



**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**

**LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, INC.  
SANTA ANITA PARK**

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**WEEK 18 – FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2019, THROUGH SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2019.**

**WEDNESDAY**  
04/24/19<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRY DAY**

Steward Luis Jauregui was on duty today in the Stewards' office. The racing office was open today accepting entries for April 27, 2019. Nine races were carded. Sixty-eight (68) horses are scheduled to start. Two (2) stake races are carded. They are the (\$100,000 Guaranteed) Crystal Water Stakes and the Grade 2 Santa Margarita Stakes (\$200,000 Guaranteed).

**THURSDAY**  
04/25/19<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRY DAY**

The racing office was open today accepting entries for April 28, 2019. Nine (9) races will be contested. Fifty-nine (59) horses are scheduled to start. The \$100,000 Guaranteed Singletary Stakes will be the feature race of the day and carded as the fifth race of the day. Stewards Luis Jauregui was on duty in the Stewards' office.

04/25/19<sup>2</sup>

**THURSDAY REDUCTIONS/PURSE INCREASES**

Santa Anita recently announced they will cancel the next five (5) Thursday programs. Racing Friday through Sunday until Memorial Day, May 27. The reduction in race days is due to a reduction in the horse population here at Santa Anita. Santa Anita also announced that all purses will be increased by \$10,000 for all non-stake races. The purse increase will be from tomorrow April 26, through Sunday, June 2. The increase will be evaluated for the final three (3) weeks of the spring meet.

**FRIDAY**  
04/26/19<sup>1</sup>

**ANNA MEAH RULING**

Receiving Barn personnel informed us that two (2) ANNA MEAH trainees were not registered to race on Lasix prior to entry time for the races on Sunday, April 21, 2019. The Stewards' allowed the late registration, however the following ruling was issued, in a unanimous decision.

**LATS RULING #082**

Trainer ANNA MEAH is fined EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$800.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication – late registration of CALIFORNIA COMET and MALIBU MOONLIGHT in the first and fifth races respectively at Santa Anita Park on April 21, 2019).

04/26/19<sup>2</sup>

**CHUCK TREECE RULING (REF: 4/19/19<sup>2</sup>)**

Trainer CHUCK TREECE was informed this morning of the penalty memorialized in ruling form below. Trainer Treece was placed on probation by Los Alamitos Stewards on August 17, 2018 (Ruling #186). This was issued following a formal hearing which was held for Mr. Treece on August 12, 2018, at Los Alamitos Race Course (REF: LA Minutes 8/12/18<sup>1</sup>). Ruling #186 will be sent back to Los Alamitos Stewards in order to adjudicate a possible violation of their ruling. In this Santa Anita decision Steward Baker dissented voting for a \$2,500.00 fine and a fifteen (15) day suspension. This ruling is a decision arrived at following a formal hearing (Case No. 19SA0042) that was held last week in our office at Santa Anita.

**LATS RULING #083**

Trainer CHARLES TREECE, who started the horse SEA GLASS, the first place finisher in the second race at Santa Anita Park on January 11, 2019, is fined FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887(a) (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843(a)(b)(d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), #1843.1(b) (Prohibited Drug Substance), and #1844 (f)(4) (Authorized Medication – Dexamethasone [50 pg/ml] in excess of permitted level of [5 pg/ml] – fourth offense in 365 days).

04/26/19<sup>3</sup>

**CESAR SALCEDO RULING**

Exercise Rider CESAR SALCEDO appeared in the Stewards' office after receiving a Santa Anita Park Violation Notice on April 21, 2019. Outrider Enrique Alferez issued the 'Notice' with the assistance of Santa Anita Security. Exercise Rider Salcedo failed to leave the racetrack when ordered to do so by Outrider Alferez prior to a renovation break. Salcedo admitted he disregarded the Outrider's orders. The track re-opened ten (10) minutes late due to the actions of Mr. Salcedo. The ruling below was issued.

**LATS RULING #084**

Exercise Rider CESAR SALCEDO is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers – failure to adhere to morning outriders instructions) on April 15, 2019 at Santa Anita Park.

04/26/19<sup>4</sup>

**CESAR SALCEDO RULING AGAIN**

Exercise Rider CESAR SALCEDO failed to appear as ordered to address a Violation Notice issued by Santa Anita Outriders' on April 15, 2019 on Sunday April 21, 2019. In a unanimous decision the following ruling was issued.

**LATS RULING #085**

Exercise Rider CESAR SALCEDO is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases not Covered by Rules and Regulations – failure to meet with the Stewards as directed) on April 21, 2019.

04/26/19<sup>5</sup>

**GEOVANNI FRANCO MEETING**

Jockey GEOVANNI FRANCO appeared in the Stewards' Office this morning after missing his four (4) scheduled mounts on Sunday 21, 2019. Jockey Franco was in West Virginia on April 20, 2019, to ride in the \$100,000 Charles Town Classic. He missed his return flight to Los Angeles out of Washington, D.C. (Dulles Airport). Two (2) of Jockey Franco's mounts on the day he missed here at Santa Anita had their pictures taken (finished first). The following ruling was issued.

**LATS RULING #086**

Jockey GEOVANNI FRANCO, who was scheduled to ride on April 21, 2019 at Santa Anita Park is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement).

04/26/19<sup>6</sup>

**OFFICIAL CHANGE**

Horse Identifier Jennifer Paige is off sick this afternoon after working this morning. Tamara La Croix will replace her and work today’s eight (8) race card.

04/26/19<sup>7</sup>

**SMOOTH CARD**

Today’s eight (8) race card went well as it was free of Stewards’ inquiries and/or jockey objections.

04/26/19<sup>8</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race Declaration #5 THANKS (Tr. R.B. Hess, Jr.) Injured – Will Farmer, DVM  
Refund \$1,375.13
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #2 RUBY TRUST (Tr. H. Zucker) claimed, A. Kitchingman, trainer
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #1 BULLION (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) claimed, M. Glatt, trainer – **VOID** –  
unsound
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #4 MIKE OPERATOR (Tr. V. Garcia) injured, Dana Stead, DVM  
Refund \$533.27
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race #1 HONEYMOONZ Over (Tr. D. Pederson) claimed Tim Yakteen  
#5 FAST COTTON (Tr. B. Koriner) claimed, J. Wallace, trainer

04/26/19<sup>9</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,479	\$491,734.14
SCOTWinc	3,875	\$1,273,325.97
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$3,934,477.81
Total	7,354	\$5,699,537.92

**SATURDAY**

04/27/19<sup>1</sup>

**SLAM DUNK RACING AND NICK COSATO (CASE No. 19SA0141)**

Trainer Michael Machowsky filed a complaint against SLAM DUNK RACING AND NICHOLAS COSATO for alleged violation of CHRB Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility). The cover page of this complaint reads as follows:

*Trainer Michael Machowsky alleges Slam Dunk Racing and Nicholas Cosato are in to him in the amount of \$3,216.00.*

Both parties appeared in our office today for this informal hearing. Mr. Machowsky currently does not have a stable of horses as he is working for Fasig-Tipton Sales Company. Testimony indicated that these two (2) longtime friends have not been getting along well as of late. While this informal hearing would not be considered disorderly both licensees took it upon themselves to throw some ‘verbal jabs’ at each other before shaking hands. Owner Cosato handed Machowsky a ‘ready-made check’ for the full amount owed in what was a Rule #1876 hearing (Financial Responsibility) that was somewhat unusual. Case withdrawn.

04/27/19<sup>2</sup>

**KENT DESORMEAUX FILM REVIEW**

Jockey KENT DESORMEAUX appeared in the Stewards’ office to review his ride aboard #1 HOLLY HUNDY who finished first in the eighth race on Sunday, April 21, which was contested at five (5) furlongs on the turf course. This was a pick-up mount for Jockey

Desormeaux who was replacing Geovanni Franco who missed his flight yesterday from Washington D.C.

The Stewards wanted to review two (2) incidents with Jockey Desormeaux:

1. #1 HOLLY HUNDY drifts out immediately after the start, in an action that led to rivals to her outside making contact with one another.
2. Approaching the far turn (3/8ths marker) #1 HOLLY HUNDY drifts out to the middle of the turf course slightly interfering with seventh place finisher #7 GALLANTLY STREAMING (IRE). The Stewards' unanimously ruled that both incidents, whether judged separately or in tandem, fell short of warranting a suspension. Warning issued.

04/27/19<sup>3</sup>

**FIRST RACE INQUIRY**

The Stewards' posted the Inquiry sign after viewing an incident in this race that was contested at one (1) mile on the turf course. Approaching the 1/8<sup>th</sup> pole second place finisher #2 DALLAS SKYLINE (Aaron Gryder) is racing in first position when he ducks out into the path of eventual first place finisher #4 HE WILL (Heriberto Figueroa) causing this rival to steady when forced out in mid-stretch and alter course to the inside. Third place finisher #3 TEQUILLA JOC (Agapito Delgadillo) was also involved in the inquiry, but was only mildly affected by the incident. Bottom line, the horse that was fouled (#4 HE WILL) won the race and that made the Stewards' decision much more facile as we all agree you can't do any better than a win.

The Stewards' spoke with all three (3) jockeys involved and received a patrol judge report. Unanimous decision. No change. Jockey Aaron Gryder was ordered to film review with the Stewards.

04/27/19<sup>4</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race Declaration #5 FLIP THE COIN JAN (Tr. A. Marquez) – Unsound-Will Farmer DVM Refund \$1,728.99
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race Declaration #1 DAHLIA AZUL (Tr. P. Visscher) Sick – Will Farmer DVM Refund \$311.74
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race Declaration #4 CIAO LUNA (Tr. G. Stute) Claimed, M. Puype, trainer  
#5 EMPRESS OF LOV (Tr. R. Ellis) Claimed, C. Dollase, trainer
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #4 TWO THIRTY FIVE (Tr. R. Baltas) Sick – Dana Stead DVM Refund \$597.98
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race #5 TRUE VALIDITY (Tr. P. D'Amato) Claimed, A. Lerner, trainer
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #3 LAZZAM (GB) (Tr. V. Garcia) Unsound – Will Farmer DVM Refund \$1,824.32
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #5 WITHHOLDING INFO (Tr. B. Baffert) Stake-Stewards Refund \$3,300.34; Minus Pool \$275.25
- 9<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #1 ROYAL BLUE GRASS (Tr. J. Hernandez) Starters List -LA - Stewards  
#5 LOVE AND HOLD (Tr. Bradvica) Sick – Will Farmer DVM  
#8 CALDER VALE (Tr. R. Zamora) Injured – Will Farmer DVM  
Refund Total \$4,138.48

04/27/19<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	7,696	\$1,393,339.32
SCOTWinc	5,935	\$2,181,288.14
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,796,112.47
Total	13,631	\$9,370,739.93

SUNDAY  
04/28/19<sup>1</sup>

**GARY STUTE RULING**

**LATS RULING #087**

Trainer GARY STUTE, who was scheduled to start FAST AS CASS in the sixth race on April 28, 2019, at Santa Anita Park, is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – trainer decision).

Trainer Gary Stute told the Stewards that he wished to scratch his trainee FAST AS CASS who was in a six (6) horse field in the sixth race today (Sunday, April 28). In a unanimous decision the ruling above was issued.

04/28/19<sup>2</sup>

**JOSE RODRIGO OROZCO VIOLATION NOTICE**

Exercise Rider Jose Orozco appeared in our office today after being cited by Santa Anita Morning Outrider Enrique Alferez during training hours on April 24. Safety Steward Ron Church and Track Veterinarian Dr. Stead testified during this informal hearing. Mr. Church and Dr. Stead told the Stewards that Mr. Orozco used his riding crop three (3) or four (4) times during a morning workout for Trainer Jeff Bonde. Santa Anita does not allow use of the riding crop except for safety purposes, The Stewards felt Exercise Rider Orozco did not violate any CHRB rules so the matter was referred to Santa Anita Vice-President of Racing Steve Lym for further examination.

04/28/19<sup>3</sup>

**AARON GRYDER FILM REVIEW ( REF: 4/27/19<sup>3</sup>)**

Jockey Aaron Gryder appeared in the Stewards' office to review his ride in yesterday's first race. Jockey Gryder was aboard #2 DALLAS SKYLINE, who finished second in this one (1) mile turf event. Film review shows Jockey Gryder use his left handed riding crop and then continue to hand ride (before correcting) while on a drift. First place finisher #4 HE WILL (Heriberto Figueroa) was forced to 'check' his mount off of heels. Third place finisher #3 TEQUILLA JOE was affected only slightly. Jockey Gryder told the Stewards he could have done a 'better job'. Jockey Gryder was in our office for a film review last week (REF: 4/20/19<sup>2</sup>) for an incident in separate which he received a warning. In a majority vote (Steward Baker dissent – 3 day suspension) Jockey Gryder was issued a warning for this ride.

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**SMOOTH CARD**

Today's nine (9) race card went well as it was free of Stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

04/28/19<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race Ownership Change	#3 MORGAN'S HUMOR should read Lindop, Garcia, Garcia
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#4 PIONEEROF THE WEST (Tr. V. Cerin) claimed, G. Papaprodromou, trainer
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race Declaration	#6 JIMMY THE JUICE (Tr. R. Saldana) claimed, K. Craigmyle, trainer. Refund \$0
6 <sup>th</sup> Race Declaration	#3 FAST AS CASS (Tr. G. Stute) Did not want to run – Stewards. Refund \$389.60
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	Cancel Roulette Wagering
9 <sup>th</sup> Race Declaration	#3 GREAT MAR NERI (Tr. L. Ruiz) injured – Will Farmer DVM Refund \$503.90

04/28/19<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	5,120	\$1,021,059.94
SCOTWinc	4,754	\$1,695,732.97
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,971,241.48
Total	9,874	\$7,688,034.39

**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.

**SANTA ANITA PARK - VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 4/22/19 - 4/28/19**

Horses on Vet List	13	Horses off Vet List	7
Shock Wave Therapy	7	Fatalities	0
Medication	0		

**SUMMARY**

	Fri 4/26	Sat 4/27	Sun 4/28	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	9
Cal-Bred Races	0	1	2	3	65
Claims	3	3	2	8	172
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	2
Inquiries	0	1	0	1	28
Refunds	2	7	2	11	394
Rulings	5	0	1	6	87
Voided Claims	1	0	0	1	32

Respectfully submitted,

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Grant W. Baker, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Ron Church, Safety Steward

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