

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 19, 2018 through November 25, 2018.

Monday

11/19/2018

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Steward James Dreyer has the morning assignment and will author the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) ENTRY SCHEDULE CHANGE

Entries this week will be taken on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in order to accommodate the Thanksgiving Holiday.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$2,500 claim, failed to attract any interest whatsoever.

(4) THE DRAW

An even fifty horses will make up Friday's four Thoroughbred and four Quarter Horse program.

Tuesday

11/20/2018

(1) SCRATCHES

One weight adjustment was the only change on Friday's program.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race in the book, maidens three and up for an \$8,000 claim, was off with no entries.

(3) THE DRAW

Saturday evening's program will be made up of two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races.

Wednesday

11/21/2018

(1) SCRATCHES

There were no declarations or changes on Saturday evening's program.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Anticipating an entire card of futurity trials, no Cal-Bred race was offered for Sunday.

(3) THE DRAW

As expected, Sunday's thirteen race program will be comprised entirely of the Los Alamitos 2 Million Futurity Trials.

Friday
11/23/2018

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time resulted in the declaration of one ineligible horse and three rider changes.

(2) RULING #299

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JOCKEY JAIRO RANGEL IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT) IN THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 18, 2018.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Rangel again failed to fulfill his riding engagement.

(3) RULINGS #300 AND #301

RULING # 300

JOCKEY OSCAR ANDRADE JR. IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* 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 EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 18, 2018.

RULING # 301

JOCKEY CESAR FRANCO 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 PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 18, 2018.

The above fines were levied after both riders were found to be in violation of Rule #1688(b)(6)

(4) FILMS

Jockey Christian Aragon was in to review Sunday's second race. Going into the turn, he dropped in making it somewhat tight on the two horses inside of him. His defense was that he was unaware there were two horses next to him and he was simply following one horse down causing the horse on the rail to check slightly. The Stewards did not feel the outcome of the race was compromised and that a warning would suffice in this instance.

(5) INQUIRY-ACCIDENT-NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the first race to review an incident entering the turn of the 4 ½ furlong race. Involved in the incident were #2 "Heaven In Her Eyes" and #3 "Maddie Jane's Bay". The films are inconclusive as to who was at fault however. "Maddie Jane's Bay" clipped the heels of "Heaven In Her Eyes" and fell after which "Heaven In Her Eyes" appeared to be injured and was pulled up. "Heaven In Her Eyes" was euthanized on the track. "Maddie Jane's Bay" appeared to be uninjured. Jockey Julio De La Torre rode his remaining mount while Jockey Freddy Rodriguez was transported to the hospital.

(6) INQUIRY-ACCIDENT-NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the fourth race to review an incident nearing the 1/8 pole. #6 "Rebel On The Run", while racing in the clear, was injured and fell. #5 "Fandarel Dancer" could not avoid the fallen horse and also went down. No other horses were involved. "Rebel On The Run" was euthanized on the track while "Fandarel Dancer" appeared to be uninjured. Apprentice McDaid rode her final mount. Apprentice Payeras was taken to the hospital for observation.

(7) CLAIM VOIDED

The fourth race claim of "Rebel On The Run" was voided after the gelding was injured during the race.

(8) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #5 Jacqueline Lee (Tr. K. Craigmyle) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$281.00
3rd Race #5 Tenille (Tr. A. Aquino) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$134.00
4th Race #2 Fans On The Run (Tr. R. Lucas) – Flipped in Paddock – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$2,534.00

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	646	On Track Handle:	\$79,932.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,787</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$236,752.70
Total:	2,433	Out of State:	<u>\$721,322.73</u>
			\$1,038,008.13

Saturday
11/24/2018

(1) RULING #302

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JOCKEY JUAN PABLO LEON IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* 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 SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 23, 2018.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Jockey Leon violated Rule #1688(b)(6).

(2) GATE CONTROVERSY

Trainer Paul Jones came in with a letter from his owner Marcos Rubeiro Leite concerning the start his horse “Corona Jumpim MRL (#10) received in the Bank of America Challenge Championship on November 17, 2018. Both Mr. Jones and Mr. Leite contend that the assistant starter was still on the ground when Starter Brinson dispatched the field. The quality of the enclosed photo makes it very difficult to establish for certain where the assistant starter was positioned. “Corona Jumpim MRL” did break in a tangle and hit the right stall door. After discussing the incident with Mr. Jones, who could not have been more cordial and understanding, we were of the opinion that Mr. Leite was more interested in our explanation and our assurance that steps would be taken so that in the future this will not happen to him nor anyone else. Mr. Leite will be notified by us. When starter Brinson was interviewed, he told us that the assistant starter insisted he was on the pontoon prior to Gary starting the field.

(3) INQUIRY-DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards hung the inquiry following the seventh race to review the break. #6 “Barrymore Red Hot” (2nd –A. Zepeda) broke in pushing #5 “A Lotta Dash” (5th O. Andrade Jr.) into #4 “Fly N Away” (3rd E. Gasca). The contact caused “A Lotta Dash” to stumble and knocked “Fly N Away” off stride costing both horses an opportunity at a fair placing. In a unanimous vote, “Barrymore Red Hot” was disqualified.

Original Order 3-(6)-4-2-5-1
Official Order 3-4-2-5-(6)-1

(4) CLAIM VOIDED

The seventh race claim of “Royalsignificantfire” was voided after the gelding bled. He was returned to trainer Paul Jones. Trainer Jorge Farias had dropped the claim.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

2ND Race #1 King of Leon (Arg.) (Tr. R. Gomez) – Sick - Dr. Beck. Refund \$237.00
#3 Sonic Boy (Tr. R. Lucas) – Suitable Rider Unavailable – Stewards
Refund \$1,316.00
4th Race #3 Creative Hit (Tr. M. Harrington) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$394.00

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	720	On Track Handle:	\$98,693.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,779</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$270,695.80
Total:	2,499	Out of State:	<u>\$713,984.92</u>
			\$1,083,373.92

(1) RULINGS #303

RULING # 303

JOCKEY ALBERTO ZEPEDA IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* 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 NINTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 24, 2018.

Another violation of Rule #1688(b)(6) resulted in the foregoing ruling.

(2) FILMS

Although Jockey Alberto Zepeda's mount was disqualified for interference in last evenings seventh race, Refer 11/24/18-#3, the films exonerate Zepeda of any responsibility for the incident.

(3) INQUIRY-ACCIDENT-NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the ninth race to review an incident mid-stretch. #3 "Holy Schnikes", while racing in the clear, appeared to become injured, and fell. No other horses were involved. "Holy Schnikes" was euthanized on the track. Jockey Jonathon Roman rode the remainder of his mounts.

In the same race, Jockey Cody Jensen was unseated while pulling up and subsequently asked to be excused for the rest of the evening. His ailments are unknown at this time.

(4) OBJECTION- NO CHANGE

Following the eleventh race, Jockey Jonathon Roman on #4 "Sage Franklin" (6th) lodged an objection against #3 "Terrific First Down" (3rd- E. Nicasio). "Terrific First Down" did cross in front of him, however the films failed to substantiate that he lacked sufficient clearance when he did so. No action was warranted.

(5) INQUIRY-ACCIDENT-NO CHANGE

The inquiry was posted following the thirteenth race to review two unrelated incidents. In the first, #5 "SC Coronada" reared at the start and never left the gate. He was declared a starter after it was determined there was no malfunction and he was the cause of the entire situation. In the second scenario, #4 "Special Walk", while racing in the clear, appeared to suffer an injury. "Special Walk" was euthanized on the track. Jockey Erasmo Gasca was alert, however he complained of a sore arm. He was transported to the hospital for observation.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

10th Race #1 Favorite Wise Lady (Tr. C. O'Dell) – Stake – Steward's. Refund \$456.00
10th Race #7 Golden Boy Gonza (Tr. J. Nunez) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$245.02
12th Race #9 Jess Glance (Tr. C. O'Dell) – Stake – Steward's. Refund #132.30

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	755	On Track Handle:	\$164,803.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,792</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$441,087.10
Total:	2,547	Out of State:	<u>\$1,259,762.96</u>
			\$1,865,653.06

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on November 25, 2018. Four equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period 12 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 5 for soundness, 4 for injury, 1 for sickness, and 2 for bleeding. Eight horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
SUMMARY
2018**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 11/23	SAT 11/24	SUN 11/25	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				2	0	2	4	21
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	20
CLAIMS			R		2	3	0	5	319
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	1	0	1	51
INQUIRIES	D				2	1	3	6	99
REFUNDS		A			3	3	3	9	397
RULINGS			Y		3	1	1	5	303
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	1	1	0	2	50

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

James Dreyer (Steward)

Tom Ward (Steward)

Ron Church (Steward)

David Nuesch (Safety Steward)