

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 May 14, 2019 through May 19, 2019.

Tuesday

5/14/2019

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will be at the helm this week to navigate through morning business and will author the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three years old for a \$6,250 claim, failed to attract an entry.

(3) THE DRAW

Only one Thoroughbred race will be offered on Friday's eight race program.

Wednesday

5/15/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

One rider change and one scratch completed Friday's program changes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

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

(3) THE DRAW

Saturday evening's entire card will be comprised of Quarter Horse events, albeit two are 870 yard races.

Thursday

5/16/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was conducted at 9:00am with no changes or declarations on Saturday's program.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens two years old for \$8,000, was off with no entries.

(3) THE DRAW

Sunday's eight race program will feature the \$362,300 Robert Adair Kindergarten Futurity.

- (1) SCRATCHES
Scratch time resulted in two rider changes.
- (2) RULING #115 (REFER 5/12/20109-#3)

RULING #115

JOCKEY EDGAR PAYERAS, WHO RODE "THE PARTY FACTOR" IN THE SECOND RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 12, 2019, IS SUSPENDED FOR THREE RACING DAYS (MAY 24TH , 25TH AND 26TH 2019) FOR CROSSING OVER WITHOUT SUFFICIENT CLEARANCE AND CAUSING INTERFERENCE. 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 foregoing ruling was issued after meeting with Jockey Edgar Payeras to review his ride in Sunday's second race. Approaching the turn, Mr. Payeras dropped in on "Hack", ridden by Ramon Guce, causing him to check, who in turn forced Vinnie Bednar to take up. In the Stewards' opinion, Mr. Payeras' effort was totally lacking prompting the suspension. The Stewards did not feel the outcome of the race was compromised.

- (3) RULING #116

RULING #116

JOCKEY JAIRO RANGEL, WHO RODE "REASON ENUF" IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 12, 2019, IS SUSPENDED FOR TWO RACING DAYS (MAY 24TH AND 25TH 2019) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE AND CAUSING INTERFERENCE LEAVING THE STARTING GATE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIFTH TO SEVENTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES – CARELESS RIDING).

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Jockey Jairo Rangel was in to review Sunday's fourth race, after which he was disqualified. #6 "Reason Enuf" (5th- J. Rangel) broke in causing #5 "Coronas N Cards" (6th- J. Nicasio) and #4 "Magic In Me" (7th- E. Gasca) to take up, eliminating any opportunity either may have had. Rangel's effort to alleviate the situation was totally lacking, resulting in the above ruling.

- (4) INQUIRY- NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the third race to review the start. #2 "Hard To Please" reared at the start unseating Jockey Vinnie Bednar. "Hard To Please" was declared a starter as the entire incident was her doing.

- (5) CLAIM VOIDED

The third race claim of "Hard To Please" by Valentin Zamudio was voided after the filly was placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. She was returned to trainer Scott Willoughby.

- (6) LATE DECLARATIONS

2 nd Race	#2 Madame Mousse (K. Castaneda) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$182.60
3 rd Race	#1 Break Your Plans (R. Viramontes) – Unsound– Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$2,988.75
4 th Race	#2 Hangar 24 (J. Cooper) – Entered back– Stewards. Refund \$177.00
7 th Race	#6 She Runs By You (J. Aleman) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$138.10

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	535	On Track Handle:	\$88,251.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,761</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$373,143.40
Total:	2,296	Out of State:	<u>\$700,366.06</u>
			\$1,161,760.46

Saturday
5/18/2019

(1) RULING #117

RULING # 117

JOCKEY ERASMO GASCA IS FINED TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)* 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-THIRD OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE THIRD RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 17, 2019.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Gasca, in his eagerness to be first to the wire, forgot about Rule #1688(6)(b).

(1) COMPLAINT #19LA0081

An informal hearing was conducted this afternoon to address the above referenced complaint. It appears that this situation was brought about by a series of misunderstandings. Trainer Castaneda testified that he was unaware the horse "Croissant" had been put on the vet's list because Dr. Fitzgerald had not given him a card as to such. However, when one's horse is scratched at the gate, it seems reasonable to assume the horse will be put on the vet's list. Dr. Fitzgerald also wanted the horse x-rayed. The condition was finally ironed out with the horse being examined, worked and being removed from the vet's list. A decision will be forth coming.

