



**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 25– FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2019, THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2019.**

**WEDNESDAY**

06/12/19<sup>1</sup>

**DARK DAY DUTIES**

Grant Baker was in attendance to oversee entries for Saturday and program changes for Friday that involved three rider changes and one declaration. All other routine matters were resolved.

**THURSDAY**

06/13/19<sup>1</sup>

**PROGRAM CHANGES**

Grant Baker was available to approve program changes for Saturday's nine race card. The changes consisted of five declarations and two blinker changes.

**FRIDAY**

06/14/19<sup>1</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

AARON GRYDER met with the Stewards to review the first race Sunday that involved a drift in the stretch. This is Mr. Gryder's fifth visit to the BOS office concerning possible riding infractions since April 20, 2019. This particular incident was not penalty worthy but he was informed he is skating on thin ice. He stated he understood and would not be back. Time will tell.

TIAGO PEREIRA met with the Stewards to review the use of his crop in the tenth race on Saturday. This BOS believed Mr. Pereira's persistent excessive use of the crop between the 3/8 pole and 1/4 pole without the horse responding violated the rule as listed in the following ruling. Steward Baker voted for a \$1,000.00 penalty.

**LATS RULING #118**

Jockey TIAGO PEREIRA, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(5) (Use of Riding Crop – persistently even though the horse is showing no response under riding crop), during the tenth race at Santa Anita Park on June 8, 2019.

06/14/19<sup>2</sup>

**BRIONES RULING**

The following ruling was issued after MR. BRIONES acknowledged his wrong doing.

**LATS RULING #117**

Exercise Rider MARCOS BRIONES, is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers – galloping on the rail) on June 4, 2019 at San Luis Rey Downs.

06/14/19<sup>3</sup>

**JOCKEYS’ OBJECTIONS / FIFTH RACE/ NO CHANGE / 5/8- turf**

Following the running of the race there were three jockey objections. The first involved #3 CAPTURE THE SEA (E. Maldonado 5th) who claimed foul against #7 YES I AM FREE (N. Arroyo 1st) leaving the starting gate. The Stewards’ opinion, #7 was clear while crossing over soon after the start. Through miscommunication it was later discovered Maldonado wanted to claim foul against #4 ROYAL SONG (B. Harvey 9th) which would be a moot point as #4 finished last. The second incident involved #1 ASANO (K. Desormeaux 6th) who claimed foul against #7 in the upper stretch. Mr. Desormeaux’s horse was lugging inward causing its own problems. The third objection involved #6 CARNIVOROUS (M. Gutierrez 2nd) claim of foul against #7 for an outward drift. This did occur, but Mr. Gutierrez drifted inward pushing #7 in several paths. The BOS felt all objections lodged were not justifiable.

06/14/19<sup>4</sup>

**VOIDED CLAIM**

After a physical examination of #7 YES I AM FREE who raced in the fifth, Official Veterinarian Tim Grande placed the horse on the Veterinarian’s List. The Stewards voided the claim and the horse returned to the stable of Steven Miyadi.

06/14/19<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, AND REFUNDS**

1st race	No Changes; Refund \$79.56
2nd race	No Changes; Refund \$172.00
3rd race	No Changes; Refund \$0.50
4th race	#6 NORTHRNDANCRSGHOST (Tr. S. Perez) Stewards. Refund \$55.76
5th race	#7 YES I AM FREE (Tr. S. Miyadi) claimed by Tr. V. Cerin <b>VOID</b> Refund \$219.56
6th race	NO SHOW WAGERING #2 HORSE GREEDY (Tr. J. Sadler) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Grande #5 LOMBO (Tr. P. D’Amato) Stewards #7 THE HARDEST WAY (Tr. R. Ellis). Refund \$951.50
7th race	#1 MOON KITTY (Tr. J. Carava) claimed by Tr. J. Sadler. Refund \$0
8th race	#5 LUCKY BRITE Eyes (Tr. M. Bellocq) Veterinarian-post parade-Dr. Stead Refund \$38,135.36

06/14/19<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,122	\$509,827.71
SCOTWinc	3,696	\$1,209,052.95
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,307,394.96
Total	6,818	\$6,026,275.62

**SATURDAY**  
06/15/19<sup>1</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

As directed, BARRINGTON HARVEY met with the Stewards to review the fifth race yesterday. The discussion revolved around the start in which he was overly aggressive placing his horse in a congested formation. This was deliberated and he stated he understood. Warning.

06/15/19<sup>2</sup>

**CASE 19SA0180 WITHDRAWN**

After confirmation that practicing veterinarian Melinda Blue was paid in full by owner MARTIN FIGUEROA the complaint filed was withdrawn.

06/15/19<sup>3</sup>

**VELEZ RULING**

The following ruling was issued after Mr. Velez acknowledged his mistake.

**LATS RULING #119**

Apprentice Jockey JORGE VELEZ, 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 second race at Santa Anita Park on June 14, 2019.

06/15/19<sup>4</sup>

**STARTER REPLACEMENT**

KEIL TRAVIS replaced Jay Slender as Starter today. Mr. Slender had personal matters to attend to.

06/15/19<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race #4 BIG SHANTY (Tr. J. Sierra) claimed by Tr. J. Metz. Refund \$21.50  
2nd race #7 KENJISSTROW (Tr. P. D’Amato) claimed by Tr. J. Carava. Refund \$0  
3rd race No Changes; Refund \$239.50  
4th race No Changes; Refund \$573.53  
5th race #3 EL HUERFANO (Tr. V. Cerin) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande  
Refund \$1,360.9  
6th race #7 QUERELLE (Tr. J. Cassidy) Steward-full field  
Refund \$774.30  
7th race #9 SIR EDDIE (Tr. D. Blacker) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead  
#10 SENDITLIKECHILLY (Tr. J. Wallace) claimed by Tr. V. Garcia  
Refund \$2,671.82  
8th race #2 PRODIGAL SON (Tr. D. O’Neill) Stewards stake. Refund \$435.00  
9th race #8 DULVERTON DARLING (N. Drysdale) claimed by Tr. A. Lerner  
Refund \$24.50

06/15/19<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	11,239	\$1,140,208.71
SCOTWinc	5,329	\$1,814,168.96
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,012,691.35
Total	16,568	\$7,967,069.02

**SUNDAY**  
06/16/19<sup>1</sup>

**WINGARD RULING**

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

#### **LATS RULING #120**

Groom JAMES WINGARD, having failed to respond to charges alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1489(a)(8) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License - marijuana) and #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation), 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 JAMES WINGARD are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), Mr. WINGARD is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

06/16/19<sup>2</sup>

#### **JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

NORBERTO ARROYO met with the Stewards to review the first race yesterday for two different incidents. The first was approaching the 3/8 marker wherein he drifted inward bumping a horse to his inside. He stated he was trying to push the horse in to save ground. He was told we expected no contact. Warning.

The second incident occurred inside the 1/16 marker that involved an inward drift that caused a horse to his inside to have to steady and lose stride. In a majority vote he was issued a warning, Steward Sawyer voted for a penalty.

Mr. Arroyo also reviewed the start of the fourth race concerning contact made with horses to his inside. He stated he scraped the inside of the gate at the break and could not correct the hard drift because he was off balance. He went inward for six strides until the horse straightened on its own. It was hard to believe a jockey of his talent could not recover sooner. He was given the benefit of doubt. Warning.

Apprentice JORGE VELEZ as directed met with the BOS to review the fourth race yesterday. Mr. Velez at the top of the stretch under a right hand crop drifted in making hard contact with a horse to his inside. As listed in the ruling below he was issued a four day penalty, the increase of days was due to a second offense in a sixty day period.

#### **LATS RULING #119**

Apprentice Jockey JORGE VELEZ, who rode MASTER RYAN in the fourth race at Santa Anita Park on June 15, 2019, is suspended for FOUR (4) racing days (June 23, 29, 30 and July 4, 2019), for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding – second offense in sixty days).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

06/16/19<sup>3</sup>

#### **CARDENAS RULING**

MR. CARDENAS was issued a security citation from Santa Anita for the use of his crop in the main track tunnel during morning training hours. Santa Anita Security Sergeant Valadez produced a video of the incident which was viewed by all. His penalty is listed in the following ruling.

#### **LATS RULING #121**

Exercise Rider JESSE CARDENAS, is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(1) (Use of Riding Crop – flank), during training at Santa Anita Park on June 14, 2019.

06/16/19<sup>4</sup>

#### **INQUIRY / DISQUALIFICATION / SECOND RACE / 4 ½ - dirt**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident near the 1/16<sup>th</sup> marker. Involved were #3 CAL'S GEM (A. Delgadillo 1st), #5 SCORING (R. Bejarano 2nd) and #6 MICKELSON (K. Desormeaux 3rd). Near the 1/16<sup>th</sup> marker, #6 between the #3 (inside) and #5 (outside) was squeezed and had to take up to avoid heels. The majority

believed #3 drifted out and caused the incident, Steward Sawyer felt #3 and #5 were both involved and a double DQ was in order.

ORIGINAL ORDER OF FINISH (3)-5-6-8-2-7-9-1  
 OFFICIAL ORDER OF FINISH 5-6-(3)-8-2-7-9-1

06/16/19<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race No Changes; Refund \$46.50  
 2nd race #4 ZIMBA WARRIOR (Tr. K. Desormeaux) Veterinarians-injured-Dr. Grande Refund \$695.85  
 3rd race No Changes; Refund \$278.30  
 4th race #3 AMERICAN CURRENCY (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead Refund \$1,712.63  
 5th race No Changes; Refund \$77.80  
 6th race No Changes; Refund \$168.30  
 7th race #7 SIBERIAN IRIS (IRE) (Tr. R. Mandella) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Grande Refund \$2,995.10  
 8th race No Changes; Refund \$0  
 9th race No Changes; Refund \$0

06/16/19<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	8,442	\$1,369,411.07
SCOTWinc	5,102	\$1,673,679.67
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$11,633,806.61
Total	13,544	\$14,676,897.35

**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: 6/10/19 - 6/16/19**

Horses off Vet List 7  
 Shock Wave Therapy 14  
 Fatalities 0  
 Medication 0

# SUMMARY

	Fri 6/14	Sat 6/15	Sun 6/16	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	11
Cal-Bred Races	3	2	1	6	99
Claims	1	4	0	5	233
Disqualifications	0	0	1	1	6
Inquiries	1	0	1	2	41
Refunds	7	8	7	22	541
Rulings	2	1	3	6	122
Voided Claims	1	0	0	1	41

Respectfully submitted,

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Grant W. Baker, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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Ron Church, Safety Steward

Attachments  
BOS: KS:dw

### JOCKEY/DRIVER ACCIDENT REPORT

Business and Professions Code Section 19481.3(e) provides that the stewards shall investigate and prepare a report regarding all on-track accidents involving jockeys that occur during the performance of the jockeys' duties. The investigation shall commence no later than the next live racing day and shall be completed expeditiously. Board Rule 1536, Stewards' Minutes, includes drivers in this requirement. **Upon completion of the report, it shall immediately be sent by facsimile or electronic mail to the Jockeys' Guild or California Harness Horsemen's Association (CHHA); the jockey/driver or his representative; the racing association; the horse owner; and the trainer of the horse the jockey/driver was riding/driving at the time of the accident.**

Name of jockey/driver & CHRB License No.: Tiago Pereira #315311

Name of horse owner & CHRB License No.: Benowitz Family Trust #905191

Name of trainer & CHRB License No.: Leonard Powell #261674

Name of horse & Tattoo No.: RATTLE #S05622

Race No.: 5

Date/time/location of accident: 6/9/2019 – 3:06 pm - Santa Anita Park

### DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT

Include circumstances of accident, likely causes and the extent of injury to jockey/driver, if any. Complete one Jockey/Driver Accident Report for each jockey/driver involved in an accident. A copy of each report shall be attached to the stewards' minutes in accordance with Rule 1536, Stewards' Minutes.

#2 RATTLE broke splay legged and stumbled badly at the break and unseated the rider. Jockey Pereira was evaluated on scene by the paramedics and transported to First Aid, where he was cleared by the track physician to ride his remaining mounts.

Jockey/Driver condition: Uninjured.

Horse condition: Uninjured.

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Prepared by: Ron Church

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

06/09/2019

Date report completed: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Distribution

- Jockeys' Guild/ CHHA
- Jockey/Driver
- Racing Association
- Owner
- Trainer

**Note: Attach original CHRB-201 form to stewards' minutes.**

**TRAINING ACCIDENT REPORT**

The stewards shall investigate and prepare a report regarding all on-track accidents involving exercise riders, or employees in a jog cart or sulky not engaged in a race, that occur during the performance of their duties. The investigation shall commence no later than the next live racing day and shall be completed expeditiously.

**Upon completion of the report, it shall immediately be sent by facsimile or electronic mail to the exercise rider/employee; the racing association; the horse owner; and the trainer responsible for the exercise rider/employee involved in the accident.**

Name of exercise rider/employee & CHRB License No.: Anna Meah #312073

Name of horse owner & CHRB License No.: DA Meah Racing #325892

Name of trainer & CHRB License No.: Anna Meah #316415

Name of horse & Tattoo No.: Vallestina #R20328

Date/time/location of accident: 06/11/2019 – 7:48 a.m. – Santa Anita Park

**DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT**

Include circumstances of accident, likely causes and the extent of injury to exercise rider/employee, if any. Complete one Training Accident Report for each exercise rider/employee involved in an accident. A copy of each report shall be attached to the stewards’ minutes in accordance with Rule 1536, Stewards’ Minutes.

The horse was on a routine gallop and nearing the 1/8 pole on the training track became startled and hit the outside rail, rearing up and unseating its rider. Exercise rider Meah was attended to by the Track Paramedics and transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital by the Arcadia Fire Department for further evaluation. Vallestina was vanned back to the barn.

Exercise Rider condition: Cuts to face and arms.

Horse condition: Cuts to right shoulder and left foreleg.

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Ron Church  
Prepared by:

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Signature:

05/11/2019  
Date report completed:

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Distribution</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Exercise Rider/Employee</li><li>• Racing Association</li><li>• Owner</li><li>• Trainer</li></ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Note: Attach original CHRB-201A form to stewards’ minutes.</b></p>
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