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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 – Friday, January 6, 2017 – Sunday, January 8, 2017**

#### **WEDNESDAY**

1/4/17<sup>1</sup>

#### **ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Kim Sawyer was present to oversee entries and declarations for the third week of the Santa Anita Winter Meet.

#### **THURSDAY**

1/5/17<sup>1</sup>

#### **ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Scott Chaney was present to oversee entries and declarations for the third week of the Santa Anita Winter Meet.

#### **FRIDAY**

1/6/17<sup>1</sup>

#### **FILM REVIEW**

Jockey DRAYDEN VANDYKE came to the office today to review his ride in the second race on January 1. Video revealed that he used his crop at least four times in succession without giving his horse a chance to respond. Although he was not exactly using his crop in a strong manner, it is a violation nevertheless. We issued the following ruling:

#### **LATS Ruling #020**

Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)\* 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 – fourth offense in last 60 days; last offense on December 30, 2016), during the second race at Santa Anita Race Track on January 1, 2017.

Jockey TYLER BAZE came to the office to review his ride in the second race on Monday. Video showed that his horse was tiring badly while in third, Mr. Baze looked back and believed he was secure in third and therefore eased his horse a bit. Nearing the finish, he looked back again and realized that a horse was flying at the end, and started

vigorously hand riding his horse the last few strides in order to save the placing. He was unsuccessful and finished fourth by a nose. This incident created a dilemma for this Board. On the hand, Mr. Baze unquestionably cost his horse a placing but did so in a manner in which he was trying to take care of his horse and the wagering public. On the other hand, the new policy of the CHRB is to suspend riders for three days when their actions cost the horse a better placing. Our belief that a three day suspension was too harsh given the situation and therefore found no rule violation.

1/6/17<sup>2</sup>**MORFIN HEARING**

Exercise rider SALVADOR MORFIN came to the office pursuant to a security citation for being mounted on a pony without a safety vest. He explained that he had one on but, that it was obscured by clothing. Safety Steward Luis Jauregui explained that that was possible and therefore we issued a warning.

1/6/17<sup>3</sup>**FREEMAN FORMAL HEARING**

We held a formal hearing into case number 16SA212 which was a complaint filed by the CHRB against trainer EDWARD FREEMAN. The complaint alleged that after working for the Veterinarian to be removed from the Vet's List, a horse in Mr. Freeman's care tested positive for an overage of Flunixin. Given the large amount (187 ng/mL), Mr. Freeman hypothesized that the horse was inadvertently given the medication on the morning of the work. After taking evidence and testimony, we closed the record. Decision to follow.

1/6/17<sup>4</sup>**CORSER WITHDRAWAL**

San Dieguito Equine Group withdrew its complaint (case number 16LT0034) against owner MARK CORSER when the alleged veterinary bill was paid.

1/6/17<sup>5</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	#1 NORTHERN GREY – Claimed – D. Jacobson, trainer #5 SORRY ERIK – Claimed – K. Desormeaux, trainer Refund \$203.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#1 YUMIKO'S STRIKE - Stewards' scratch, track condition Refund \$446.50
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#2 SWEET DRAGON FLY – Stewards' scratch, track condition #4 WEALTHY SHIPMAN – Stewards' scratch, track condition #11 TALE OF PAPA NICK – Stewards' scratch, track condition #13 NOT TOO SHINY – Stewards' scratch, also eligible #7 MOLLY'S HONOUR – Claimed – K. Desormeaux, trainer #13 NOT TOO SHINY – Rider change – D. VanDyke for M. Smith Refund \$2,451.30
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	#4 RIGHT TO THE POINT – Stewards' scratch, track condition Refund \$627.35
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	#1 DELITEFULL LADY – Stewards' scratch, track condition #3 DOMINATING WOMAN -- Stewards' scratch, track condition #5 LASER – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Stead Refund \$2,221.80
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	#1 RECKLESS CHARM -- Stewards' scratch, off turf #7 JOURNEYONTHEMOVE -- Stewards' scratch, off turf #10 SPACE CADET -- Stewards' scratch, off turf #12 ANITA PARTNER (IRE) -- Stewards' scratch, also eligible Refund \$2,401.40
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	#6 DREAM TEAM – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Farmer Refund \$434.80

