

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 of February 19, 2019 through February 24, 2019.

Tuesday

2/19/2019

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will represent the Board for morning concerns and shall write the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$12,500 claim, was off with one Cal-Bred.

(3) THE DRAW

Three Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races are on tap for Friday evening. Fifty-two (52) horses passed the entry box.

Wednesday

2/20/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

One scratch, one equipment and one rider change completed Friday's program adjustments.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for \$2,500, was off with one Cal-Bred.

(3) THE DRAW

Saturday's eight race card will be divided equally between Thoroughbreds and Quarter Horses. A mere forty-nine (49) horses comprise the entire program.

Thursday

2/21/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

One rider switch completed Saturday's program changes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$6,250 claim, was called off with one (1) Cal-Bred.

(3) THE DRAW

Barring the fact that all of the book races were called off, racing secretary Jay Conklin was able to piece together eight races.

Friday
2/22/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time for Sunday resulted in one reported gelding.

(2) RULINGS #46 AND #47

RULING # 46

JOCKEY EDUARDO NICASIO IS FINED ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00)* 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 SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 17, 2019.

RULING # 47

JOCKEY RUBEN LOZANO 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 FEBRUARY 17, 2019.

The foregoing rulings were issued after the named riders were found guilty of violating Rule #1688 (b)(6).

(3) RULING #48

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OWNER ENRIQUE GARCIA IS SUSPENDED FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1876 (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY- \$7733.00 TO EQUINE SPORTS MEDICINE).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF ENRIQUE GARCIA ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE), ENRIQUE GARCIA IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION. SUSPENSION TO COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 25, 2019.

The above ruling was issued after Owner Enrique Garcia and Equine Sports Medicine were unable to reach an agreement.

(4) COMPLAINT #18LA0292

An informal hearing was convened this afternoon to address the above referenced issue. Trainer Avalos accepted his responsibility for the incident but, as is the case in most of these medication positives, was unable to give us any definitive explanation as to how or why it happened. He speculated that possibly Dr. Hardgrove had missed the joint and the injection had gotten into the soft tissue of "Rockin my Mojo".

(5) RULING #49

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JOCKEY JONATHAN ROMAN WHO RODE "MISS MONTIELITA" IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 17, 2019, IS SUSPENDED TWO RACING DAYS (MARCH 1ST AND 2ND, 2019) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIFTH TO TENTH 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 SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES.

The above ruling was issued after meeting with trainer Roman Figueroa and jockey Jonathan

Roman who was represented by Guild Director Darrel Haire. Initially, all three of them felt the trouble came from the inside and not his horse on the outside. After extensive review, they came around to our way of thinking. We did feel that Jockey Roman could have made a better effort, however, resulting in the suspension.

(6) COOL EVENING

Other than the cold temperatures, it was a very pleasant evening.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

1ST Race #4 Freaky Floyd (T. Bazley) – Entered back - Stewards
Refund \$174.00
1st Race #7 Great Bambino (J. Avalos) – Sick- Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$301.00
1st Race #8 Joejoe’s Kingdom (J. Wallace II) – Unsound– Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$366.00

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	544	On Track Handle:	\$64,835.60
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,790</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$189,523.70
Total:	2,334	Out of State:	<u>\$694,948.15</u>
			\$949,307.45

Saturday
2/23/2019

(1) RULING #50 (Refer 2/22/19 #4)

RULING # 50

TRAINER JOSE AVALOS, WHO STARTED THE HORSE “ROCKIN MY MOJO” IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON DECEMBER 15, 2018, IS FINED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (a & d)(MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (b) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), AND #1844 (f)(13) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION- TRIAMCINOLONE ACETONIDE (183 PG/ML) IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL – 100 PG/ML).

After due deliberation concerning complaint #18LA0292, the foregoing ruling was issued.

(2) RULINGS #51 AND #52

RULING # 51

JOCKEY OMAR SANTOS 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 – WORKING WHEN EMERGENCY LIGHTS WERE IN OPERATION.

RULING # 52

JOCKEY EDUARD ROJAS 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 – WORKING WHEN EMERGENCY LIGHTS WERE IN OPERATION.

The above rulings were issued after meeting with Jockeys Omar Santos and Eduard Rojas. The riders were working two horses in a set and both admitted to being aware the sirens were on, but ignored the warning. Fortunately, it did not escalate into what could have been a very unfortunate situation.

(3) RULING #53

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JOCKEY ARMANDO VIRAMONTES IS FINED ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00)* 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 FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 22, 2019.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Viramontes was observed violating Rule #1688 (b)(6).

(4) RULING #54

RULING # 54

TRAINER ROBERT BEAN IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1845 (d) (AUTHORIZED BLEEDER MEDICATION) FOR FAILURE TO HAVE A LICENSED EMPLOYEE PRESENT FOR FUROSEMIDE ADMINISTRATION.

Dr. Fitzgerald and Robert Bean were in to discuss the Doctor's complaint against him. Mr. Bean apologized and accepted full responsibility. He explained that his groom thought he could hang out in Schwanie's and keep an eye on the barn; that obviously failed. Trainer Bean assured us that going forward he would either be there in person or would pay someone to be at the barn.

(5) CLAIM VOIDED

The second race claim of "Gone Skyward" by trainer Mike Pender was voided after Dr. Beck placed the filly on the vets list as unsound. She was returned to trainer Kelly Castaneda.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race #3 Tomasino (Tr. C. Treece) – Sick - Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$1,302.30
5th Race #2 Ultimate Game (Tr. R. Lucas) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$94.00
6th Race #3 Stilts (J. Farias) – Sick – Dr. Beck
Refund \$126.36

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	584	On Track Handle:	\$69,843.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,853</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$234,462.40
Total:	2,437	Out of State:	<u>\$739,365.41</u>
			\$1,043,671.51

Sunday
2/24/2019

(1) RULINGS #55

RULING # 55

TRAINER RAMIRO LOPEZ ZUAZO, HAVING COMPLIED WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1876 (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY) IS RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING. RULING #22, ISSUED AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 25, 2019, IS SET ASIDE.

The foregoing ruling was issued after trainer Zuazo's debt to Equine Sports Medicine in the amount of \$525.00 was satisfied.

(2) GOOD NIGHT

Despite struggling to get this evening's program together, the races went quite well.

(3) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #1 Misti Moni (Tr. R. Lucas) – Sick – Dr. Beck
Refund \$262.00
4th Race #4 Freaky Moniquee (Tr. J. Nunez) – Sick – Dr. Beck
Refund \$394.00
6th Race #6 Behrly Tricky (Tr. C. Hurtado) – Tied Up – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$6,016.00

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance: 498
Off Track Attendance: 1,732
Total: 2,230

On Track Handle: \$77,650.40
Off Track Handle: \$311,040.10
Out of State: \$933,205.57
\$1,321,896.07

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on February 24, 2019. Two equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period 10 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 3 for soundness, 2 for injury, and 5 for sickness. Four 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
2019**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 2/22	SAT 2/23	SUN 2/24	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	1
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		2	2	1	5	53
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	8
INQUIRIES	D				0	0	0	0	14
REFUNDS		A			3	3	3	9	58
RULINGS			Y		4	5	1	10	55
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	0	1	0	1	7

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

James Dreyer (Steward)

Scott Chaney (Steward)

Tom Ward (Steward)

David Nuesch (Safety Steward)