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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 14– Thursday, March 23, 2017 – Sunday, March 26, 2017

WEDNESDAY
3/22/17¹

DARK DAY DUTIES

Grant Baker was on duty to oversee entries for Saturday, March 25 and scratches for Thursday, March 23.

THURSDAY
3/23/17¹

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

Eduard Rojas Fernandez met with the Stewards to review his crop use in the ninth race Sunday. Mr. Fernandez used his crop while well out of contention. It was explained to him that if he has reached the horse's maximum placing, not to use the crop. He stated he would comply in the future, warning.

3/23/17²

CARDENAS FORMAL HEARING CASE #17SA0005 & #17SA00006

The CHRB filed complaints against exercise rider Jesus "Jesse" Cardenas for a possible violation of CHRB rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct). In attendance were counselors for Respondent Jesse Cardenas, Adam Reisner and Justin Silverman, representing the CHRB Investigator Phillip Miyazaki, Attorney Steve Schwartz, counsel for the following witnesses who testified, exercise rider Martin Ruiz, exercise rider David Meah and trainer Richard Baltas. Groom Ronald Glover testified on behalf of Mr. Cardenas and former Security Guard Gabriel Villafan testified for the CHRB. This case involved an alleged verbal argument and threats between Mr. Cardenas and Mr. Ruiz which occurred December 24, 2016 at Santa Anita Park in the barn area on horseback. It was

noted, Mr. Schwartz is representing Mr. Baltas, Mr. Ruiz and Mr. Meah in a civil action filed by Mr. Cardenas for wrongful termination. All testimony was recorded by court reporter Michelle Derieg, documents were submitted into evidence and the hearing was closed. Decision to follow.

3/23/17³**ALVEREZ HEARING CASE #17SA048**

The CHRB filed a complaint against pony rider Hugo Alvarez for a possible violation of CHRB rule #1902.5 (Animal Welfare). Mr. Alvarez was issued an outside pen for his pony horse via a Santa Anita stall application, but was not given space for his equipment necessary to perform his duties. Mr. Alvarez having no lodging or tack room, placed a small couch in the horse's pen and stacked his tack on top of it. Assistant stall superintendent Manny Solis testified along with Security Officer Peter Scimeca that Mr. Alvarez when once told to remove the contents from the pen, did so and then cleaned it properly. It was also reported he has not previously been a problem. Mr. Solis also stated Mr. Alvarez is properly attending to his duties on the back side. Decision to follow.

3/23/17⁴**GOOD RACING**

The eight race card was performed without notable incidents.

3/23/17⁵**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race #6 BEDEVILED (Tr. K. Desormeaux) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead
Refund \$3,061.20; Minus Pool \$2,771.81

2nd race #7 ZUZU'S PETALS (Tr. M. Pender) claimed by Tr. S. Knapp. Refund \$0

3rd race No Changes; Refund \$0

4th race No Changes; Refund \$0

5th race No Changes; Refund \$59.00

6th race #4 ROCKANTHAROS (Tr. P. Miller) claimed by Tr. A. Garcia
Refund \$81.50

7th race #3 LUCY DE (Tr. M. Puype) S. Gonzalez replaced K. Desmoreaux (injured)
#7 ALLOWANCES (IRE) (Tr. J. Cassidy) Veterinarian-injured- Dr. Grande
#8 ARETHUSA (GB) (Tr. D. Blacker) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Stead
Refund \$1,617.95

8th race #1 SHE'SALUCKYTHATWAY (Tr. S. Miyadi) Steward-entered back
#9 JUST BE HELD (Tr.S. Miyadi) S. Gonzalez replaced K. Desormeaux
(injured). Refund \$841.90

3/23/17⁶**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,930	\$550,327.00
SCOTWinc	3,597	\$1,063,077.50
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,080,384.27
Total	6,527	\$5,693,788.77

FRIDAY

3/24/17¹**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Iggy Puglisi and Rafael Bejarano appeared to review possible crop violations in the second and sixth race yesterday. After a review of both races, it was a unanimous decision that their actions were worthy of a warning.

3/24/17²**VOIDED CLAIM**

After an examination by Official Veterinarian Tim Grande of #1 MY FARMER in the first race the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List for unsoundness. This placement voided the claim and the horse was returned to the stable of Jesus Mendoza. In the seventh race #4 YAVRIG was examined and found to have bled from a nostril. The horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List, the claim was voided and the horse was returned to trainer Jorge Periban.

