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**Report of the Board of Stewards
 To the California Horse Racing Board**

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Report for the period Wednesday, August 11, 2010 through Sunday, August 15, 2010.

Wednesday

08-11-10¹ **EARLY DECLARATION – REFUND**

1st race: #2 MINER PIC (Tr. Ed Moger) sick
 Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly REFUND: \$ 373.80

08-11-10² **LATE SCRATCH – Second Race – REFUND**

#5 MEYDAN, trained by Lloyd Mason, was scratched by the stewards after the horse became fractious during the loading process, unseated jockey Juan Hernandez and ran off. The horse was loose for approximately five minutes and was finally corralled by the outriders near the 3/8. Neither horse nor jockey suffered any ill effects from the incident which resulted in a nine minute delay in the second race post time. The refund amounted to \$ 26,027.38.

08-11-10³ **STEWARDS' INQUIRY – Fifth Race – NO CHANGE**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to evaluate two incidents of contact between the place horse, #7 EX ANGEL ridden by Michael Martinez and the show horse, #4 FOUND IN DARK with James Wooten in the saddle. Both incidents were in the stretch run. After a thorough review the stewards affirmed the original order of finish.

Tapes showed that as the pair entered the stretch FOUND IN DARK came in and bumped EX ANGEL and a few strides further EX ANGEL stepped out and made contact with FOUND IN DARK. The stewards found each horse equally responsible. Both riders were ordered to view the race replays.

08-11-10⁴ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

SCF	1,223	\$ 150,785.40
NCOT	2,306	\$ 778,105.10
SCOT		\$ 316,861.40
Out of State		\$ 852,329.02
TOTAL	3,529	\$2,098,080.92

Thursday

08-12-10¹ **RULING NO. 7 – ARRIAGA**

Jockey Agent **JOSE ARRIAGA** is fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations) for failing to conduct business in the proper manner on Sunday, August 8, 2010.

The above ruling was issued after Arriaga named a rider on an open horse at the draw without the permission of the trainer.

08-12-10² **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

1 st race:	#3 PS DONNAS PRINCESS (Tr. Jose Gonzalez)	injured
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND: \$ 102.00
4 th race:	#6 THAINTY (Tr. Gloria Haley)	sick
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND: \$ 292.40
5 th race:	#1 PREMIERE FLYER (Tr. Nick Sloan)	sick
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND: \$ 411.70
8 th race:	#5 COWBOY HEART (Tr. Genaro Vallejo)	injured
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND: \$ 256.60

08-12-10³ **FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice jockey **Gustavo Ortiz** viewed the tapes of yesterday's sixth race with regard to his use of the whip during the stretch drive. Ortiz was in front until he was nipped at the wire by a horse closing on the outside.

Ortiz is on the learning curve and his riding skills are still being honed so he was cautioned to be more attuned to his mount and less forceful with the use of the whip. He was receptive to our input and promised to do a better job.

08-12-10⁴ **LATE SCRATCH – Second Race – REFUND**

For the second day in a row a horse got loose behind the gate during loading process for the second race and ran off. Today it was #2 AKOYA BEACH, a Richard Miller trainee, who unseated Pablo Flores and did a fast gallop from the 5/8 to the ¼. AKOYA BEACH was cornered without incident or injury and jockey Flores was unfazed by the incident. The episode caused an eight minute delay in post time. The refund amounted to \$12,695.40 for AKOYA BEACH and the show pool refund added \$7,445.72.

08-12-10⁵ **CLOSE CALL – Third Race**

Assistant Starter **Manuel Trujillo** escaped serious injury when he was kicked by #4 DEACON SPEAKIN as the horse was led in the starting gate. A hoof caught Trujillo in the stomach below his vest and knocked the wind out of him. He was attended to by the paramedics and after fifteen minutes was pronounced good to go.

08-12-10⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

SCF	1,031	\$ 119,813.80
NCOT	2,436	\$ 713,805.90
SCOT		\$ 243,389.80
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$ 552,396.30</u>
TOTAL	3,467	\$1,629,405.80

Friday08-13-10¹ **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

1 st race:	#1 DA BOMB (Tr. Andy Mathis)	sick
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND: \$407.80
3 rd race:	#3 VEILLIT (Tr. Steve Miyadi)	sick
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND: \$381.00
7 th race:	#3 POWERS LILSIS (Tr. John Martin)	sick
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND: \$187.10

08-13-10² **STEWARDS' INQUIRY – First Race – NO CHANGE**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to evaluate an incident at the 1/16 involving the winner, #3 FLYING GWEN with Michael Martinez in the saddle, and the place horse, #5 PIANO KITTY ridden by Russell Baze. After thoroughly reviewing the matter the stewards took no action with the placings.

The replays showed that FLYING GWEN stepped in just before the finish line and caused Baze to steady momentarily but PIANO KITTY was already passed by the fast closing FLYING GWEN and the incident had no bearing on the outcome. Martinez will review the tapes with the stewards in the morning.

08-13-10³ **STEWARDS' INQUIRY – Seventh Race – NO CHANGE**

The stewards initiated an inquiry to determine the cause of a spill at the ¼ which saw #6 AIR FAIR fall, throwing jockey Frank Alvarado. After reviewing the tapes of the race the stewards affirmed the original order of finish.

Tapes showed that AIR FAIR was racing inside of #7 FOXY BAILEY rounding the far turn approaching the ¼ when AIR FAIR suddenly collapsed, dislodging Alvarado.

Veterinarians Connolly and Gustafson were quickly on the scene and determined that AIR FAIR did not suffer from any external injury but rather died from internal causes. The early diagnosis was either a heart attack or a ruptured artery. A necropsy will be performed at U. C. Davis.

Alvarado complained of lower back pain and was taken to the hospital for precautionary x-rays which showed nothing broken or fractured. He was released to contend with considerable stiffness and bruising.

08-13-10⁴ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

SCF	1,098	\$	132,346.60
NCOT	2,948	\$	832,559.80
SCOT		\$	186,902.00
Out of State		\$	647,398.60
TOTAL	4,046	\$	1,799,207.00

Saturday

08-14-10¹ **FILM REVIEW**

Jockey **Michael Martinez** was present to review yesterday's first race in which his mount was the subject of a stewards' inquiry. Martinez let his mount drift in the last few yards which caused a rival to steady. The incident was not terribly serious but Martinez has a tendency to let his horses go off a straight course in the stretch and we admonished him not to wander down the lane.

08-14-10² **STEWARDS' INQUIRY / OBJECTION – Third Race – DISQUALIFICATION**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to review an incident just before the finish line involving the winner, #6 SURF CITY BRAT with jockey Abel Cedillo and the show horse, #4 CHEATIN COWBOY with David Lopez in the saddle. Lopez also lodged an objection against Cedillo for interference in the final strides. After a thorough review the stewards disqualified SURF CITY BRAT from first and placed him third behind CHEATIN COWBOY.

Tapes showed that SURF CITY BRAT drifted in during the final yards, took the path of CHEATIN COWBOY and caused Lopez to steady his horse. The incident in the stewards' opinion cost CHEATIN COWBOY the opportunity at a better placing as that horse was beaten only a nose for second. Cedillo will view the tapes of the race with the stewards in the morning.

08-14-10³ **LATE SCRATCH – Sixth Race – REFUND**

#4 I NEVER LISTEN, trained by Tim McCanna, was scratched on the advice of track veterinarian Dr. Robert Connolly as the field was warming up when he diagnosed the horse as off in the right front. On Vet's List. The refund amounted to \$47,941.08.

08-14-10⁴ **LATE SCRATCH – Eighth Race – REFUND**

#7 THUNDERPARK, trained by Gary Greiner, was scratched by the stewards in the interest of safety after the horse became fractious in the post parade and unseated jockey Barrington Harvey on numerous occasions. The horse was placed on the stewards' list and will need to school prior to re-entry. The refund totaled \$4,195.34.

08-14-10⁵ **JOCKEY OBJECTION – Tenth Race – NO CHANGE**

The objection sign was posted at the behest of jockey Julien Couton aboard the place horse #9 SILENTCRYSTALWATER who alleged the winner, #1 SHADY MARKET ridden by Michael Martinez, caused interference in the final strides. After a thorough review the stewards disallowed the claim of foul.

Tapes showed that Martinez allowed his mount to drift in during the final 1/16 and caused Couton to steady his horse. Although SILENTCRYSTALWATER was inconvenienced the stewards did not feel that she lost the opportunity at a better placing. Martinez will review the race tapes with the stewards in the morning.

08-14-10⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

SCF	1,386	\$ 212,800.80
NCOT	7,642	\$1,480,217.70
SCOT		\$ 464,362.00
Out of State		\$ 672,631.92
TOTAL	9,028	\$2,830,012.42

Sunday08-15-10¹ **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

1 st race:	#3 DJD FAMOUS SNOW (Tr. Miguel Gonzalez)	sick	
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND:	\$139.70
2 nd race:	#1 MY TOPPER (Tr. Duane Offield)	sick	
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND:	\$196.30
8 th race:	#10 JUSTOURIMAGINATION (Tr. Gloria Haley)	sick	
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND:	\$375.70
9 th race:	#8 GOLF WING (Tr. Gloria Buckridge)	sick	
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND:	\$ 57.40
11 th race:	#5 DAVID SINGLETARY (Tr. Cliff Delima)	sick	
	Track Veterinarian Robert Connolly	REFUND:	\$417.80

08-15-10² **CAL BRED REPORT**

None of the races written exclusively for horses bred or sired in California during the five day week received sufficient entries and all were called off.

08-15-10³ **FILM REVIEW**

Jockeys **Abel Cedillo** and **Michael Martinez** appeared to view tapes of yesterday's races in which their respective mounts were the subject of stewards' reviews. In each case the rider was unable to demonstrate a visible effort to prevent the interference caused by his mount and the following rulings were issued:

RULING NO. 8

Apprentice Jockey **ABEL CEDILLO**, who rode **SURF CITY BRAT** in the third race at the Sonoma County Fair (Santa Rosa) on August 14, 2010, is suspended three (3) racing days (August 22, 25 and 26, 2010) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to third; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding).