8<sup>th</sup> Race #8 THREE ECLIPSE – Stewards’ scratch, track condition  
 #3 MR. LOUIS – Claimed – J. Sadler, trainer  
 #6 SIZZLIN SQUARE – Claimed – R. Hess, Jr., trainer  
 Refund \$193.10

1/6/17<sup>6</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,360	\$712,800.20
SCOTWinc	4,919	\$1,439,873.70
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,876,630.86
Total	8,279	\$7,029,304.76

**SATURDAY**1/7/17<sup>1</sup>**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey JAMIE THERIOT came to the office to review his ride in the first race yesterday. We believed that he was too aggressive during the run down the backstretch in pushing a rival inwardly two paths. He viewed it as merely returning the horses back to their position after being floated out himself. After some convincing, he understood that this is not riding that is acceptable in Southern California and left the office with a warning.

1/7/17<sup>2</sup>**FREEMAN RULING**

Pursuant to the hearing held yesterday, we issued the following ruling:

**LATS Ruling #021**

Trainer EDWARD FREEMAN, who conducted an official workout for the horse MOONIE, on October 5, 2016 at Santa Anita Race Track is fined ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843(a)(d) (Medications, Drugs and Other Substances), #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) and #1844(c)(1) (Authorized Medication – Flunixin in excess of permitted level – 187 NG/ML).

1/7/17<sup>3</sup>**INQUIRY/NO CHANGE**

We posted the inquiry sign following the running of the third race to review the start of the #6 Warren’s Tricia R. (M. Pedroza) who reared up and lost his rider. Video revealed that the horse reared up on its own without outside influence and therefore should be considered a starter. (Accident report attached).

1/7/17<sup>4</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$1,070.00  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #3 BACK BEAUTY – Stewards’ scratch, track condition  
 Refund \$1,490.55  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #4 PRIZE EXHIBIT – Stewards’ scratch, stake  
 Refund \$1,765.00  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$278.00  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race #1 SHARP SAMURAI – Stewards’ scratch, track condition  
 Refund \$1,692.40  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race #2 CAPE WOLFE (GB) – Stewards’ scratch, off turf  
 #3 LOS GATOS -- Stewards’ scratch, off turf  
 #5 ZINVOR -- Stewards’ scratch, off turf  
 #6 NATIVE TREASURE -- Stewards’ scratch, off turf  
 #7 SIROCCO STRIKE -- Stewards’ scratch, off turf  
 #9 LABOUR (ARG) -- Stewards’ scratch, off turf  
 Refund \$4,399.54  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$1,500.00  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race #1 LADY TAPIT – Stewards’ scratch, track condition  
 #10 LITTLE DUME – Stewards’ scratch, track condition

#7 MY PALMILLA – pulled up, walked off  
Refund \$2,092.65  
9<sup>th</sup> Race #6 CONQUEST DADDYO – Stewards' scratch, stake  
Refund \$17,459.77

1/7/17<sup>5</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	7,492	\$1,388,712.60
SCOTWinc	5,682	\$1,803,376.00
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$6,824,095.37
Total	13,174	\$10,016,183.97

**SUNDAY**1/8/17<sup>1</sup>**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey VICTOR ESPINOZA came to the office to review his ride in the ninth race yesterday. Video revealed that Mr. Espinoza relaxed on his mount two strides before the wire potentially costing his horse the nose he was beaten for fifth position. Initially he argued that he didn't ease up but changed his argument to the fact that the horse took a funny step two strides before the wire causing him to ease up. The second argument was more convincing and he therefore left the office without penalty.

1/8/17<sup>2</sup>**HARRINGTON HEARING**

Trainer MIKE HARRINGTON appeared by telephone for a formal hearing into case number 16SA230 which alleged a phenylbutazone overage discovered in the post race blood sample of his runner – “Yodeler's Way” who finished second in the 3<sup>rd</sup> race at Santa Anita on October 10, 2016. Also present were the Board of Stewards, Safety Steward Luis Jauregui, CHRB Investigator Phil Miyazaki, and court reporter Michele Derieg. Mr. Harrington did not have an explanation for the overage (2.5 ug/mL) but instead stated that the horse was treated like every other runner in his barn. He was issued a warning as permitted under the penalty guidelines based on his license history.

1/8/17<sup>3</sup>**THOROUGHBRED STOCK EXCHANGE, LUTTON HEARING**

Sharla Sanders appeared on behalf on trainer DOUG O'NEILL who filed a financial complaint (case number 16LT0033) which alleged an unpaid training bill in the amount of \$3,096.20. The owner did not appear. A ruling will be issued Thursday.

1/8/17<sup>4</sup>**DEVIS RULING**

Owner ORLANDO DEVIS was suspended when he failed to appear for case number 16LT0036 which was a complaint alleging an unpaid vet bill:

**LATS Ruling #022**

Owner ORLANDO DEVIS, having failed to respond to a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility – San Dieguito Equine Group - \$497.45) 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 ORLANDO DEVIS are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend and Fine). ORLANDO DEVIS is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

1/8/17<sup>5</sup>**FRANKEL RULING**

Owner JON FRANKEL was suspended when he failed to appear for case number 16LT0037 which was a complaint alleging an unpaid vet bill:

**LATS Ruling #023**

Owner JONATHAN FRANKEL, having failed to respond to a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility – San Dieguito Equine Group - \$806.69) 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 JONATHAN FRANKEL are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend and Fine). JONATHAN FRANKEL is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

1/8/17<sup>6</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #1 CZARINA – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Farmer  
 #12 SALTEN SAPITY – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 #13 GOSEECAL -- Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 #14 DOMESTIC VINTAGE -- Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 Refund \$5,596.80

2<sup>nd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$24.00

3<sup>rd</sup> Race #3 ANTINANCO – Stewards’ scratch, track condition  
 #6 STORMING CANDY – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Farmer  
 #2 FOREST BLUE – Claimed – J. Mullins, trainer  
 #4 BOLITAR – Claimed – S. Knapp, trainer  
 #5 EL KOREANO – Claimed – E. Truman, trainer  
 Refund \$823.75

4<sup>th</sup> Race #4 CAL CAL LI GOWCHIS – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Stead  
 #6 MORE SUN – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead  
 Refund \$1,606.80; Minus Pool \$3,579.23

5<sup>th</sup> Race #11 LUCKY J LANE – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 #12 TRIBAL TRIBUTE -- Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 #13 IMAGE OF JOPLIN -- Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 #14 ACCELERANT -- Stewards’ scratch, also eligible  
 Refund \$2,918.20

6<sup>th</sup> Race #2 BROOKES ALL MINE – Stewards’ scratch, track condition  
 #1 MIDNIGHT CANDY – Claimed – J. Mullins, trainer  
 #5 AVICII – Claimed – P. Miller, trainer  
 Refund \$3,777.25

7<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$135.00

8<sup>th</sup> Race #2 SANDY’S SURPRISE – Stewards’ scratch, stake  
 #4 CARRIE -- Stewards’ scratch, stake  
 6 NOTED AND QUOTED -- Stewards’ scratch, stake  
 #7 GO ON MARY -- Stewards’ scratch, stake  
 Refund \$2,516.99; Minus Pool \$41,869.8

9<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0.00

1/8/17<sup>7</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	8,262	\$1,429,952.40
SCOTWinc	5,479	\$1,621,141.20
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$6,475,455.08
Total	13,741	\$9,526,548.68

**VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 1/2/17 – 1/8/17**

Horses on Vet List	17
Horses off Vet List	6
Shock Wave Therapy	22
Fatalities	0

**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.

**SUMMARY**

	Fri. 1/6/17	Sat. 1/7/17	Sun. 1/8/17	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	1	0	1	2
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	3	5	11
Claims	5	0	5	10	30
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	3
Inquiries	0	1	0	1	4
Refunds	8	9	8	25	73
Rulings	1	1	2	4	23
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	7

Respectfully submitted,

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C. Scott Chaney, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Grant W. Baker, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward