

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 24, 2020 through March 29, 2020.

Thursday
03/26/2020

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Tom Ward was in the office this week for entries, scratches and changes. As per the norm, California Bred races did not come close to filling. The entry process, for the most part, was fairly smooth, as the Friday and Saturday cards filled by mid-afternoon. The Sunday card, however, proved extremely difficult to get in the books as the draw did not take place until shortly after 5:00 P.M. Changes and scratches were not a factor. Ward will handle minutes for the coming week.

Friday
03/27/2020

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

1st Race #3 Flags West (Vet-injured) Refund of \$320.44
7th Race #4 Check My Cartel (Entered back) Refund of \$270.81

(2) RULING #82

Ruling # 82

JOCKEY GUILLERMO SUAREZ IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* 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 EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 22, 2020.

This ruling was issued as Mr. Suarez was observed violating the "crop" rule during the eighth race last Sunday evening.

(3) REFUND

A refund was ordered in the fifth race as #3 Dance Dakota Dance flipped during the saddling procedure and was scratched on the advice of Racing Veterinarian Becky Fitzgerald. The refund amounted to \$4,723.06.

(4) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$0.00
Off track	0	\$0.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,234,584.33
Total	0	\$1,234,584.33

Saturday
03/28/2020

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

2nd Race #3 Millie Joel (Vet-interarticular injection) Refund of \$61.07
 3rd Race #3 Northerndancersghost (Vet-unsound) Refund of \$119.12
 5th Race #2 Eachwon Cartel (Vet-sick) Refund of \$93.56
 6th Race #1 Fires Away (Vet-injured) #4 Ima Five Bar Cartel (Vet-sick) Refund of \$218.84
 Note: These two scratches reduced the field to three starters, prompting the cancellation of Place and Show wagering.

(2) CLAIM VOIDED

The claim deposited by Trainer Dennis Givens in the fourth race for #6 Peek It Up was voided as Official Veterinarian Gary Back reported that the horse had bled during its time in the test barn. The horse, which had won easily, was returned to the barn of Trainer James Glenn, Jr.

(3) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$0.00
Off track	0	\$0.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,321,530.55
Total	0	\$1,321,530.55

Sunday
03/29/2020

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

1st Race #4 Chromes Lil Sis (Vet-unsound) Refund of \$239.18
 6th Race #5 Reyna Dubai (Vet-injured) Refund of \$39.11
 7th Race #3 Fed X Cartel (Vet-sick) Refund of \$118.42
 8th Race #7 Federicos Fantasy (Stakes) Refund of \$63.40

(2) RULING #84

Ruling # 84

JOCKEY JUAN PABLO LEON 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-SECOND OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE RUNNING OF THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 28, 2020.

The preceding ruling was issued as the rider chose not to defend his actions with respect to a "crop" violation.

(3) RIDERS EXCUSED

Edgar Payeras was excused from his mount in the fifth race as he called following the fourth event to say that he had a stomach issue and could not fulfill the engagement. The replacement rider was named.

(4) LATE DECLARATION AND REFUND

A refund was ordered in the fifth race as #5 Raw Diamond was reported to be unsound during the warm up period by Racing Veterinarian Fitzgerald and was declared on her recommendation. There was a refund of \$8,191.39 due to the scratch.

(5) STEWARDS' INQUIRY AND DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was posted following the eighth race, the Grade III El Primero Del Ano Derby, as the

stewards looked at two incidents – the start, involving the fifth place finisher, #3 Sass Go Blue and later in the race, #4 Flokie pulling up with an injury.

After reviewing video of both incidents, the Stewards determined that Flokie was injured while racing in the clear. #3 Sass Go Blue (5th, C.Mendez) was disqualified for interference at the break as video showed the horse breaking in, causing significant interference to both #2 You Can Run (7th, O. Andrade, Jr.) and #1 Corona Required (8th, E. Nicasio). The incident at the start, in the unanimous opinion of the Stewards, cost both You Can Run and Corona Required the opportunity for better placings. Mr. Mendez will review the video next Friday.

(6) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$0.00
Off track	0	\$0.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,416,222.10
Total	0	\$1,416,222.10

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on March 29, 2020. 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: 4 for soundness, 4 for injury, 3 for sickness, and 2 for bleeding. Seven horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Tom Ward.

SUMMARY

	Wed	Thurs	Fri 03/27	Sat 03/28	Sun 03/29	Week	Meet
Accidents	D		0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A		0	0	0	0	0
Claims	R		3	2	2	7	97
Disqualifications	K		0	0	1	1	13
Inquiries		D	0	0	1	1	22
Refunds		A	3	4	5	12	130
Rulings		Y	0	0	2	2	83
Voided Claims		S	0	1	0	1	13

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

Tom Ward, Steward

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