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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 2 – Thursday, April 20, 2017 – Sunday, April 23, 2017

WEDNESDAY

4/19/17¹

ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES

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

THURSDAY

4/20/17¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT came to the office as directed to review his ride in the first race Sunday. We felt that he was pushing his way out to create a running path near the quarter pole. He explained that his horse was full of energy and he eased him out to make his run. He also explained when he made his move, the horse in front of him angled out a bit. We explained that this move was too aggressive because he affected two horses to his outside. Warning.

Jockey TIAGO PEREIRA came to the office to review his ride in the third race Sunday. Specifically, we believed that he used his crop more than three times (four) in succession without giving his horse the chance to respond. After viewing the video, he agreed and accepted the following ruling:

LATS Ruling #130

Jockey TIAGO PEREIRA is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* 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 – first offense in last 60 days), during the third race at Santa Anita Park on April 16, 2017.

Jockey JAMIE THERIOT came to the office to review his ride in the fifth race Sunday. We wanted to look at his effort in the late the stages of the race. While racing in fifth, he eased his horse in the final sixteenth and finished sixth. While his horse did not look to be traveling that well, we cautioned him to make better decisions. If the horse isn't sound, pull him up and jump off. If the horse is sound, continue riding to the finish. He seemed to understand.

Apprentice jockey JOEY MARTINEZ came to the office with his agent ERIC ARROYO. Both were seeking California licenses. Mr. Martinez has ridden one winner from 18 races on the East Coast and plans to begin riding in Southern California in the next few weeks.

4/20/17²**PEREZ/LOPEZ RULINGS (Ref: 3-25-17¹)**

After considering the evidence regarding case numbers 17SA0056 and 17SA0057 – the muck cart theft, we issued the following rulings:

LATS Ruling #127

Groom AMBROCIO PEREZ is suspended for TEN (10) days from April 24, 2017 through May 3, 2017 pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – theft of muck cart) on February 15, 2017 at Santa Anita Park. Furthermore Mr. Perez shall remain on probation for as long as he holds a license from the California Horse Racing Board.

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

LATS Ruling #128

Groom JOSE LOPEZ is suspended for TEN (10) days from April 24, 2017 through May 3, 2017 pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – theft of muck cart) on February 15, 2017 at Santa Anita Park. Furthermore Mr. LOPEZ shall remain on probation for as long as he holds a license from the California Horse Racing Board.

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

4/20/17³**GIBBS REINSTATEMENT**

We issued the following ruling after receiving evidence that the alleged underlying debt was paid in full:

LATS Ruling #129

Owner GERALD GIBBS has satisfied his financial responsibility to Kurt Hoffman, DVM (Veterinary Services - \$11,643.30). LATS Ruling #031 (January 16, 2017) is set aside and the license held by GERALD GIBBS is now restored to good standing.

4/20/17⁴**TAUB COMPLAINTS WITHDRAWN**

Veterinary groups vonBleucher, Blea and Hunkin Inc. (case number 17SA0068) and Southern California Equine Foundation (case number 17SA0067) both withdrew their financial complaints when owner STEPHEN TAUB paid the alleged bills.

4/20/17⁵**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race No changes; Refund \$70.00
 2nd Race No changes; Refund \$22.00
 3rd Race #2 AGENT NINE T NINE – Veterinarian scratch, injured
 Refund \$264.96; Minus Pools \$549.95
 4th Race #1 JILL MADDEN – Claimed – J. Bonde, trainer
 Refund \$4.00; Minus Pool \$6,319.38
 5th Race #10 A NEW TREND – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead
 #8 LOS GATOS – Claimed – B. Spawr, trainer
 #11 ROARING Rule – Claimed – H. Palma, trainer
 Refund \$596.78
 6th Race No changes; Refund \$142.00; Minus Pool \$277.52
 7th Race #5 HARBORED AFFAIR – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Grande
 #2 TRULY PONTI – Claimed – J. Thomas, trainer
 Refund \$387.72
 8th Race #11 AMAZON CITY – Stewards' scratch, also eligible
 #12 CALIFORNIUM – Stewards' scratch, also eligible
 Refund \$2,116.49; Minus Pool \$2.69

4/20/17⁶**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,779	\$501,468.30
SCOTWinc	3,549	\$1,069,636.10
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,284,425.28
Total	6,328	\$5,855,529.68

FRIDAY4/21/17¹**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey KYLE FREY came to the office as directed to review his ride in the first race yesterday. Mr. Frey is new to the colony so we wanted to have an introduction and go over the nature of his ride. We felt that he was a bit all over the place in the stretch run. He agreed. Warning.

4/21/17²**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race #1 ON DRAFT – Claimed – A. Marquez, trainer
 #4 LUCKY J LANE – Claimed – S. Knapp, trainer
 #5 I'MALREADYTHERE – M. Machowsky, trainer
 Refund \$143.20
 2nd Race No changes; Refund \$25.00
 3rd Race #4 ANTINANCO – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grande
 Refund \$1,106.49
 4th Race #6 FINALLYGOTABENTLEY – Claimed – J. Hollendorfer, trainer
 Refund \$89.86

5th Race #9 BUSTER DOUGLAS (BRZ) – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead
Refund \$466.99

6th Race #3 FERGUSON – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grande
Refund \$1,441.81

7th Race #1 MIZ STRAWBERRY DEE – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grande
#3 YODELSONG – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Stead
#5 ZUZU’S PETALS – Claimed – J. Mullins, trainer
Refund \$1,169.03

8th Race #8 CHO HAS ZIP – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grande
#13 RAGAZZA DI VOLA – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible
#14 AUSSIE ROCK STAR (IRE) -- Stewards’ scratch, also eligible
Refund \$558.25

4/21/17³**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	4,672	\$625,640.10
SCOTWinc	3,990	\$1,391,375.50
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,625,610.15
Total	8,662	\$6,642,625.75

SATURDAY4/22/17¹**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey KYLE FREY came to the office this morning to review his crop usage during the second race yesterday. He acknowledged that he struck his horse 4 times in succession without giving him a chance to respond and accepted the following ruling:

LATS Ruling #131

Jockey KYLE FREY who rode SEAQUET in the second race at Santa Anita Park on April 21, 2017 is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* 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 – first offense in last 60 days).

Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT came to the office to review his effort nearing the wire of the eighth race yesterday. It was the unanimous belief that he stopped riding a few strides before the finish and cost his mount fifth place. The majority, however, also questioned whether the video adequately demonstrated that belief and therefore voted for a warning. Steward Sawyer voted for a three day suspension.

4/22/17²**OBJECTION/NO CHANGE**

Jockey RAFAEL BEJARANO aboard second place finisher #5 Syntax (IRE) claimed foul against the winner #4 Inordinate (C. Nakatani) for interference in the stretch of the fourth race. Video revealed that Mr. Bejarano’s mount actually caused the interference so after speaking to the patrol judges and both riders, we unanimously voted to make no change to the original order of finish.

4/22/17³**INQUIRY/NO CHANGE**

We posted the inquiry sign after the ninth race yesterday to examine an incident in which seventh place finisher #10 Swift Lady steadied sharply in the final sixteenth. Video revealed that third place finisher #8 Smoove It (T. Pereira) lugs in and causes #10 to steady. However, after speaking with the patrol judges and riders involved, we

unanimously elected to make no change because #10 was not cost the opportunity of a better placing.

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DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race #1 ZURI CHOP (FR) – Claimed – V. Cerin, trainer
#4 GUGGENHEIM – Claimed – R. Diodoro, trainer
Refund \$473.00

2nd Race #5 STONEYS MR. CRUISER – Stewards' scratch, horse ID
#3 NATIVE TREASURE – Claimed – H. Palma, trainer
Refund \$530.84; Minus Pool \$1,378.79

3rd Race #2 MISS BLISS – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Stead
#5 WARRENSDOLLARSIGN – Claimed – C. Treece, trainer
Refund \$1,171.74

4th Race No changes; Refund \$21.00; Minus Pool \$181.52

5th Race #8 WILBON – Claimed – S. Knapp, trainer
Refund \$55.10

6th Race #1 ACTION HERO – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande
Refund \$850.14

7th Race #7 MARCKIE'S WATER – resaddled when weight fell out of saddle in
paddock. Refund \$11,760.74

8th Race #2 CUPID – Late veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande
Refund \$28,026.47; Minus Pool \$2,236.71

9th Race No changes; Refund \$0

10th Race #1 LIBERATION – Rider change – R. Alamanza for B. Pena (injured)
Refund \$0

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DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	10,061	\$1,648,847.70
SCOTWinc	6,240	\$2,263,523.30
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,647,954.89
Total	16,301	\$11,560,325.89

SUNDAY

4/23/17¹

FILM REVIEW

After being placed on the board for a possible crop violation, jockey EDWIN MALDONADO called, acknowledged the violation and asked permission not to attend review. That was granted and we issued the following ruling:

LATS Ruling #132

Jockey EDWIN MALDONADO who rode TRIBAL JEWEL in the sixth race at Santa Anita Park on April 22, 2017 is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* 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 – first offense in last 60 days).

Jockey RAFAEL BEJARANO came to the office to discuss his claim of foul after the fourth race yesterday. We believed that it bordered on frivolous and after he viewed the video, he thought so too. Warning.

Jockey TIAGO PEREIRA came to the office as directed to review his whip use during the ninth race yesterday. While his mount was lugging in and the subject of an inquiry, we felt that he did a fairly good job correcting the action, but used his crop four times in succession in the process. He felt that it was necessary to keep his horse from the inward move. We felt that the reins would have been a better method and issued the following ruling:

LATS Ruling #134

Jockey TIAGO PEREIRA is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* 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 – second offense in last 60 days) during the ninth race at Santa Anita Park on April 22, 2017 (last offense on April 16, 2017)

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MOREY RULING

We issued the following ruling when trainer WILLIAM MOREY presented his horse in the receiving barn yesterday with toe grabs for a turf race. The horse shoe inspector was able to grind them off but we nevertheless issued the following ruling:

LATS Ruling #133

Trainer WILLIAM E. MOREY, who started the horse CONIAH in the ninth race at Santa Anita Park on April 22, 2017 is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1853 (Examination Required – Improperly shod).

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DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1 st Race	#2 CARDIAC – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grande Refund \$1,170.76
2 nd Race	#2 MONTEREY SHALE – Claimed – G. Stute, trainer Refund \$0
3 rd Race	#4 DRAGON FLOWER – Claimed – D. Meredith, trainer Refund \$0
4 th Race	#4 PUMPKIN STAR – Claimed – M. Ruis, trainer Refund \$98.22
5 th Race	#7 KENCHO – Claimed – B. Spawr, trainer #7 KENCHO – Claim VOIDED – returns to K. Desormeaux, trainer Refund \$170.00
6 th Race	#5 PROHIBITION REPEAL – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande #1 ONE MORE ROLL – Claimed – C. Treece, trainer #4 SECOND PROPOSAL – Claimed – R. Diodoro, trainer #4 SECOND PROPOSAL – Claim VOIDED – returns to C. Lewis, trainer Refund \$2,686.46
7 th Race	No changes; Refund \$969.48
8 th Race	#4 RICHARD'S BOY – Stewards' scratch, sick Refund \$4,008.32
9 th Race	#4 ANCHOR BABY – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grande Refund \$649.55

4/23/17⁴**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	9,321	\$1,208,669.30
SCOTWinc	5,582	\$1,918,746.80
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,531,514.62
Total	14,903	\$8,658,930.72

VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 4/17/17 – 4/23/17

Horses on Vet List	19
Horses off Vet List	9
Shock Wave Therapy	25
Fatalities	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 4/20/17	Fri 4/21/17	Sat 4/22/17	Sun 4/23/17	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	13
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	1	1	4	44
Claims	4	5	6	4	19	230
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	15
Inquiries	0	0	2	0	2	34
Refunds	8	8	8	7	31	440
Rulings	3	1	1	3	8	134
Voided Claims	0	0	0	2	2	39

Respectfully submitted,

 C. Scott Chaney, Steward

 Grant W. Baker, Steward

 Kim Sawyer, Steward

 Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward

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