3/24/17³**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race #1 MY FARMER (Tr. J. Mendoza) claimed by Tr. C. Lewis
#6 TREADWELL (Tr. A. Saavedra) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead
Refund \$536.70

2nd race #1 TIZ THE LIGHT (Tr. R. Ellis) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead
Refund \$934.35

3rd race No Changes; Refund \$23.90

4th race #1 BIG ENERGY (Tr. T. Knight) claimed by Tr. C. Treece
#2 EDDIE'S FIRST (Tr. R. Diodoro) claimed by Tr. R. Trela
Refund \$1.20

5th race #4 MIDNIGHT HARBOR (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) claimed by Tr. M. Ruiz
#8 SUNNY DEE (Tr. G.F. Almeida) C. Lindsay replaced E. Maldonado (sick)
Refund \$0

6th race No Changes
Refund \$68.00

7th race #3 FORTHENINTEEN (Tr. J. Brocklebank) B. Pena replaced E. Maldonado
(sick)
#4 YAVRIG (Tr. J. Periban) claimed by Tr. S. Knapp
#6 WARREN'S HONEY BEE (Tr. J. Gutierrez) Veterinarian-unsound post
parade-Dr. Stead. Refund \$39,673.97

8th race No Changes; Refund \$937.60

3/24/17⁴**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,587	\$592,191.50
SCOTWinc	4,094	\$1,305,606.00
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,483,164.90
Total	7,681	\$6,380,962.40

SATURDAY3/25/17¹**LOPEZ HEARING CASE #17SA0057 PEREZ HEARING CASE #17SA0056**

The two complaints filed were heard at the same time involving hot walker Ambrocio Perez and groom Jose Lopez, both were alleged to have violated CHRB rule 1874 (Disorderly Conduct). The case involved the theft of a muck cart that actually left the grounds for two days and was then returned. Security Officers Michael Valadez and Byron Carter testified that their reports attached to the complaint were true. Safety Steward Luis Jauregui translated for both respondents and Safety Steward Paul Atkinson sat in as an observer. Courtesy of Santa Anita security cameras recently placed in the barn area, there was also a video of the incident. Decision to follow.

3/25/17²**ALVAREZ RULING ref 3-23-17³**

The following ruling was issued after the BOS came to a decision post hearing. The Stewards felt the incident did not rise to the level of CHRB rule #1902.5 (Animal Welfare), but instead found the following violation:

RULING #104

Pony Rider HUGO ALVAREZ is issued a warning pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting – failed to properly clean and maintain pony stall). Mr. ALVAREZ is further placed on probation for the term of his license.

3/25/17³**SMOOTH SAILING**

The nine race program was performed without a ripple.

3/25/17⁴**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race #7 FOREST BLUE (Tr. A. Saavedra) claimed by Tr. J. Mullins
#9 LABOUR (ARG) (Tr. M. Puype) Veterinarian-unsound post parade-Dr. Stead. Refund \$40,413.65

2nd race No Changes; Refund \$74.00

3rd race No Changes; Refund \$119.75

4th race #1 POSHSK (Tr. E. Truman) claimed by Tr. J. Brocklebank
#2 SKY PREACHER (Tr. R. Baltas) claimed by Tr. J. Sadler
#4 FRITZ JOHANSEN (Tr. P. Miller) claimed by Tr. M. Glatt
#7 EBADAN (IRE) (Tr. D. O'Neil) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande
#8 AMERICAN LEAGUE (Tr. M. McCarthy) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Grande
Refund \$1,833.00

5th race #2 BUY ME A DRINK (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) claimed by Tr. M. Ruiz
Refund \$18.00

6th race #4 LIZMEISTER (Tr. K. Mulhall) Veterinarian-injured in gate-Dr. Stead
Refund \$172,552.22

7th race #6 RED LIGHTING (Tr. A. Kitchingman) Veterinarian-Equine Herpes concerns in barn-Dr. Arthur. Refund \$471.60

8th race No Changes; Refund \$0

9th race No Changes; Refund \$0

3/25/17⁵**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	8,972	\$1,629,811.80
SCOTWinc	6,409	\$2,297,358.10
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,136,101.96
Total	15,381	\$11,063,271.86

SUNDAY3/26/17¹**JOCKEY REVIEW**

Tyler Baze met with the Stewards to review his crop use in the ninth race yesterday (San Luis Rey Stakes). After verification that Pegasus failed to attach the video of the race onto the DVD issued to the Stewards for AM race review with the jockey colony, Mr. Baze was excused due to lack of evidence.

3/26/17²**PAPAPRODROMOU RULING**

This ruling was issued after confirmation from Horseshoe Inspector Victor Tovar that he had to file off the toe grabs of Mr. Papaprodromou's entry which allowed the horse to start in the turf race. Mr. Papaprodromou was informed of the penalty before he left the holding barn.

RULING LATS #105

Trainer GEORGE PAPAPRODROMOU, who started the horse IRON ROB in the first race at Santa Anita Park on March 25, 2017 is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1853 (Examination Required – Improperly shod).

3/26/17³**BEAN RULING**

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

RULING LATS #106

Trainer ROBERT BEAN is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication – late bleeder registration of "Lil Lottie" who ran in the third race on March 25, 2017 at Santa Anita Park).

3/26/17⁴**GARCIA RULING**

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

RULING LATS #107

Exercise Rider ARMANDO GARCIA having failed to respond to a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1874 (Disorderly Conduct) and #1875 (Firearms) is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

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

3/26/17⁵**INQUIRY DISQUALIFICATION NINTH RACE 6 1/2 -dirt**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident near the 1/16 marker. Involved were #1 PASSED BY PAUL (R. Almanzo 1st) and #7 EDWARDS GOING LEFT (T. Baze 2nd). After a review of the video angles, conversation with the Patrol Judge and both jockeys involved, in a unanimous decision # 1 was disqualified and placed second behind #7. #1 drifted inward and pushed #7 off of its path costing the latter the opportunity of a better placing.

(1)-7-2-13-11-8-6-9-12-10-5-3-4

7-(1)-2-13-11-8-6-9-12-10-5-3-4

3/26/17⁶**VOIDED CLAIM**

After an examination of #4 BREEZING in the ninth race, Official Veterinarian Tim Grande placed the horse on the Veterinarian's List for unsoundness. The claim was voided by the BOS and the horse returned to the stable of trainer Jerry Hollendorfer.

3/26/17⁷**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race #2 SPANISH EYES (Tr. T. Yakteen) claimed by Tr. J. Hollendorfer
 #3 PUMPKIN STAR (tr. D. Blacker) claimed by Tr. J. Carava
 #4 UNCLE GRUMPY (Tr. E. Moger, Jr.) claimed by Tr. M. Glatt
 #5 MT. LEINSTER (Tr. G. Stute) claimed by Tr. B. Spawr
 Refund \$84.00

2nd race #3 GOLIATH'S GIRL (Tr. K. Castaneda) claimed by Tr. J. Hollendorfer
 Refund \$68.00

3rd race #1 WINNING CAUSEWAY (Tr. L. Ruiz) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Stead
 Refund \$874.70; Minus Pool \$616.83

4th race NO SHOW WAGERING
 #3 WARRENS'S JEN FIZZ (Tr. G. Gutierrez) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Grande
 #5 HAYLEY'S COMMENT (Tr. J. Periban) Veterinarian-unsound-Dr. Grande
 Refund \$1,116.90

5th race #5 ADORNED (Tr. E. Truman) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Grande
 Refund \$4,070.50

6th race #5 EILEEN SETTLE DOWN (Tr. B. Spawr) Stewards-dirt only
 Refund \$1,056.30

7th race #5 RUN FOR RETTS (Tr. S. Miyadi) Steward-stake
 Refund \$436.90

8th race No Changes. Refund \$0

9th race #4 BREEZING (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) claimed by Tr. M. Curtis - **VOID**
 Refund \$0

3/26/17⁸**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	7,125	\$1,261,146.80
SCOTWinc	5,871	\$1,900,141.00
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,810,315.37
Total	12,996	\$8,971,603.17

VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 3/20/17 – 3/26/17

Horses on Vet List 18
 Horses off Vet List 12
 Shock Wave Therapy 27
 Fatalities 1
 Medication 2

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

	Thurs 3/23/17	Fri 3/24/17	Sat 3/25/17	Sun 3/26/17	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	13
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	0	1	3	26
Claims	2	3	5	5	15	165
Disqualifications	0	0	0	1	1	13
Inquiries	0	0	0	1	1	28
Refunds	5	7	7	7	26	344
Rulings	2	0	1	3	6	107
Voided Claims	0	2	0	1	3	29

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Grant W. Baker, Steward

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward