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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, Inc.

Santa Anita Park

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Week 4 – Sunday, May 10, 2015 – Saturday, May 16, 2015

SUNDAY

5/10/15¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockeys, GARY STEVENS, TYLER BAZE, JOE TALAMO and VICTOR ESPINOZA met with the Stewards to review the second and eighth races yesterday. Mr. Stevens and Mr. Baze had a bump and drift in the stretch; Mr. Talamo was involved in a shift down the lane that involved an Inquiry in the same race (ref 5/09/15⁴). After a review and discussion, no one was held accountable for the incidents in the race. They were reminded to be more aware of drifts and to correct sooner.

Mr. Espinoza reviewed the contact coming off the turn in the eighth race yesterday. It was hard to determine if he initiated it, but he was warned to correct any drifts that occur in the future. He agreed to do so.

EDWIN MALDONADO also appeared, a day late, to review the start of the first race on Friday (ref 5/09/15¹). In a good discussion after a review of the race, Mr. Maldonado acknowledge better efforts should be made and he agreed to participate. A penalty for missing the films will follow.

5/10/15²

SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK HEARING - CASE #15SA122

A complaint was filed against Santa Anita Race Track for a possible violation of CHRB rule #1461 (Duty to Compile Official Program). Present were Racing Director MIKE LAKOW and V. P. of Racing /Racing Secretary RICK HAMMERLE. Mr. Hammerle stated the Racing Office made a mistake with the dates of the castration of the horse OIL when reported by trainer PETER MILLER. The horse was listed as a gelding, but this error caused the notation of the first-time gelding to miss the race program. This incident is credited to human error. Decision to follow

5/10/15³**BRAUGH HEARING - CASE #15SA127**

A financial complaint (CHRB rule #1876) was filed for Veterinarian NOLTON PATTIO against owner JANE BRAUGH in the amount of \$1,341.22 for services rendered. This complaint was withdrawn after confirmation that the bill had been paid in full.

5/10/15⁴**COPELAND HEARING - CASE #15SA0133**

A financial complaint (CHRB rule #1876) was filed for Veterinarian NOLTON PATTIO against owner LISA COPELAND in the amount of \$1,340.00 for services rendered. Ms. Copeland was available along with Dr. Pattio. Ms. Copeland has paid \$1,000.00 and will pay the remainder the first of June. Dr. Pattio accepted this agreement and the complaint was withdrawn.

5/10/15⁵**CORADO HEARING - CASE #15SA0134**

A financial complaint (CHRB rule #1876) was filed for Veterinarian NOLTON PATTIO against owner BLANCA CORADO in the amount of \$688.83 for services rendered. Ms. Corado was available along with Dr. Pattio. After conversation it was discovered Ms. Corado had paid her trainer HERBERT SOTO the fee owed to Dr. Pattio. The case was withdrawn.

5/10/15⁶**VOIDED CLAIMS**

After confirmation from Official Veterinarian TIM GRANDE, #1 JAN'S SPIRIT in the second race was placed on the Veterinarian's List, the claim was **VOIDED** and the horse returned to the stable of RICHARD BALTAS.

Also, in the fourth race after an examination, #6 OLMSTED was placed on the Veterinarian's List. The claim was **VOIDED** and the horse was returned to the stable of EOIN HARTY.

5/10/15⁷**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1 st race	No Changes	Refund \$24.00
2 nd race	#1 JAN'S SPIRIT (Tr. R. Baltas) claimed by Tr. V. Cerin VOIDED #5 STEALTH DRONE (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. P. Miller Refund \$1.00	
3 rd race	No Changes	Refund \$528.88
4 th race	#2 ATTACK (Tr. K. Desormeaux) claimed by Tr. R. DeLeon #6 OLMSTED (Tr. E. G. Harty) claimed by Tr. V. Cerin VOIDED Refund \$922.94	
5 th race	#1 ROCK SHANDY (Tr. P. Miller) Veterinarian – injured - Dr. Grande Refund \$3,454.44	
6 th race	No Changes	Refund \$20.00
7 th race	#2 THE MAN (Tr. B. Baffert) Steward - stake Refund \$585.90	
8 th race	No Changes	Refund \$0
9 th race	#1 FONZ (Tr. M. Pender) claimed by Tr. J. Periban #5 BROADWAY NIKA (Tr. G. Headley) claimed by Tr. O. Garcia #9 BALLADEER (Tr. R. Bean) M. Linares replaced S. Gonzalez (failure to honor call) #10 TITLED NOBILITY (Tr. R. Agarie) B. Pena replaced M. Garcia (sick) Refund \$35.80	

