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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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WEEK 3-Sunday, January 9, 2010-Saturday, January 15, 2011

SUNDAY
01/09/11¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey MARTIN PEDROZA came to the office this morning to discuss an incident preceding the seventh race yesterday. Mr. Pedroza was observed using his whip on his mount during the post parade. He explained that the trainer wanted his horse to be on the lead but also took for responsibility for the violation. He was issued the following ruling:

LATS #024

Jockey MARTIN PEDROZA is fined **THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Whips-whipping during post parade) before the running of the seventh race at Hollywood Park on January 8, 2011.

Jockey VICTOR ESPINOZA came to the office this morning to discuss his ride in the second race yesterday in which his mount was drifting out during the stretch. He explained that he was trying to win the race and drifted out more than he intended. We explained that we believed he could have made a better effort and issued a warning.

01/09/11²

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race No changes; Refund \$592.00; Minus Pool \$1,956.92
2nd Race No changes; Refund \$416.00
3rd Race #3 Zazu – Stewards’ scratch, stake
#5 Plum Pretty – Stewards’ scratch, stake. Win only wagering

Refund \$7,211.80; Minus Pool \$18,704.33
 4th Race #5 Tropical Heat – Claimed – J. Carava, trainer
 6th Race #4 Bad Boy – Claimed – A. Soto, trainer
 Refund \$4.00
 7th Race No changes; Refund \$413.00
 8th Race #2 Stick to the Plan – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Bailey
 Refund \$494.20
 9th Race #5 Finality Philly – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande
 #8 Nothing to Fear – Stewards’ scratch, wouldn’t load on van
 #9 Glory Ride – Claimed – D. O’Neill, trainer
 Refund \$3,460.50

01/09/11³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	5,762	\$1,434,951.30
Inter-track	7,060	\$2,009,188.10
Out of state	n/a	\$3,019,106.28
Total	12,822	\$6,463,245.68

THURSDAY

01/13/11¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey EDWIN MALDANADO came to the office to review a race from Saturday. He was scheduled to appear Sunday morning but neglected to do so. He explained that he did not know where the “board” in the jockeys’ room was located and therefore didn’t know that he was supposed to appear. That excuse was plausible given that he is new to the colony but we explained future failures would result in fines. With respect to the second race on Saturday, he was cautioned to keep a straighter path in the stretch.

01/13/11²

PUYPE HEARING

Trainer MIKE PUYPE came to the office for a formal hearing into case number 11SA022 which was a complaint filed by the CHRB alleging a methocarbamol (robaxin) positive discovered in one of his runners. Mr. Puype explained that the horse had been treated with the medication but believed that it was far enough from the race that it would be out of the horse’s system. He has since changed his medication program with respect to this drug. Documentary evidence was submitted, oral testimony was heard and the hearing was closed for consideration. A ruling will most likely be published tomorrow.

01/13/11³

TRAINER MEETING

Trainer PETER MILLER came to the office this morning to review the last race from Sunday in which his horse seemed to suffer some interference. This was a race down the hillside turf course with the rail at 24 feet on the main portion of the course. This configuration creates a unique problem in American racing in that the inside lanes tend to disappear after crossing the dirt course. This point became clear to Mr. Miller after viewing all of the camera angles and should have been clear to his veteran jockey during the running of the race.

01/13/11⁴

SOTO MATTER

Trainer HERBERT SOTO came to the office this morning looking for help from the Board of Stewards in procuring money from jockey Joel Rosario for allegedly

bringing him to this country and getting him started in California. We explained that we would have Mr. Rosario contact him but beyond that, the matter appeared to be better left for civil court.

01/13/11⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES NAD REFUNDS

1st Race #1 Subtle Greek – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead
Refund \$1,650.95

3rd Race #3 Peacock Alliance – Claimed – M. Conlon, trainer
Refund \$39.00

4th Race No changes; Refund \$62.07; Minus Pool \$1,637.32

5th Race #2 Lula Talullah – Stewards' scratch, entered back
Refund \$948.00

6th Race #3 Swingin Jim – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Stead
#4 Figeac – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Jenkins
#8 Skellytown – Claimed – K. Mulhall, trainer
Refund \$476.44

01/13/11⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,578	\$798,329.30
Inter-track	5,529	\$1,394,788.80
Out of state	n/a	\$2,428,760.11
Total	9,107	\$4,621,878.21

FRIDAY

01/14/11¹

REYES HEARING

Jockey CHRISTAIN SANTIAGO REYES came to the office as directed this morning. He is scheduled to ride Sunday after serving a cumulative 66 days suspension for various rule violations. We wanted to impress upon him that our desire moving forward was to start afresh and to explain that the behavior that led to the numerous rulings should have been corrected during his suspension. He agreed and is looking forward to getting back to riding.

01/14/11²

SCRATCH MEETING

We met with the Mike Harlow (Director of Racing), Rick Hammerle (Racing Secretary), Dr. Rick Arthur (Equine Medical Director), Dr. Jill Bailey (Official Veterinarian), Dr. Dana Stead (Racing Veterinarian), and Dr. Tim Grande (Auxillary Racing Veterinarian) this morning to discuss what this group perceives to be an inordinate number of illegitimate veterinary scratches, specifically those for being sick. While sick scratches have averaged slightly more than one per day for the meet, various ways of preventing bogus scratches were discussed. Going forward, the regulatory veterinarians plan to require private veterinarians to provide more information regarding scratches, and we plan on referring the most dubious cases to the CHRB investigative staff for further inquiry.

01/14/11³

PUYPE RULING

The following ruling was published after consideration of Mr. Puype's case heard yesterday involving a methocarbamol positive (case number 11SA002):

LATS #025

Trainer **MIKE PUYPE**, who started the horse "BRUTALLY HANDSOME" in the fourth race at Hollywood Park on December 17, 2010, is fined **FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)*** pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843(a)(d)(Medication, Drugs and Other Substances-Methocarbamol).

01/14/11⁴

ORTIZ RULING

The following ruling was published when trainer ARTHUR ORTIZ neglected to register his horse for authorized bleeder medication in a timely fashion for his runner yesterday:

LATS #026

Trainer **ARTHUR ORTIZ** is fined **THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845(Authorized Bleeder Medication-late registration) in the fourth race at Santa Anita Park on January 13, 2011.

01/14/11⁵

FAILURES TO APPEAR

Groom **EDGAR ROLANDO FABIAN** and owner **JAY MICHAEL AVENATTI** were both suspended when they failed to appear yesterday for their scheduled hearings, cases 10OT025 and 10SA136 respectively:

LATS #027

Owner **JAY MICHAEL AVENATTI**, having failed to appear to respond to a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1489(a)(c)(Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License), is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Jay Michael Avenatti are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528(Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), Mr. Avenatti is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

LATS #028

Groom **EDGAR ROLANDO FABIAN**, having failed to appear to respond to a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1902(Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing) is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Edgar Rolando Fabian are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528(Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), Mr. Fabian is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

01/14/11⁶

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2 nd Race	#5 Lemon Drop Ridge – Claimed – K. Mulhall, trainer Minus Pool \$8,310.49
3 rd Race	#3 Separate Forest – Claimed – D. O'Neill, trainer
6 th Race	No changes; Refund \$34.00
7 th Race	No changes; Refund \$2.00

8th Race #3 Youvegotthatright – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Bailey
Refund \$174.10

01/14/11⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,351	\$768,404.60
Inter-track	5,126	\$1,323,295.70
Out of state	n/a	\$2,513,440.10
Total	8,477	\$4,605,140.40

SATURDAY

01/15/11¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey MATT GARCIA came to the office this morning to discuss his tardiness to the jockeys' room yesterday. While he did call for permission to be late, he was nevertheless required to be in the room one hour before his race's approximate post time. He said that it would not happen again.

Jockey DAVID FLORES came to the office this morning to review his ride in the fifth race yesterday, which he won, but he had to move some horses off of their paths in order to accomplish this. Near the quarter pole, Mr. Flores' horse was passing tired horses very rapidly, and found himself with no clear path. He therefore guided his mount through a narrow seam and pushed two horses out in the process. Mr. Flores was issued a warning, although Steward Chaney believed that suspension days were appropriate.

Jockey PATRICK VALENZUELA came to the office to discuss his ride in the second race yesterday in which we believed that he crossed in front of a rival before being entirely clear. While the other rider handled the situation quite well, we explained that this was too close by our standards. He agreed.

01/15/11²

MARTINEZ HEARING

Trainer RAFAEL MARTINEZ came to the office this morning to for a formal hearing into case number 11SA001 which embodied a complaint filed by the CHRB alleging violation of CHRB rules 1844 and 1866 for a phenylbutazone overage discovered in one of his horses that was working for removal from the veterinarian's list. Mr. Martinez explained that the horse had accidentally been treated twice. Oral testimony was taken, documentary evidence was accepted and the hearing was brought to a close. Due to his spotless medication record, Mr. Martinez was issued a warning permitted under certain conditions explained in the CHRB rule 1843.3.

01/15/11³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

3rd Race No changes; Minus Pool \$177.84
4th Race #8 Alphabet Cat – Late stewards' declaration, no show
#3 Irridescent Red – Claimed – J. Metz, trainer
Refund \$4,511.20
5th Race #10 Jazzman's Dance – K. Stra for N. Shinton (Double Jock Fee)
6th Race No changes; Refund \$3.00
7th Race No changes; Refund \$9.00
8th Race #8 Make Music for Me – Losing jockey mount for Chantal Sutherland
Refund \$28.21

01/15/11⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	9,970	\$1,960,311.60
Inter-track	8,385	\$2,591,513.70
Out of state	n/a	\$4,471,600.41
Total	18,355	\$9,023,425.71

WEEKLY SUMMARY

ATTENDANCE REPORT - The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

VETERINARIAN REPORT - WEEK of 01/03/11 – 01/09/11

Horses on Vet List 15
 Horses off Vet List 12
 Shock Wave Therapy 3
 Deceased 3
 Medication 6

SUMMARY

	Sun 01/09	Thurs 01/13	Fri 01/14	Sat 01/15	Week	Meet
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	1
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rulings	1	0	4	0	5	28
Refunds	7	5	3	4	19	61
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	1
Claims	3	2	2	1	8	33
Cal-Bred Races	2	0	0	0	2	16

Respectfully submitted,

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward