

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS****LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, INC.****Santa Anita Park****To the California Horse Racing Board**

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For the period: Thursday, March 06, 2008 through Monday, March 10, 2008.

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MINUTES – ELEVENTH WEEK of SANTA ANITA**THURSDAY**03/06/08¹**SPAWR HEARING**

Trainer BILL SPAWR met with the stewards in what was scheduled to be an informal hearing to adjudicate two alleged Methocarbamol positives (class VI) embodied in cases 07SA0168 and 08SA074. Appearing with his owner/attorney Tom Sanford, after a brief discussion with Senior Investigator Rick Amieva, the stewards decided that a formal hearing was necessary and therefore continued the hearing to a new date at which time a court reporter will be secured.

03/06/08²**MOGER HEARING**

Trainer ED MOGER met with the stewards informally to discuss case 08SA075 which alleged a bute overage in a sample obtained from one of his horses. Mr. Moger did not really have an explanation for the overage but his medication record is quite good. He accepted the following penalty without objection:

LATS #151

Trainer Ed Moger, who started the horse "Zoning In", the first place finisher in the seventh race at Los Angeles Turf Club on January 20, 2008, is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS* (\$400.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1844 (C)(1) (Authorized Medication – Phenylbutazone in excess of permitted level).

03/06/08³**MEETING WITH JOCKEYS**

There were no races of interest to review with the jockeys this week as the riding was remarkably clean and incident free.

03/06/08⁴**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1st race - #7 Let's Go Shopping – Claimed: R. Ayers, trainer
- 2nd race - No changes; Minus Pool \$65.91
- 3rd race - #7 Alittlebitleft (IRE) – Late veterinarian scratch, flipped in paddock; Refund \$7,325.38
- 4th race - No changes; Refund \$5.00
- 5th race - #2 Familiar Stranger – Claimed: M. Marlow, trainer
Refund \$21.00
- 6th race - No changes; Refund \$195.66
- 7th race - No changes
- 8th race - #9 Cape Hatchet – Claimed: D. O'Neill, trainer
#10 Vanaldi – should be listed as a gelding

03/06/08⁵**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	4,417	\$	1,231,291.50
Inter-track	7,112		2,125,692.90
Out of state	n/a		3,878,440.45
Total	11,529		7,235,424.85

FRIDAY03/07/08¹**FRANKEL HEARING**

Trainer BOBBY FRANKEL'S assistant trainer, Sally Lundy, met with the stewards informally to discuss case 08SA091, which alleged a gelding violation. Ms. Lundy explained that the horse had moved back and forth between Hollywood and Santa Anita, which might have led to the confusion with respect to the proper entry of the horse. She accepted the following ruling on Mr. Frankel's behalf:

LATS #152

Trainer ROBERT FRANKEL is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS* (\$500.00) for failure to properly report the gelding of the horse "Serengeti", which ran in the sixth race at Santa Anita Park on February 16, 2008. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1865 (Altering of Sex of Horse).

03/07/08²**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1st race - No changes; Refund \$665.02
- 2nd race - #4 De Car Guy – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Connor
Refund \$1,046.12

- 3rd race - No changes; Minus Pool \$1.29
- 4th race - No changes; Refund \$19.00
- 5th race - #5 River Rebel – Claimed: S. Miyadi, trainer
Refund \$36.00
- 6th race - #9 Purple Royale – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Connor
Refund \$2,135.90
- 7th race - No changes; Refund \$58.00
- 8th race - #13 Warren’s Jack V. – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible
#8 Call Transfer – Claimed: R. Becerra, trainer
Refund \$477.00

03/07/08³**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	4,806	\$ 1,203,513.00
Inter-track	6,474	2,031,576.50
Out of state	n/a	4,807,710.89
Total	11,280	8,042,800.39

SATURDAY
03/08/08¹**GUILLOT HEARING**

Trainer ERIC GUILLOT met with the stewards by telephone to discuss case number 08SA096 which alleged the failure to report the gelding of one of his horses. Mr. Guillot explained that the horse had been gelded two years ago in Louisiana where apparently geldings are not strictly monitored. Unfortunately, the stewards have faced this scenario previously with Mr. Guillot and therefore issued the following ruling which he accepted:

LATS #154

Trainer ERIC GUILLOT is fined ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS* (\$1,000.00) for failure to properly report the gelding of the horse “Fighting Wonder”, which ran in the ninth race at Santa Anita Park on February 23, 2008. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1865 (Altering of Sex of Horse).

03/08/08²**VIGIL RULING**

Having failed to appear before the stewards pursuant to a complaint filed as case number 08SA092 alleging drug related activities, the following ruling was issued:

LATS #153

Groom JUAN VIGIL, having failed to appear before the Board of Stewards to answer a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1489 (H) (engaged in the use of drugs), is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

03/08/08³**PETERSON RULING**

The stewards issued the following concerning groom Fred Peterson:

LATS #155

In the Matter of: Groom Fred Peterson

The suspension levied in LATS ruling #150, dated March 03, 2008, is stayed and respondent is placed on probation for one year. Furthermore, respondent is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS* (\$100.00) and any repeat violation involving moral turpitude may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary action outlined in the original ruling.

03/08/08⁴

INQUIRY/ACCIDENT / NO CHANGE

Following the running of the first race, the stewards posted the inquiry sign to examine the circumstances under which jockey Alonso Quinonez fell from his mount shortly after leaving the gate. Films showed that apprentice jockey Jose Campos' mount broke out slightly, making minor contact with the #3 Philo Beddoe and caused that rival to stumble slightly, ejecting Mr. Quinonez.

After speaking with the patrol judges and one of the riders involved, the stewards determined that no change was necessary. Mr. Quinonez, though appearing uninjured, was transported to the hospital as a precaution. See attached accident report.

03/08/08⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st race - No changes; Refund \$348.00
- 2nd race - #5 Siempre Distante – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Bailey
#4 Pawnee – Rider change: J. Rosario for A. Quinonez (injured)
#6 Kris Silver – Claimed: R. Becerra, trainer
Refund \$842.00
- 3rd race - #6 Byballot - Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Connor
Refund \$1,716.90
- 4th race - #3 Quiet Period – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Guillen
#4 Si Chimi – Claimed: F. Monteleone, trainer
Refund \$786.20
- 5th race - No changes; Refund \$6.00
- 6th race - #1 Sam's Queen – Rider change: J. Rosario for A. Quinonez
#1 Sam's Queen - eased, pulled up, walked off (synthetic)
Refund \$44.90
- 7th race - No changes
- 8th race - #5 Cherie's Dream (GB) – Rider change: J. Valdivia for A. Quinonez
- 9th race - No changes
- 10th race - #3 Exceeding – Claimed: S. Knapp, trainer

03/08/08⁶**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	11,469	\$3,161,911.50
Inter-track	10,454	3,894,699.80
Out of state	n/a	8,073,551.16
Total	21,923	15,130,162.46

SUNDAY
03/09/08¹

DAPP HEARING

The stewards conducted a formal hearing into case number 08SA0085 filed against groom GEOFFREY DAPP in which the CHRB alleged certain drug violations. Mr. Dapp was represented by Robert Huston, and Barbara Weinstein recorded the proceedings. The CHRB called several witnesses in order to demonstrate that Mr. Dapp was under the influence of cocaine while Mr. Dapp's attorney called into the question the validity of the drug test and questioned the relevance of testimony of drug paraphernalia found in Mr. Dapp's tack room. Lasting the entire morning, both sides rested, the stewards closed the record and will have a decision in the following days.

03/09/08²**OBJECTION / NO CHANGE**

Following the running of the ninth race, jockey Tyler Baze claimed foul against third place finisher #2 Double Trouble (BRZ) for interference nearing the quarter pole. Films showed #2, ridden by Rafael Bejarano, drifted in around the turn, leaving little room for Mr. Baze's horse on his inside, which caused him to check and lose ground.

After speaking with the patrol judges and riders involved, the stewards determined that although Mr. Baze's mount did suffer interference, it did not cost him the opportunity at a better placing. Therefore, the original order was made official.

03/09/08³**DOUBLE OBJECTION / NO CHANGE**

Following the running of the tenth race, jockey Joe Talamo, aboard the tenth place finisher and jockey Corey Nakatani, aboard the second place finisher claimed foul against the winner for interference at the quarter pole. Films appear to show that Joel Rosario's mount angles to the outside and takes the path of #10 Key Rose (IRE) (Joe Talamo), causing that rival to steady sharply. Mr. Nakatani's mount was two lengths behind the incident, and despite his claims otherwise, was not affected by the action.

After speaking with the riders and patrol judges involved, the stewards unanimously voted to make no change to the original order of finish, as Mr. Talamo's mount was not cost the opportunity at a better placing.

03/08/08⁴**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race - #2 Beforeshewasmama – Rider change: J. Campos for A. Quinonez (injured)
Refund \$4,120.00; Minus Pool \$11,586.24

2nd race - #3 True Suggestion - Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Connor
#9 La Reve – Stewards' scratch, double lasix; Refund \$7,090.90

- 3rd race - No changes; Minus Pool \$1,258.70
- 4th race - No changes
- 5th race - No changes
- 6th race - #9 Our Road Scholar – Rider change: R. Bejarano for A. Quinonez
Refund \$182.00; Minus Pool \$5.87
- 7th race - #1 Elsie Jo – Claimed: S. Knapp, trainer
#7 Respectheofficer – Claimed: B. Spawr, trainer
Refund \$616.00
- 8th race - #4 Osceola Prince – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Bailey
#12 Squallcreek – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible
#13 Rough Idea – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible
#14 Smokin’ Stogies – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible
Refund \$3,962.40
- 9th race - #4 Say You Will (IRE) – Stewards’ scratch, stake
#6 Zenyatta – Stewards’ scratch, stake
Refund \$5,791.00; Minus Pool \$49,636.08
- 10th race - #12 Britney Heat – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible
#13 Red Flag Alert – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible
#6 Mark Set Go – Claimed: M. Mitchell, trainer
#3 Ready Maid – Claimed: B. Hess, Jr., trainer
#5 Power Du Jour – pulled up, vanned off (synthetic)
Refund \$1,036.00

03/09/08⁵ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	8,213	\$2,413,147.70
Inter-track	8,992	2,995,640.80
Out of state	n/a	5,632,665.00
Total	17,205	11,041,453.50

MONDAY
03/10/08¹

FILM REVIEW

Apprentice jockey JOSE CAMPOS met with the stewards to discuss his ride in the first race on Saturday, in which fellow jockey Alonso Quinonez fell from his mount, which stumbled shortly after the start. Films show that Mr. Campos’ mount breaks slightly outward, coming over a half of a path and makes slight contact with Mr. Quinonez’s horse. While the stewards believed that Mr. Campos could have reacted a little more quickly, it did not rise to the level of careless riding; therefore Mr. Campos was cautioned to be more careful in the future.

Jockey RAFAEL BEJARANO met with the stewards to discuss his ride in the ninth race yesterday in which jockey Tyler Baze claimed foul against him for interference at the quarter pole. Mr. Bejarano was accompanied by Jockey's Guild representative Darrell Haire. After reviewing the films it became clear that although Mr. Bejarano's mount does drift in near the quarter pole, he is making a strong effort to prevent this action. Mr. Bejarano was dismissed without penalty.

Jockey JOEL ROSARIO met with the stewards to discuss his ride in the tenth race yesterday in which jockeys Joe Talamo and Corey Nakatani claimed foul against him for interference at the quarter pole on the turf course. Films demonstrate that Mr. Rosario's mount shifts out abruptly causing Mr. Talamo to steady sharply to avoid clipping heels. It is also clear on the films that Mr. Rosario makes a commendable effort to prevent this movement. Therefore no penalty was appropriate.

03/10/08²**GARRISON RULING**

Trainer DIANE GARRISON submitted her application regarding authorized bleeder medication after scratch time, and was therefore assessed the following penalty:

LATS #157

Trainer DIANE GARRISON is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS* (\$300.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (a) (Authorized Bleeder Medication) at Santa Anita Park on March 10, 2008.

03/10/08³**SCOTT RULING**

Jockey JOY SCOTT, who was late to the jockey's room for her mount on Sunday, was fined after conferring with the stewards by telephone.

LATS #156

Jockey JOY SCOTT is fined FIFTY DOLLARS* (\$50.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1680 (Jockeys and Drivers to Report) at Santa Anita Park on March 9, 2008.

03/10/08⁴**PEDROZA DECISION**

After careful consideration, case number 07HP0162 involving jockey MARTIN PEDROZA and allegations of a moral turpitude rule violation was dismissed when the stewards granted counsel for the Respondent's motion for dismissal. It was the stewards' opinion that there was insufficient evidence to sustain the alleged violation.

03/10/08⁵**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 st Race	No changes
2 nd Race	No changes; Refund \$20.00
3 rd Race	#5 Lucky Rylie – broke down eighth pole, vanned off (synthetic) Refund \$19.00
4 th Race	#13 Ciacci's Angel – Stewards' scratch, also eligible Refund \$432.30

- 5th Race #5 O Bee Naki – Claimed: J. Metz, trainer
Refund \$120.00
- 6th Race #3 Ms. Wonder Woman – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$867.50
- 7th Race #4 Diamond Fury – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Connor
#6 Albertus Maximus – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$1,676.50
- 8th Race #12 Truly Comical – Rider change: J. Talamo for A. Delgadillo

3/10/08⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,496	\$1,219,316.70
Inter-track	5,293	1,698,062.70
Out of state	n/a	3,638,10.18
Total	8,789	6,555,489.58

WEEKLY SUMMARY

ATTENDANCE REPORT - The full Board of Stewards was in session for the entire week, including Assistant Steward Luis Jauregui.

VETERINARIAN'S LIST

Week of 03/03/08-03/09/08

- Horses on Vet List 13
- Horses off Vet List **20**
- Shock Wave Therapy 31
- Deceased 1

SUMMARY

	Thur. 06Mar	Fri. 07Mar	Sat. 08Mar	Sun. 09Mar	Mon. 10Mar		Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	1	0	0		1	4
Cal-Bred Races	1	0	1	0	0		2	47
Claims	3	2	4	4	1		14	171
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0		0	7
Inquiries	0	0	1	3	0		4	26
Refunds	4	7	6	7	7		31	306
Rulings	1	1	3	0	2		7	157

Respectfully submitted,

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Albert Christiansen, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

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