5/10/15⁸**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	8,069	1,391,932.90
SCOTWinc	5,701	1,746,349.00
Out of state + ADW	N/A	6,014,025.55
Total	13,770	9,152,307.45

NON-RACING DAY**MONDAY**

5/11/15

COUTON HEARING CONTINUED - CASE #14SA225 (ref 4/03/15¹)

Present for the continuance were, Jockey JULIAN COUTON, his counsel, SETH WEINSTEIN, representing the CHRB from the Deputy Attorney General's office, ROBERT PETERSEN and recording the proceedings, Court Reporter MICHELLE DERIEG. Supervising Investigator RICK AMIEVA was present as an observer. Mr. Couton's testimony was heard and the record was closed. Written closing briefs will be submitted after a transcript is made available. Decision to follow.

THURSDAY5/14/15¹**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey MODESTO LINARES met with the Stewards to review the start of the first race Sunday. After the break, Mr. Linares, allowed his horse to drift out. He was told the Stewards expect a faster effort to correct. He stated he understood and will do better in the future.

5/14/15²**BALTHAZAR RULING - LATS #107 - CASE #15SA0126**

The following ruling was issued after Mr. BALTHAZAR failed to appear for the scheduled hearing:

Owner DARWIN BALTHAZAR, having failed to respond to charges alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility – \$837.00 to DR. NOLTON PATTIO), 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 DARWIN BALTHAZAR are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), DARWIN BALTHAZAR is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

5/14/15³**TUSIA RULING – LATS #108**

The following ruling was issued after confirmation that the debt owed to EQUINE MEDICAL was paid in full:

Owner KARA L. TUSIA, dba 702 FARMS, having complied with the provisions of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility - \$958.34 to EQUINE MEDICAL and SURGICAL GROUP) is restored to good standing. Ruling LATS #093, issued at Santa Anita Park on April 30, 2015, is set aside.

5/14/15⁴**MALDONADO RULING – LATS #109**

The following ruling was issued after Mr. MALDONADO failed to be available for films with the Stewards. He stated he forgot and accepted full responsibility.

Jockey EDWIN MALDONADO 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 attend film review).

5/14/15⁵**STEPHEN RULING – LATS #110**

The following ruling was issued after Mr. STEPHEN took full responsibility for his jockey SANTIAGO GONZALEZ not fulfilling his obligation to ride the horse in question. Mr. Stephen gave a call to trainer ROBERT BEAN without consulting with jockey Gonzalez, who did not want to ride the horse.

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations), Jockey Agent CRAIG STEPHEN is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) for failure to handle his business in a proper manner (failure to honor call).

5/14/15⁶**GALLEGOS HEARING - CASE #15SA0135**

A financial complaint (CHRB rule #1876) was filed by the CHRB for Veterinarian NOLTON PATTIO against owner/trainer RUDY “JR” GALLEGOS in the amount of \$646.00 for services rendered. Dr. Pattio verified that a financial agreement had been reached and the complaint was withdrawn.

5/14/15⁷**GROSCOST HEARING - CASE #15SA107**

A financial complaint (CHRB rule #1876) was filed by the CHRB for SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EQUINE FOUNDATION, INC. against owner MIKE GROSCOST in the amount of \$451.61 for services rendered. This complaint was withdrawn after confirmation that the debt was paid in full.

5/14/15⁸**FARRIS CASE #15SA164**

The financial complaint filed by the CHRB for K C TRANSPORT against trainer VOD FARRIS in the amount of \$1,716.62 was withdrawn after confirmation that the debt was paid in full.

5/14/15⁹**KANAKARIS CASE #15SA132**

The financial complaint filed by the CHRB for EQUI AIR against owner DENNY KANAKARIS in the amount of \$896.61 was withdrawn after confirmation that the debt was paid in full.

5/14/15¹⁰**GOOD RACING**

The afternoon card was conducted without any reportable incidents. All changes are listed below.

5/14/15¹¹**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1 st race	No Changes	Refund \$13.00
2 nd race	No Changes	Refund \$286.49
3 rd race	No Changes	Refund \$1,035.38
4 th race	#1 SOFAST (FR) (Tr. G. Mandella) Steward - off turf	
	#4 HAWKEDON (Tr. M. Puype) Steward - off turf	
	Refund \$6,803.46	
5 th race	#1 SHOPPING SAVANNAH (Tr. P. Miller) claimed by Tr. D. O'Neill	
	#4 GARNISHEED WAGES (Tr. E. Kruljac) claimed by Tr. D. Hendricks	

6th race #6 BROUGHT TO JUSTICE (Tr. R. Lucas) Steward - track condition
 Refund \$1,687.69 Minus Pool \$713.14
 #1 CLEVER ROYAL (Tr. E. Truman) Steward - off turf
 #5 UNUSUAL TASTE (Tr. B. Abrams) Steward - off turf
 #9 TOSHEEN (Tr. J. Carava) Steward - off turf
 Refund \$11,200.68

7th race No Changes Refund \$460.64

8th race #4 MILTEE (Tr. S. Callaghan) Veterinarian - injured - Dr. Stead
 #9 UNUSUALLY BIG (Tr. T. Proctor) Steward - off turf
 Refund \$12,961.00

5/14/15¹²**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,359	598,430.10
SCOTWinc	4,099	1,272,409.70
Out of state + ADW	N/A	3,875,088.71
Total	6,458	5,745,928.51

FRIDAY
 5/15/15¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey FERNANDO PEREZ met with the Stewards to review the start of the third race yesterday. Mr. Perez's horse broke inward, marginally clear of the horses to his inside. He did make an effort to correct, but with a long rein which had no effect. He left the office with a warning. He did say he now understands what is expected in the future.

Jockey RAFAEL BEJARANO reported to the Stewards' office to review the first race on Sunday, May 10, 2015. The incident involved Mr. Bejarano turning for home sitting behind a horse with a horse to his outside. There was a bump between him and the horse on his outside. With the angle of the video available it was hard to distinguish which rider initiated the contact. The rider of the other horse, COREY NAKATANI, was unavailable; he is riding out of town. Mr. Bejarano left with a warning.

5/15/15²**DECKER RULING LATS #111 - CASE #15SA0135**

The following ruling was issued after WILLIAM DECKER failed to appear for the scheduled hearing.

Owner WILLIAM DECKER, having failed to respond to charges alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility – \$120.01 to Veterinarian NOLTON PATTIO), 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 WILLIAM DECKER are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), WILLIAM DECKER is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

5/15/15³**CLAIM VOIDED**

After Racing Veterinarian DANA STEAD placed the #2 SIR BARCLAY who pulled up in the seventh race on the Veterinarian's List, the claim was **VOIDED**.

5/15/15⁴**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1 st race	No Changes	Refund \$459.00
2 nd race	NO SHOW WAGERING	
	#2 BLACKFORD (Tr. R. Ellis) claimed by Tr. H. Palma	
	#3 AMERICAN ACT (Tr. M. Pender) Veterinarian – injured - Dr. Grande	
	#4 FAST MAST (Tr. M. Harrington) Steward - track condition	
	#6 BIRD E HOUSE (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed by Tr. M. Glatt	
	Refund \$1,129.20	
3 rd race	#5 FINNERTY'S FOLLY (Tr. V. Belvoir) Steward - track condition	
	Refund \$530.00	
4 th race	#1 TAKE BACK SPRING (Tr. K. Mulhall) Steward - off turf	
	#4 LOOKIN FOR MONEY (Tr. D. O'Neill) Steward - off turf	
	#5 CLEM JUICE (Tr. P. Aguirre) Steward - off turf	
	#8 WON'T BE SHAKEN (Tr. B. Koriner) Steward - off turf	
	Refund \$2,346.00	
5 th race	#1 CANDY FOR DEBBIE (Tr. T. Knight) claimed by Tr. D. O'Neil	
	#6 THE MAD HUNGARIAN (Tr. J. Gomez) claimed by Tr. P. Aguirre	
	Refund \$225.00	
6 th race	#2 ALL SQUARED AWAY (Tr. P. Miller) Steward - off turf	
	#4 FAST TRACK (Tr. M. Pearson) Steward - off turf	
	Refund \$2,661.17	
7 th race	#2 SIR BARCLAY (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed by Tr. R. Diodoro VOIDED	
	Refund \$133.00	
8 th race	#2 DANCING LUCY (Tr. T. Proctor) Steward - off turf	
	#6 HOUSEMAKER (GB) (Tr. D. O'Neill) Steward - off turf	
	#7 SHE'S REDDY (Tr. E. G. Harty) Steward - off turf	
	Refund \$1,933.50	

5/15/15⁵**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,410	673,702.80
SCOTWinc	5,104	1,637,012.10
Out of state + ADW	N/A	3,757,624.55
Total	7,514	6,068,339.45

SATURDAY5/16/15¹**MORROW CASE 15SA016**

After confirmation from ALINA MILAN dba SOFT NICKERS, EQUINE BODY WORKS, that Mr. Morrow paid the debt in the amount of \$270.00, the complaint was dismissed.

5/16/15²**SMOOTH SAILING**

The eleven race program was performed without a ripple. Any changes made are listed below.

5/16/15³**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1 st race	#3 SUMMER VAIL (Tr. M. Puype) claimed by Tr. A. Kitchingman	
	#5 WORTHY GRAPES (Tr. E. Kruljac) Veterinarian – flipped – paddock - Dr. Stead	
	Refund \$10,827.62	
2 nd race	#3 SUVA HARBOR (Tr. J. Sadler) Veterinarian – sick - Dr. Stead	
	Refund \$605.50	Minus Pool \$14,248.57

3rd race No Changes Refund \$149.00
 4th race #2 BLUSHING ANGEL (Tr. R. Baltas) Veterinarian – sick - Dr. Grande
 Refund \$763.12 Minus Pool \$764.70
 5th race #2 INK WELL (Tr. G. Stute) claimed by Tr. J. Wong
 #5 CARULLI (Tr. J. Fanning) claimed by Tr. R. Baltas
 Refund \$5.00
 6th race No Changes Refund \$6.00
 7th race No Changes Refund \$468.30
 8th race No Changes Refund \$173.30
 9th race #5 SUZY MALIBU (Tr. D. O’Neill) Veterinarian – injured - Dr. Grande
 Refund \$2,001.66
 10th race #3 SMALL TOWN COP (Tr. V. Belvoir) R. Bejarano replaced J. Talamo
 (2nd call)
 #13 FANCY SHOES (Tr. D. Hendricks) Steward - turf condition
 Refund #310.02
 11th race #4 WILD CAROLINE (Tr. M. Puype) claimed by Tr. R. Ellis
 #5 TURN ON (Tr. J. Hernandez) A. Quinonez replaced C. Aragon
 (unavailable)
 #14 SAY’S WHO (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed by Tr. R. Hess, Jr.
 Refund \$34.00

5/16/15⁴**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	18,468	3,269,242.00
SCOTWinc	14,938	4,943,372.80
Out of state + ADW	N/A	9,651,387.71
Total	33,406	16,864,002.51

VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 5/4/15 – 5/10/15

Horses on Vet List	11
Horses off Vet List	7
Shock Wave Therapy	18
Deceased	1
Medication	2

ATTENDANCE REPORT – A full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program. Safety Steward LUIS JAUREGUI replaced Steward SCOTT CHANEY for the week. DAVID NUESCH acted as Safety Steward.

SUMMARY

	Sun 5/10	Thurs 5/14	Fri 5/15	Sat 5/16	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	0	1	2	3	6	20
Claims	4	2	4	4	14	42
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	1
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	5
Refunds	2	8	12	5	27	68
Rulings	0	4	1	0	5	22
Voided Claims	2	0	1	0	3	4

Respectfully submitted,

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