The term of this suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California.

RULING NO. 9

Jockey **MICHAEL MARTINEZ**, who rode **SHADY MARKET** in the tenth race at the Sonoma County Fair (Santa Rosa) on August 14, 2010, is suspended three (3) racing days (August 22, 25 and 26, 2010) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding).

The term of this suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California.

08-15-10⁴ **LATE SCRATCHES – LATE RACES – REFUNDS**

The afternoon’s twelve race program was running very smoothly until four late scratches in the final three races reduced the wagering interests.

In the tenth race, #6 LEWIZZY, trained by Alex Sywak, was declared when no rider would accept the mount after Julien Couton was unable to ride due to a pulled muscle suffered in an earlier race. The refund amounted to \$2,524.39.

Also in the tenth race, #8 LOVING UP ON ME. trained by Wendell McDaniel, was scratched on the recommendation of Dr. Connolly as the field approached the starting gate when he reported the filly was off on the left front. On Vet’s List. The refund totaled \$4,869.95.

Just prior to the eleventh race, official veterinarian Sidney Gustafson reported that #8 HIGHDEVILISH, trained by Alex Sywak, flipped while in the receiving barn. Gustafson recommended a scratch and the stewards complied. The refund was \$987.86.

As the field for the twelfth and final race was being loaded in the starting gate, #3 SYLVIE, trained by Jerry Weaver, became fractious in the gate and injured herself. Dr. Connolly recommended the mare be declared and the stewards activated the scratch. On Vet’s List. A total of \$40,658.24 was refunded to the public.

08-15-10⁵ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

SCF	1,642	\$ 260,122.90
NCOT	4,191	\$1,369,231.50
SCOT		\$ 574,892.90
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$ 742,733.88</u>
TOTAL	5,833	\$2,946,981.18

W E E K L Y S U M M A R Y

ATTENDANCE REPORT – The full Board of Stewards was in attendance each racing day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
11-Aug	1	2	MINER PIC	Moger	sick	Connolly	\$272.80
12-Aug	1	3	PS DONNAS PRINCESS	Gonzalez	injured	Connolly	\$102.00
	4	6	THAINTY	Haley	sick	Connolly	\$292.40
	5	1	PREMIERE FLYER	Sloan	sick	Connolly	\$411.70
	8	5	COWBOY HEART	Vallejo	injured	Connolly	\$256.60
13-Aug	1	1	DA BOMB	Mathis	sick	Connolly	\$407.80
	3	3	VEILLIT	Miyadi	sick	Connolly	\$381.00
	7	3	POWERS LILSIS	Martin	sick	Connolly	\$187.10
14-Aug	6	4	I NEVER LISTEN	McCanna	lame in post parade	Connolly	\$47,941.08
15-Aug	1	3	DJD FAMOUS SNOW	Gonzalez	sick	Connolly	\$139.70
	2	1	MY TOPPER	Offield	sick	Connolly	\$196.30
	8	10	JUSTOURIMAGINATION	Haley	sick	Connolly	\$375.70
	9	8	GOLF WING	Buckridge	sick	Connolly	\$57.40
	10	8	LOVING UP ON ME	McDaniel	lame at gate	Connolly	\$4,869.95
	11	5	DAVID SINGLETARY	Delima	sick	Connolly	\$417.80
	12	3	SYLVIE	Weaver	injured in gate	Connolly	\$40,658.24

VETERINARY REPORT**Euthanized / Died**

08-11-10 Red Reasons (Tr. Sheldon Paldanius) right front fetlock – fractured sesamoids; dirt, training (Pleasanton)

08-13-10 Isabelqa (Tr. Selwyn Lagrone) infection – left hind hock/pastern; in stall (Pleasanton)

08-13-10 Air Fair (Tr. Greg James) suspect internal disorder; dirt, racing

Veterinarian's List

There were twenty-six (26) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 11

Injured: 3

Unsound: 10

Bled: 2

There were eight (8) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 6

Injured: 1

Unsound: 1

Shockwave Therapy: There were no shockwave therapy treatments reported.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	121	\$28,143.50
Bakersfield	473	\$106,806.40
Eureka	0	\$86,967.40
Fresno	372	\$98,279.10
Fresno One Club	111	\$50,301.70
Golden Gate Fields	3638	\$1,093,703.40
Monterey	303	\$92,729.20
Pleasanton	1922	\$723,216.50
Sacramento	1270	\$442,250.40
San Mateo	3549	\$1,256,800.80
San Jose	1784	\$500,558.90
Stockton	1012	\$258,899.40
Tulare	243	\$57,164.90
Turlock	497	\$132,084.40
Vallejo	849	\$246,014.00
So. California		\$1,786,408.10
Out of State		\$3,457,489.72

	8/11	8/12	8/13	8/14	8/15	Week	Meet
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	1	0	1	3
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS	1	2	0	1	1	5	22
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	0	1	0	1	3
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	1	0	2	2	0	5	15
REFUNDS	2	5	3	2	9	21	54
RULINGS	0	1	0	0	2	3	9

Respectfully submitted,

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