



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB
Santa Anita Park

To the California Horse Racing Board

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WEEK 7-Sunday, February 5, 2012-Saturday, February 11, 2012

SUNDAY
02/05/12¹

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

Daniel Vergara met with the Stewards to review the third race on Friday. Mr. Vergara was warned when on a tired horse it is important to maintain control going backwards. He promised to make a better effort in the future.

Victor Espinoza met with the Stewards to review the disqualification of his mount in the sixth race. After much review and discussion the majority (Steward Chaney dissent) voted not to penalize Mr. Espinoza. The majority's opinion was Mr. Espinoza made an adequate effort to correct the drift and the two other horses involved in the incident added to the interference. Ref. 02-04-12⁷

Joseph Talamo was in to review the start of the seventh race yesterday and was warned we expect better efforts in the future correcting his mounts at the start. He promised to do so.

Rafael Bejarano, along with Guild Representative Darrell Haire, met with the Stewards to discuss races on Friday and Saturday. There were no penalties involved, but Mr. Bejarano was warned he has made some poor riding decisions lately and if not corrected days may ensue. He stated he understood and would be more aware.

Mike Smith appeared to review the third race inquiry yesterday. Mr. Smith, while guiding his mount through a narrow hole, he left no room for error and caused another horse to steady briefly. He was informed we expect him to adjust in the future. He stated he would do so. Ref. 02-04-12⁴.

Corey Nakatani met with the Stewards to review the start of the seventh race. Mr. Nakatani pointed out his effort in the seventh, which the Stewards acknowledged. He was thanked for his opinion and was excused. Ref 02-04-12⁴

02/05/12²

BEJARANO RULING

LATS #034

Jockey **RAFAEL BEJARANO** is fined **ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers-failure to meet with the Stewards as directed). The above ruling was issued after Mr. Bejarano was informed of the penalty.

02/05/12³

KRIGGER RULING

The following ruling was issued after Mr. Krigger failed to get permission to be late to the jockey quarters. This penalty is on the heels of a previous warning. He was warned that a repeat of this practice would increase the fine. He stated he understood.

LATS #035

Jockey **KEVIN KRIGGER** is fined **ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1680 (Jockeys and Drivers to Report-failure to request permission to arrive late to jockeys' room).

02/05/12⁴

EARLY POST

Due to Superbowl Sunday the post time was adjusted to 11: 00AM. There were six rider changes and three late declarations; also, an unusual dead heat for fifth place in the SUPER HIGH FIVE finish which resulted in two payouts.

02/05/12⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race - No Changes; Minus Pool \$869.28

2nd race - #7 Pure Storm (Tr. R. Diodoro) claimed by Tr. M. Pender

3rd race - #3 Titian (Tr. D. O'Neill) D. Vergara replaced E. Flores (sick) CW 119
#5 Stone Hot (Tr. M. Jones) D. Flores replaced A. Quinonez (injured)

4th race - #2 Raggin Wood (Tr. R. DeLeon) M. Gutierrez replaced E. Flores (sick) CW 121
#9 Saturday Nite Wish (Tr. T. Blincoe) Veterinarian-injured paddock-Dr. Stead
Refund \$35,792; Minus Pool \$1,316.20

5th race - #10 Outlaw Kelly (Tr. P. Capestro) M. Gutierrez replaced E. Flores (sick)
Refund \$7.00

6th race - No Changes; Refund \$44.00

7th race - #5 Ashtar (CHI) Steward-stake
Refund \$860.60; Minus Pool \$45,031.00

8th race - #3 East Sky (Tr. E. January) Veterinarian-injured gate-Dr. Stead
#4 Directors Room (Tr. K. Nettles) Veterinarian-injured-gate-Dr. Stead
#8 Knucklebuster (Tr. R. Mandella) M. Pedroza replaced A. Quinonez (injured)
#10 Creative Writer (Tr. M. Jones) K. Krigger replaced E. Flores CW 122
Refund \$63,744.51

02/05/12⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	4,209	\$1,230,720.70
Inter-track	6,691	\$1,819,940.10
Out of state	n/a	\$3,794,132.76
Total	10,900	\$7,195,844.56

THURSDAY

02/09/12¹

TRAINER FILM REVIEW

Trainer Tim Yakteen met with the Stewards to discuss the third race on Saturday in which his horse was involved in an inquiry. Mr Yakteen felt his trainee was cost the opportunity at a better placing. All views were discussed and Mr. Yakteen

agreed to disagree with the Stewards' decision to not disqualify the other horse involved in the incident. Ref- 02-04-12⁴

02/09/12²

LITT FORMAL HEARING CASE #12SA037

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Joshua Litt for a violation of CHRB rule 1843 (a) (d) (Medication Drugs and Other Substances), 1844 C (1) (Authorized Medication), 1887 (a) (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse), for a level of 6.31 UG/ML of Phenylbutazone. Mr. Litt testified in a formal setting before the Stewards which was recorded by court reporter Barbra Weinstein, Investigator Jim Hamilton represented the CHRB. Mr. Litt stated he had no explanation as to how this overage occurred in his trainee "Sean S". Mr. Litt received an official warning pursuant to the CHRB Medication Guidelines (1844 c) as he had no prior violations of 1844(c) within the last three years.

