

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 March 10, 2020 through March 15, 2020.

Tuesday

03/10/2020

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer has morning responsibilities and will transcribe 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, generated no interest and was called off.

(3) NO RACING

After Santa Anita cancelled Friday's races due to the inclement weather, Los Alamitos chose to follow suit and will not run Friday evening.

Wednesday

03/11/2020

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens three years old for a \$12,500 tag, was off with three. Two Cal-Breds.

(2) THE DRAW

Forty-five horses will comprise Saturday evening's three Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse program.

Thursday

03/12/2020

(1) SCRATCHES

One declaration was the only change on Saturday's card.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$6,250 tag, was off with one. He was not Cal-Bred.

(3) THE DRAW

An even fifty horses will comprise Sunday's two Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races.

Friday

03/13/2020

(1) SCRATCHES

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

Saturday

03/14/2020

(1) RULINGS #67 and #68

Ruling # 67

JOCKEY ARMANDO VIRAMONTES 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 PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE RUNNING OF THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 8, 2020.

Ruling # 68

JOCKEY BARRINGTON HARVEY 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 PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE RUNNING OF THE THIRD RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 8, 2020.

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

(2) RULING #69

Ruling # 69

JOCKEY MARCIAL RAMIREZ IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) * FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT) AT LOS ALAMITOS RACECOURSE ON MARCH 8, 2020.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Marical Ramirez failed to honor his riding engagement in Sunday's fourth race.

(3) RULING #70

Ruling # 70

JOCKEY RODRIGO ACEVES, WHO RODE MESSANGER IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 8, 2020, IS SUSPENDED FOR TWO (2) RACING DAYS (MARCH 21ST AND 22ND, 2020) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIFTH TO SIXTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES- CARELESS RIDING).

The foregoing ruling was issued after Mr. Aceves met with the Stewards and was unable to convince us he had made an adequate effort to straighten his horse shortly after the break in the eighth race resulting in his disqualification. His defense being that he was unfamiliar with the gelding. He felt that trainer Lindsey should have put a different bit on him.

(4) PATRICIA VISSCHER HEARING

An informal hearing was held today to address complaint #20LA0029. Mrs. Visscher felt the problem occurred when her groom took the afternoon off and someone else fed the evening grain. The horse in the stall next to Sister Jolene was on a Bute regimen and Mrs. Visscher was of the opinion that the replacement groom put the wrong feed bucket in Sister Jolene's stall which led to the phenylbutazone positive. A decision will be forthcoming.

(5) INQUIRY-DISQUALIFICATION

Following the fifth race, the Stewards posted the inquiry to review an incident shortly after the start. #5 Hollywood Cartel (4th- A. Zepeda) drifts in pushing #4 I Spot A Cartel (3rd- C. Mendez) into #3 Casons Dream (6th- O. Peinado) eliminating any opportunity she may have had. After speaking with the affected riders and a review of the film, the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify Hollywood Cartel.

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

(6) STARTER BRINSON REPLACED

Prior to the sixth race, starter Brinson contacted us and asked to be relieved for the rest of the evening as he was not feeling well. His assistant, Shane Craigmyle, replaced him.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 3rd Race #4 Family Trips (A. Aquino) – Flipped in Receiving Barn- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$750.00
- 4th Race #1 I Have Become (R. Guillen) –Entered back- Stewards. Refund \$843.72
- 4th Race #5 Val Sierrita (G. Amezcua) –Entered back- Stewards. Refund \$602.66
- 4th Race #6 Heavenly Poison (C. O'Dell) -Unsound- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$1,000.26
- 7th Race #6 Stay And Play Nr (P. Jones)-Sick- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$58.55
- 8th Race #6 Derby Luck (R. Gomez)- Must Work for Vet- Stewards. Refund \$105.75

(8) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	25	\$4,235.10
Off track	862	\$145,507.20
Out of state	N/A	\$910,464.54
Total	887	\$1,060,206.84

Sunday
03/15/2020

(1) TOM WARD ABSENT

Steward Tom Ward, having personal obligations, will be replaced in the stand by Paul Atkinson. Los Alamitos will be sans a safety steward for this evening's program.

(2) RULING #71

Ruling # 71

JOCKEY ARMANDO CERVANTES IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) * FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1683 (MAXIMUM OVERWEIGHT), RESULTING IN LATE RIDER CHANGES IN THE FIFTH AND SIXTH RACES AT LOS ALAMITOS RACECOURSE ON MARCH 14, 2020.

The forgoing ruling was issued after jockey Cervantes began the evening able to make weight and then rehydrated and had to be replaced on two mounts.

(3) RULING #72

Ruling # 72

JOCKEY IRVING LARA 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 PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 14, 2020.

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Lara violated Rule #1688(b)(b).

(4) RULING #73

Ruling # 73

JOCKEY EDUARD F. ROJAS, WHO RODE INFORMATO IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACECOURSE ON MARCH 14, 2020, IS SUSPENDED FOR THREE (3) RACING DAYS (MARCH 22ND, 27TH AND 28TH 2020) FOR FAILING TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE LEAVING THE STARTING GATE. THIS CONSTITUTES A

VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES- CARELESS RIDING).

Jockey Eduard Rojas reviewed yesterday's first race with the Stewards today. His mount broke out and continued to drift with little effort by Mr. Rojas to alleviate the situation. He was unable to convince us to the contrary resulting in the forgoing ruling.

(5) BRINSON STILL AILING

Starter Brinson was replaced again this evening by assistant starter Shane Craigmyle.

(6) RULING #74

Ruling # 74

JOCKEY CHRISTIAN ARAGON, WHO RODE WINDANSEA IN THE SECOND RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 14, 2020, IS SUSPENDED FOR TWO (2) RACING DAYS (MARCH 22ND AND 27TH, 2020) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES- CARELESS RIDING).

Jockey Christian Aragon was in to review the second race from last evening. Down the backstretch it was obvious that his mount was lugging in and Christian was making an effort to keep the horse straight. Unfortunately he chose to turn his mount's head loose allowing him to make it tight on the horse to his inside. The above ruling was the result.

(7) FILMS

Jockey Alberto Zepeda was in to review Saturday's fifth race. His mount broke in making it somewhat tight on the horses to his inside. We felt he could have reacted a little quicker but he was given the benefit of the doubt and a warning was issued.

(8) GOODNIGHT

Sunday evening went quite smoothly with nothing of importance to note.

(9) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 2nd Race #2 Fed Hike (F. Gonzalez) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$571.76
- 3rd Race #4 Havasu Hunni (S. Morffin) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$452.40
- #6 Vanessuky (R. Guillen) – Injured - Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$82.00
- 7th Race #5 Hit It Quit It Nr Reyna Dubai – (C. Hurtado) – Flipped behind gate, ran off- Stewards Refund \$9,700.12

(10) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	25	\$6,199.80
Off track	807	\$173,086.50
Out of state	N/A	\$935,075.71
Total	832	\$1,114,362.01

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on March 15, 2020. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period, 5 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 1 for soundness, 3 for injury, and 1 for sickness. Nine horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

2020

SUMMARY

	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat 03/14	Sun 03/15	Week	Meet
Accidents	D		D	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A		A	0	0	0	0
Claims	R		R	3	2	5	87
Disqualifications	K		K	1	0	1	10
Inquiries		D		1	0	1	18
Refunds		A	D	6	3	9	109
Rulings		Y	A	4	4	8	74
Voided Claims		S	Y	0	0	0	9

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

James Dreyer, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

Scott Chaney, Steward

Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward