

California Horse Racing Board

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc.
Santa Anita Park, Arcadia, California
TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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Report for the Week of Monday, March 23, 2020 through Friday, March 27, 2020

TUESDAY
3/24/20¹

ENTRY DAY

Steward Luis Jauregui was on duty in the Stewards' office supervising entries for Friday March 27, 2020. Eight (8) races were drawn. Fifty-eight (58) horses are scheduled to start. Post time for this Friday afternoon card is 1:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
3/25/20¹

ENTRY/SCRATCH DAY

Steward Luis Jauregui was on duty in the Stewards' office overseeing entries for Saturday March 28, 2020. Nine (9) races were drawn. Seventy-one (71) horses are scheduled to start. First post for Saturday is 12:30 p.m.

Four (4) jockey changes and two (2) equipment changes were made for Saturday March 21. All the changes were activated after the 10:00 a.m. deadline.

THURSDAY
03/26/20¹

ENTRY/SCRATCH DAY

Steward Luis Jauregui was on duty in the racing office today overseeing entries for Saturday March 28. Nine (9) races are scheduled and seventy-one (71) horses are scheduled to start. Scratch time for Saturday March 21 was this morning on the racing office. One (1) scratch was activated after the 10:00 a.m. deadline.

FRIDAY
3/27/20¹

RACING CANCELLED

About thirty (30) minutes before first post (1:00 p.m.) Santa Anita management informed us that racing had been cancelled. Officials from the Los Angeles County Health Department ordered the closure due to the Covid-19 virus. It is not known at this time when racing will resume.

3/27/20²

MIKE SMITH RULING

After communicating with officials of The Equestrian Club (Riyadh-Kingdom of Saudi Arabia) for the last several weeks we issued the following ruling in a unanimous decision. The results of Mike Smiths' appeal in Saudi Arabia has now been determined and this reciprocal ruling involves three (3) separate violations that Jockey Smith was found guilty of on February 29, 2020.

LATS RULING #062

Following the rejection of an appeal made by Jockey MIKE SMITH regarding a decision made by the Race and Arbitration Committee, The Equestrian Club Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1484 (Evidence of Unfitness for License) the following ruling is issued acting in reciprocity with the decision by the Chairman of Stewards from the Equestrian Club, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

MIKE SMITH was issued eleven (11) suspension days for three (3) separate violations on February 29, 2020. He has served two (2) suspension days in California (March 6 and 13, 2020).

The following nine (9) suspension days will now be issued, April 10,11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25 and 26, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Grant W. Baker, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Ron Church, Safety Steward

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