02/09/12³

STUTE HEARING CASE #12SA050

A financial complaint was filed by Temecula Valley Equine Emergency Practice against trainer Melvin Stute pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule # 1876 (Financial Responsibility) for Veterinarian services in the amount of \$3,415.00. This was resolved after a financial agreement was signed by Mr. Stute and Dr. Doug Lawrence.

02/09/12⁴

STIEFEL HEARING CASE #12SA051

A financial complaint was filed by Temecula Valley Equine Emergency Practice against owner Jeffrey Stiefel pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule # 1876 (Financial Responsibility) for veterinarian services rendered in the amount of \$15,020.00. After much discussion Mr. Stiefel and Dr. Lawrence DVM agreed that \$11,500.00 would finalize the bill and the complaint was signed off.

02/09/12⁵

INQUIRY EIGHTH RACE (6 furlongs)-NO CHANGE

After the running of the race the Inquiry sign was posted to review an incident out of the chute and crossing the gap after the start of the race. Upon review of the videos the Stewards made the original order of finish official. It was determined that # 1 Castletown (Tr. T. Yakteen) made a left turn entering the main track, unseated jockey Alonso Quinonez, jumped the extension then chased the field without causing any more incidents. The Paramedics picked up Mr. Quinonez and returned him to First Aid. The horse was caught by the outrider after the race. Accident report attached.

02/09/12⁶

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race - #6 Boo Who Who (Tr. B. Abrams) Veterinarian-unsound-Dr. Grande Refund \$1,333.30
2nd race - No Changes; Refund \$ 21.00; Minus Pool \$8,248.20
3rd race - #2 Cherokee Gamble (Tr. C. Dominguez) Veterinarian-sick- Dr. Grande Refund \$442.10
5th race - No Changes; Refund \$ 1.00
6th race - #10 Brady Blue Eyes (Tr. M. Glatt) claimed by Tr. G. Sherlock Refund \$16.00
7th race - #4 Al Instante (CHI) (Tr. K. Nettles) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead Refund \$246.80
8th race - No Changes; Refund \$ 2.10

02/09/12⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,451	\$842,390.60
Inter-track	5,386	\$1,427,033.50
Out of state	n/a	\$2,811,676.88
Total	8,837	\$5,373,310.78

FRIDAY02/10/12¹**PENA HEARING CASE #12SA053**

The CHRB filed this complaint for an alleged violation of CHRB rule 1874 (Disorderly Conduct) against exercise rider Javier Pena. Mr. Pena admitted that he was angry with pony rider Carlos Alferec because he thought Mr. Alferec stole some of his personal items including a computer. In retaliation he admitted he entered Mr. Alferec's horse's stall and gave the horse's tail a bobbed cut, but stated he did not cut the mane which he was also accused of. Decision to follow.

02/10/12²**ACCIDENT POST-FIFTH RACE (6 ½ furlongs-turf)**

Following the race pulling up # 5 Oak Kye Why (Tr. J. Cassidy) stumbled and unseated jockey Martin Pedroza. After Mr. Pedroza refused treatment the Paramedics transported him to First Aid to be cleared to ride the remainder of his mounts. The doctor in First Aid recommended he be transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital for further evaluation. Mr. Pedroza was removed from the remainder of his mounts. Accident report attached.

02/10/12³**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race - #3 Wicked Landlord (Tr. R. Diodoro) C. Reyes replaced A. Quinonez (injured)

Refund \$ 990.00

2nd race - NO SHOW WAGERING

#2 Mavericks Gun (Tr. B. Koriner) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande

#6 Givimaway (Tr. R. Mandella) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead

Refund \$ 1,053.50

3rd race - #7 Candy's Sunrise (Tr. D. O'Neill) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead

#8 Risky Reward (Tr. J. Litt) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande

Refund \$ 1,069.70

4th race - #1 D'wildbunch (Tr. K. Mulhall) claimed by Tr. W.E. Morey

Refund \$ 22.00

5th race - #1 Ribat (Tr. M. Conlon) Veterinarian-unsound-Dr. Stead

#3 Tucky (Tr. J. Quinn) ambulance removed post race (turf)

Refund \$ 928.90

6th race - #4 Miles Heir (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. B. Spawr

Refund \$ 83.00

7th race - #3 Miss Becca (Tr. P. Eurton) DNF-lost shoe leaving gate

#8 Maggie McGowan (Tr. D. O'Neill) Steward-entered back

#9 Suances Flowers (Tr. D. Vienna) D. Flores replaced M. Pedroza (injured)

Refund \$ 1,684.50

8th race - #3 Traweek (Tr. R. Rosales) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande

#4 Run Charlie Run (Tr. D. Hendricks) J. Talamo replaced M. Pedroza (injured)

#7 Always Flirting (Tr. J. Avalos) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande

Refund \$ 696.00

02/10/12⁴**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	6,245	\$1,053,677.60
Inter-track	4,994	\$1,379,496.80
Out of state	n/a	\$2,785,962.29
Total	11,239	\$5,485,544.89

SATURDAY02/11/12¹**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Mike Smith and apprentice Eswan Flores met with the Stewards to review the fifth race yesterday. There were no penalties involved but the two riders were warned if they choose to drift to get closer to another horse there is a higher probability that an infraction could occur. It was suggested to both jockeys that in

the future if all stay straight it benefits everyone. They both agreed with the assessment.

02/11/12²

PENA RULING (ref. 02/12/12¹)

The following ruling was issued after Mr. Pena was informed of the amount of the penalty.

LATS #042

Exercise rider **JAVIER M. PENA** is fined **THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1874 (Disorderly Conduct).

02/11/12³

MALANCHE SETTLED CASE #12SA044

The financial complaint (CHRB rule 1876) filed against George Malanche by trainer Jorge Alcala in the amount of \$10,328.64 was signed off after the two parties signed a financial agreement.

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FIRST RACE DELAY

Fourteen minutes before post time for the race the Stewards were notified that jockey Martin Pedroza had not been cleared to ride by the track doctor after his spill yesterday. The field was sent back into the saddling area from the walking ring and Joe Talamo was then listed to ride. It was discovered that Mr. Pedroza had made a trip to First Aid earlier and was told that the doctor had not arrived yet. When a jockey has to be cleared before he or she can ride the first race there is a very narrow window of opportunity to accomplish this service. After Mr. Pedroza was removed he went back to First Aid and by then the doctor was available to examine and clear him to ride the remainder of his mounts.

An informal meeting is scheduled for tomorrow with Vice President, Racing and Racing Secretary Rick Hammerle to discuss their plan to prevent this situation in the future.

02/11/12⁵

INQUIRY FIFTH RACE (1 mile-turf)-NO CHANGE

After the finish of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident into the first turn which involved # 3 Demonsterous (D. Vergara 11th) and # 10 Our Heat (C. Sutherland 2nd). Upon video review it was apparent that # 3 was rank and Daniel Vergara, while trying to gain control, veered out into and bumped # 10. Because # 10 beat # 3 there was no need for a change in the order of the finish and the race was made official.

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CAL-BRED REPORT

Four Cal-bred races were used during this reporting period.

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DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race - #2 Cardiff Giant (Tr. T. West) J. Talamo replaced M. Pedroza
(doctor unavailable to issue release)

#4 Buyer's Remorse (Tr. J. Carava) claimed by Tr. M. Anderson

#5 Maui Mark (Tr. K. Craigmyle) claimed by Tr. M. Glatt

2nd race - No Changes

3rd race - #6 Fleet Eagle (Tr. P. Capestro) E. Flores replaced A. Quinonez
(injured)

4th race - #5 El Merito(CHI) (Tr. M. Mitchell) ambulance removed post race-dirt
#6 Elusive Schemes (Tr. M. Glatt) C. Nakatani replaced A. Quinonez
(injured). Refund \$114.99

5th race - No Changes; Refund \$139.91

6th race - No Changes; Refund \$1,340.03

7th race - #1 Deputy Max (Tr. B. Koriner) E. Maldonado replaced A. Quinonez (injured)
Refund \$137.99

8th race - #4 Veloce Canzone (Tr. P. Biacone) Veterinarian-injured paddock-Dr. Stead
 #9 Pink Lollipops (Tr. B. Baffert) DNF ambulance removed (dirt)
 Refund \$19,785.02
 9th race - #6 The Usual Q.T. (Tr. J. Cassidy) Steward-stake
 Refund \$4,538.17
 10th race - #7 Sky Fox (Tr. B. Headley) D. Flores replaced A. Quinonez(injured)
 Refund \$12.80

02/11/12⁸

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	7,218	\$1,903,128.80
Inter-track	8,349	\$2,646,483.90
Out of state	n/a	\$5,306,921.33
Total	15,567	\$10,411,858.93

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 01/30/12 – 02/05/12

Horses on Vet List 12
 Horses off Vet List 10
 Shock Wave Therapy 13
 Deceased 1
 Medication 6

SUMMARY

	Sun 02/05	Thurs 02/09	Fri 02/10	Sat 02/11	Week	Meet
Inquiries	0	1	0	1	2	11
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	3
Rulings	2	0	6	1	9	42
Refunds	4	3	8	2	17	156
Accidents	0	1	1	0	2	9
Claims	1	2	2	2	7	103
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	2	0	4	31

Respectfully submitted,

 Tom Ward, Steward

 Kim Sawyer, Steward

 C. Scott Chaney, Steward

 Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward