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS) FOR FAILURE TO OBEY THE ORDERS OF THE MORNING OUTFRIDER – GALLOP ON TRACK WHEN EMERGENCY LIGHTS WERE IN OPERATION.

(5) CROP REVIEW

Jockeys Cruz Mendez and Carlos Huerta were asked to review separate races in which they both appeared to violate a subsection of the crop rule. Video replay could not substantiate the Mendez ride, so he received a stern warning from the Stewards. However, Carlos Huerta's case was a clear violation, so the following ruling was issued.

**RULING # 190**

JOCKEY CARLOS HUERTA, WHO RODE SWEET 16 IN THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON AUGUST 12, 2018, IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(1) (USE OF RIDING CROP-STRIKING HORSE ON HEAD).

(6) VOIDED CLAIM

During the post-race examination, the official vet noticed that #2 WALK WITH JESS had bled during the running of the fifth race, so the claim submitted by trainer Jose Hernandez Jr. was voided, and the runner was returned to trainer Chuck Treece's barn.

(7) INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION

Immediately following the running of the eighth race the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review multiple situations. The focus of the inquiry quickly turned to the posted first place finisher and its involvement with the runner immediately to its outside. After a very long review process, and extensive deliberation, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify #1 CM BOOM SHAKALAKA, and place him behind #2 FYREFLY JO, for interference in mid-stretch.

Original order 1-10-6-5-2-8/9(DH)-3-7-4  
New order 10-6-5-2-1-8/9(DH)-3-7-4

(8) LATE DECLARATIONS AND REFUNDS

4<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Red Hot In Diamonds (Tr. T. Bazley) – Sick – Dr. Beck  
Refund: \$57.00  
5<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Royal Baby Silk (Tr. C. O'Dell) – Entered back – Stewards  
Refund: \$124.10

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	778	On Track Handle:	\$97,929.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,793</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$381,491.60
Total:	2,571	Out of State:	<u>\$830,274.31</u>
			\$1,309,695.61

**Saturday**  
8/18/2018

(1) RACE REVIEW

This afternoon jockey Edward Nicasio came into our office to review the eighth race from last night in which his mount was disqualified. In a majority decision, the Stewards opted not to impose any penalty for his ride. Steward Dreyer was the dissenting vote, feeling more effort could have been made on Mr. Nicasio's part.

(2) POST PARADE SCRATCH

During the warm-up of the fourth race Dr. Fitzgerald observed that #1 Bless The Cause was

not extending herself properly, therefore requesting that the runner be scratched. The Stewards heeded the racing veterinarian's advice and withdrew Bless The Cause from the race.

(3) TWO DEAD-HEATS

In a series of close finishes tonight, we had two dead-heats in as many races. The first one was for the win in the eighth race, and other dead-heat was for fourth in the ninth race on the card.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS AND REFUNDS

1<sup>st</sup> Race #6 Cornelius (Tr. A. Saavedra) – sick – Dr. Beck  
Refund: \$175.00  
3<sup>rd</sup> Race #3 Mauney (Tr. K. Craigmyle) – injured – Dr. Beck  
Refund: \$205.00  
4<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Bless The Cause (Tr. K. Castaneda) – unsound – Stewards  
Refund: \$22,173.00  
6<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Kittys Bet (Tr. M. Casselman) – Entered back – Stewards  
Refund: \$1,403.00

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	817	On Track Handle:	\$107,151.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,845</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$350,071.60
Total:	2,662	Out of State:	<u>\$832,556.75</u>
			\$1,289,779.35

**Sunday**  
8/19/2018

(1) CROP VIOLATIONS

The following two rulings were issued as a result of crop violations during last night's card.

**RULING # 191**

JOCKEY MARCIAL RAMIREZ, WHO RODE YOLANDA'S STONE IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON AUGUST 17, 2018 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-SECOND OFFENSE WITHIN THE PAST SIXTY DAYS).

**RULING # 192**

JOCKEY CESAR FRANCO, WHO RODE RENEWED IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON AUGUST 18, 2018 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-FOURTH OFFENSE WITHIN THE PAST SIXTY DAYS).

(2) INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION

Shortly after the first race crossed the finish line, the Stewards posted the inquiry sign to review an incident in deep stretch. After speaking to the riders involved, and a brief review, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify #6 COULDASHOULDADID from third and place him fourth

Original order 5-2-6-4-3-1  
New order 5-2-4-6-3-1

(3) VOIDED CLAIM

After failing the post-race examination by the official vet, the claim of INDAIVIDUALIST from tonight's first race was voided. The runner was returned to trainer Keith Craigmyle's stable.

(4) LATE RIDER CHANGE

After failing to weigh within the allowable overweight limit in the seventh race tonight, jockey Rodolfo Arvizu was removed from his mount, and a replacement rider was named.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS - CHANGES AND REFUNDS

3<sup>rd</sup> Race #3 Dutt Bart (Tr. J. Nunez) – unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund \$114.00  
4<sup>th</sup> Race #2 She's Gone Western (Tr. S. Perez) – unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund \$120.00  
5<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Indy's Lady Luck (Tr. K. Craigmyle) – injured – Dr. Beck  
Refund \$104.00  
8<sup>th</sup> Race #2 Don't Weigh On Me (Tr. P. Jones) – unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund \$116.66

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	694	On Track Handle:	\$109,582.10
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,738</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$348,452.10
Total:	2,432	Out of State:	<u>\$852,913.37</u>
			\$1,310,947.57

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on August 19, 2018. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period 13 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 7 for soundness, 3 for injury, 1 for bleeding and 2 for sickness. Nine 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 2018**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 08/17	SAT 08/18	SUN 08/19	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	13
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	20
CLAIMS			R		0	3	4	7	231
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	1	0	1	2	33
INQUIRIES	D				1	0	1	2	57
REFUNDS		A			2	4	4	10	277
RULINGS			Y		5	0	2	7	192
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	1	0	1	2	38

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

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David Nuesch (Steward)

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James Dreyer (Steward)

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Tom Ward (Steward)

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Paul Atkinson (Safety Steward)