(3) INQUIRY-DOUBLE DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry was posted following the fourth race to review the start. #3 "Hangar 24" (3rd-C. Mendez) broke out sharply knocking #4 "Inaugurator" (5th -C. Jensen) into #6 "Favorite Ransom" (6th -R. Castro) eliminating both horses. From the outside, #7 "Great Nooz" (4th- J. Roman) broke in interfering with "Favorite Ransom" from the outside. The decision was unanimous to disqualify both horses. #5 "Frederico's Fantasy" was an early scratch.

Original Order 2-1-(3)-(7)-4-6
Official Order 2-1-4-6-(3)-(7)

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #1 Bullish On Steve (J. Avalos) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$116.00
1st Race #2 Voluntary (J. Avalos) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$87.00
2nd Race #3 Sharp Image (M. Harrington) – Unsound - Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$65.00
4th Race #5 Fredericos Fantasy (J. Flores) – Got loose and ran off track – Stewards
Refund \$5,102.00
5th Race #1 Rattlesnake Ridge (R. Dominguez) – Sick – Dr. Beck. Refund \$541.00

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	795	On Track Handle:	\$125,793.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,963</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$450,507.00
Total:	2,758	Out of State:	<u>\$870,953.08</u>
			\$1,447,253.78

Sunday
5/19/2019

(1) RULING #118

RULING # 118

EXERCISE RIDER MARCO MURGUIA IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1874 (DISORDERLY CONDUCT- FIGHTING IN THE STABLE AREA).

After hearing from both pugilists, the Stewards felt that exercise rider Marco Murquia was the aggressor in the altercation and issued the foregoing ruling. Loud music appears to have been the catalyst in this situation.

(2) RULING #119

RULING # 119

JOCKEY RUBEN LOZANO 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 18, 2019.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Lozano was unable to arrive in the Jockeys' room in time to fulfill his riding engagement in the fourth race.

(3) **RULINGS #120 AND #121**

RULING # 120

JOCKEY EDUARDO NICASIO IS FINED TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)* 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-THIRD OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 18, 2019.

RULING # 121

JOCKEY RUBEN LOZANO 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 EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 18, 2019.

The above rulings were issued after both riders were guilty of violating Rule #1688(b)(6).

(4) **RULING #122**

RULING # 122

JOCKEY RUDOLFO ARVIZU 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 18, 2019.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Rudolfo Arvizu, for no apparent reason, failed to honor his riding commitment in the sixth race.

(5) **RULING#123 (REFER 5/18/19-#2)**

RULING #123

TRAINER KELLY CASTANEDA IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1866 (VETERINARIAN'S LIST-WORKED A HORSE WHILE ON LIST).

After reviewing the circumstances concerning this complaint, the above ruling was issued.

(6) **CLAIM VOIDED**

The first race claim of "Captain N. Barron" by trainer Jerry Wallace II was voided after being placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. He was returned to trainer Craig Lewis.

(7) **CLAIM VOIDED**

The second race claim of "Lucky Lula" by trainer Sergio Morfin was voided after the filly was placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. She was returned to trainer J. Eric Kruljac.

(8) **INQUIRY-DISQUALIFICATION**

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the sixth race to review the race. #4 "Shez Divine" (1st- J. Ayala) drifted out causing #6 "Carolina Corona" (3rd- J. Nicasio) to steady. As they approached the wire, "Shez Divine" ducked out causing "Carolina Corona" to check sharply. In a unanimous decision, the Stewards voted to disqualify "Shez Divine".

Original Order (4)-3-6-7-5-1-2

Official Order 3-6-(4)-7-5-1-2

(9) LATE DECLARATIONS

2nd Race #1 Marriott Fashion (A. Aquino) – Injured in Paddock– Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$3,344.51

3rd Race #3 Coco Smooches (K.Castaneda) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$101.90

5th Race #3 El Inferno (M. Fales) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$205.20

(10) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	694	On Track Handle:	\$115,200.90
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,646</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$362,600.00
Total:	2,340	Out of State:	<u>\$1,030,363.72</u>
			\$1,508,164.62

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on May 19, 2019. One equine death was reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period, 13 horses were added to the Veterinarian’s List as follows: 6 for soundness, 2 for injury, 4 for sickness, and 1 for bleeding. Five horses previously on the Veterinarian’s List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

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SUMMARY
2019

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 5/17	SAT 5/18	SUN 5/19	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	2
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		1	2	1	4	109
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	2	1	3	18
INQUIRIES	D				1	1	1	3	30
REFUNDS		A			4	5	3	12	178
RULINGS			Y		2	1	6	9	123
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	1	0	2	3	22

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)