

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 January 21, 2020 through January 26, 2020.

Tuesday

01/21/2020

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer has the morning duty during this reporting period in addition to being responsible for recording the minutes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$6,250 tag, was called off with one. 0 Cal-Breds.

(3) THE DRAW

Forty nine horses passed the entry box for Friday evening's eight race program.

Wednesday

01/22/2020

(1) SCRATCHES

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

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

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

(3) THE DRAW

Again, on Saturday, forty-nine horses will make up our eight-race card.

Thursday

01/23/2020

(1) SCRATCHES

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

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens three years old for a \$16,000 tag, was off with one. 1 Cal-Bred.

(3) THE DRAW

Sunday's eight race program will feature the Los Alamitos Maiden Stakes Trials.

Friday

01/24/2020

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time resulted in four rider and one equipment change.

(2) RULINGS #22, #23

Ruling # 22

JOCKEY ARMANDO CERVANTES, WHO RODE LATIN CHICK IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 19, 2020, IS SUSPENDED FOR THREE (3) RACING DAYS (FEBRUARY 7TH, 8TH, AND 9TH, 2020) 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 60 DAYS).

Ruling # 23

JOCKEY JUAN PABLO LEON, WHO RODE MY FAVORITE CARTEL IN THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 19, 2020, IS SUSPENDED FOR THREE (3) RACING DAYS (FEBRUARY 7TH, 8TH, AND 9TH, 2020) 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 60 DAYS).

The foregoing rulings were issued after both riders violated Rule #1688 (b)(6) for the fourth time.

(3) RULING #24

Ruling # 24

GROOM GUILLERMO GUTIERREZ HAVING APPEARED, IS RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING. RULING #294, ISSUED AT LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION ON NOVEMBER 10, 2019 IS SET ASIDE.

AS A CONDITION OF REINSTATEMENT, SUBJECT MUST SIGN A TEST AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD.

The above ruling was issued after groom Gutierrez appeared before us, signed a test agreement and was tested.

(4) POOR VISIBILITY

Fog was an issue throughout this evening's program. It would roll in and then dissipate somewhat, making some of the races a bit of a challenge. The riders were contacted and assured us visibility was not an issue.

(5) OBJECTION-NO CHANGE

Following the sixth race, Jockey Carlos Huerta on #3 Great Nooz (2nd) lodged an objection against #5 Mucho Valiente (1st- A. Cervantes) leaving the gate. After speaking to Huerta and reviewing the break, the Stewards acknowledged there was some inconsequential contact, but not sufficient enough to affect the outcome of the race. The vote to make no change was unanimous.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

6th Race #4 Eachwon Cartel (J. Farias) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$497.00

(7) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	438	\$45,781.70
Off track	1,784	\$154,195.10
Out of state	N/A	\$531,084.23
Total	2,222	\$731,061.03

Saturday
01/25/2020

(1) RULING #25

Ruling # 25

TRAINER LORENZO RUIZ, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "DERBY ROYALTY", THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 1, 2019, 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 RULES #1843 (A & D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), AND #1843.1(B) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES) AND #1844 (F)(9) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-METHOCARBAMOL (CLASS IV)).

An informal hearing was convened today to address complaint #19LA0270. Trainer Ruiz insisted that Dr. Hardgrove had given Derby Royalty the Methocarbamol which she has denied. As trainer of record, he did accept responsibility for the positive test, however.

(2) CLEAR SAILING

Saturday's program was completed with nothing of significance to note.

(3) LATE DECLARATIONS

2nd Race #5 Artcritic (M. Pineda) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$102.00
 3rd Race #1 Cali Rocks (V. Georgiev) – Unsound - Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$105.00
 #5 Slew the Waters (G. Ruffu) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$57.46
 5th Race #1 Ican Fix Adrink (L. Melton) – Unsound - Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$649.00
 #4 Corona Lake (J. Farias) - Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$336.30
 8th Race #2 Chalala Favorite (V. Zamudio) – Flipped in Receiving Barn– Dr. Fitzgerald
 Refund \$1,091.04

(4) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	638	\$68,167.90
Off track	1,800	\$226,566.10
Out of state	N/A	\$595,657.83
Total	2,438	\$890,391.83

Sunday
01/26/2020

(1) RULING #26

Ruling # 26

JOCKEY JONATHAN ROMAN 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-FIRST OFFENSE WITHIN THE PAST 60 DAYS), DURING THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 25, 2020.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Jockey Roman violated Rule #1688 (b)(6) which appeared to be unnecessary as he was already winning the race.

(2) INQUIRY-DISQUALIFICATION

Following the sixth race, the Stewards posted the inquiry to review the race. #5 Fayvorite Chick (4th-J. Leon) on two occasions ducked out knocking #6 Long Time Favorite (5th-O. Andrade, Jr.) and #7 BF Field Notes (6th -A. Viramontes) into each other and stopping any momentum they may have had. After speaking to the riders involved and a thorough review of the race, the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify Fayvorite Chick.

Original Order 1-2-4-(5)-6-7-8-3
 Official Order 1-2-4-6-7-(5)-8-3

(3) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race #5 Charming Alexis (J. Mendoza) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$172.00

4th Race #7 Bono Is Good – (S. Willoughby) – Flipped in Gate- Dr. Fitzgerald
 Refund \$24,169.00

5th Race #1 Im Mongoose Five Bar (D. Givens) - Injured - Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$571.00

(4) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	487	\$91,185.70
Off track	1,622	\$327,071.90
Out of state	N/A	\$769,322.11
Total	2,109	\$1,187,579.71

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on January 26, 2020. There were no equine deaths to report. During this reporting period, 11 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 3 for soundness, 7 for injury, and 1 for sickness. Eight horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

SUMMARY

	Wed	Thurs	Fri 01/24	Sat 01/25	Sun 01/26	Week	Meet
Accidents	D		0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A		0	0	0	0	0
Claims	R		2	4	1	7	39
Disqualifications	K		0	0	1	1	6
Inquiries		D	1	0	1	2	10
Refunds		A	1	6	3	10	48
Rulings		Y	3	1	1	5	26
Voided Claims		S	0	0	0	0	4

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

 James Dreyer, Steward

 Tom Ward, Steward

 Scott Chaney, Steward

 David Nuesch, Safety Steward