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CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

SONOMA COUNTY FAIR

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Report of the Board of Stewards

To the California Horse Racing Board

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Report for the period Monday, July 29, 2019 through Sunday, August 7, 2019

GENERAL DATA:

Dates: Eight Days – Thursday, August 1, 2019 through Sunday, August 4, 2019 and Thursday, August 8 through Sunday, August 11, 2019.

Entries: Seventy-two to One hundred-twenty hours in advance

Scratch Time: 9:30 a.m. the next entry day

Post Time: 1:15 p.m. Thursdays, Saturdays & Sundays
2:15 p.m. Fridays

Wagering: Win, Place and Show wagering on every race

Exotic Wagering: All races - \$1 Exacta – Trifecta – Rolling Pick 3 – Pick 6
\$2 Rolling Double
.10 cent Superfecta
.50 cent Pick 4 (first 4 & last 4) – Pick 5 – Rolling Super High 5

Stewards: Representing the California Horse Racing Board – Ron Church, Will Meyers, Dennis Nevin, Richard Lewis – Safety Steward

Track Officials: Rebecca Bartling – Fair CEO
Stacey Lapham - Director of Racing
Robert Moreno - Racing Secretary
Linda Anderson - Assistant Racing Secretary
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Juan Meza - Track Superintendent
Pegasus Communications - Video Production
Vassar Photography - Track Photographer

Racing Officials: Steve Martinelli - Placing Judge
Morgann Schlessler - Placing Judge
Danny Winick - Paddock Judge & Film Analyst
Kenny Fowler - Patrol Judge
Myra Troske - Patrol Judge
Kenny Sjoldal - Clerk of Scales
Chris Lapham - Assistant Clerk of Scales
Gary Greiner - Horse Identifier
Todd Stephens - Starter
Tina Walker-Bryant - Clerk of the Course, Thoroughbreds
Lisa Jones - Clerk of the Course, Emerging Breeds
Agustin Rayas - Horseshoe Inspector
Melody Truitt - Clocker / Timer

Veterinarians: Sarah Sporer, DVM - Fitness / Race Veterinarian
Forrest Franklin, DVM - CHRB Veterinarian

Report for the period Monday, July 29, 2019 through Sunday, August 4, 2019.

MONDAY

07-29-19¹

DARK DAY – ENTRIES FOR THURSDAY

Steward Ron Church was on hand to handle any problems that might arise for opening day entries. Eight races – one mule and seven Thoroughbred races make up the card.

TUESDAY

07-30-19¹

DARK DAY – ENTRIES FOR FRIDAY/CHANGES FOR THURSDAY

Steward Ron Church was in to supervise changes for Thursday and handle any issues for second day entries. Eight races consisting of all Thoroughbreds are carded for Friday.

WEDNESDAY

07-31-19¹

DARK DAY – ENTRIES FOR SATURDAY/CHANGES FOR FRIDAY

Steward Ron Church was in to supervise Friday's changes and handle Saturday's entries. Nine races, one Mule, one Quarter horse and seven Thoroughbreds make up the card.

THURSDAY08-01-19¹ **ENTRIES FOR SUNDAY, CHANGES FOR SATURDAY**

All Stewards were on duty for opening day. Nine races – one Mule and eight Thoroughbreds races are on tap for Sunday.

08-01-19² **FRANKO RULING**Ruling No. 01

Trainer/Owner **DANIEL S. FRANKO**, who started the horse **RONSKY'S HOPE**, winner of the eighth race at Golden Gate Fields on February 17, 2019, is suspended Thirty (30) Days August 5, 2019 through and including September 3, 2019 and fined the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (a) (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (a) (b) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances: Gabapentin [Class 3] and Diclofenac [Class 4], in excess of permitted level, 49 ng/mL) and #1843.1 (b) (Prohibited Drug Substances).

Further, **DANIEL S. FRANKO** is placed on probation for (1) year from the date of the ruling. For cause Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00) of the fine is stayed provided **DANIEL S. FRANKO** has no Class 1, 2 or 3 medication violations during the term of probation.

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

The above ruling was issued following receipt of adoption of the Proposed Decision from the California Horse Racing Board on July 18, 2019. Trainer Franko appeared and accepted the terms of the ruling.

08-01-19³ **MONROY – RULING NO.02**

Jockey **FRANCISCO MONROY** who rode **DREAM PEARL** in the second race at the California State Fair on Sunday, July 28, 2019 is hereby fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (use of Riding Crop – used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond [third offense in the past sixty days]).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Monroy contacted the Stewards and accepted the fine. Mr. Monroy, who is a chronic violator of the “three strikes” rule had been doing well for over a month but got overzealous on this occasion.

08-01-19⁴ **FOURTH RACE – TRAINER OBJECTION – NO CHANGE**

Trainer Robert Lucas who trains fourth place finisher #1 MONCEROS lodged a claim

of foul alleging interference by second place finisher #3 CALIENTE SHUFFLE (Kyle Frey) entering the turn in this 5/8th turf race. After review, it was determined that no interference occurred. No change.

08-01-19⁵ **6th RACE – HORSE INJURED**

#6 BLACK SITE trained by Jonathan Wong went lame in its right shoulder near the 5/8th in this mile turf race. BLACK SITE was vanned off in the horse ambulance and euthanized at the Receiving Barn by practicing Veterinarian Steve Boyer, D.V.M.

08-01-19⁶ **PROGRAM SCRATCHES**

4th race: #4 CANDY CREW

Injured paddock – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.

(Tr. B. McLean)

REFUND: \$ 1560.78

5th race: #6 MARINO'S LAW

Injured – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.

(Tr. C. DeLima)

REFUND: \$ 109.01

08-01-19⁷ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

SR	2148	\$	116,573.69
NCOT	965	\$	378,853.90
SCOT		\$	116,081.50
<u>Out of State</u>		\$	<u>371,552.16</u>
TOTAL	3113	\$	983,061.25

Friday

08-02-19¹ **WONG RULING**

Ruling No.03

Trainer **JONATHAN WONG** is hereby fined the sum of One hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for failure to have the horse BLACK SITE properly shod when reporting to the receiving barn for the sixth race at the Sonoma County Fair on Thursday, August 1, 2019; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1555 (Duties of Horse-shoe Inspector) and #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting – No toe grabs allowed on turf course).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Wong was contacted and apologized for the mistake. Mr. Wong is at Del Mar and felt a lack of communication with staff was the problem.

08-02-19² **SECOND RACE – SUPER HIGH FIVE REFUNDED**

The Super High 5 was refunded when only four horses finished. After an early scratch reduced the field to five runners, subsequently #1 OH LADY OH (Catalino Martinez) was pulled up in the stretch and did not finish leaving only four finishers.

08-02-19³ **3rd RACE – CLAIM VOIDED**

The claim submitted by Trainer J.C. Selvester for the gelding MIRROR IMAGE was deemed void after State Veterinarian Forrest Franklin, D.V.M, reported him lame in the left front leg. MIRROR IMAGE was returned to the barn of Trainer Reina Gonzalez.

08-02-19⁴ **8th RACE – LATE JOCKEY CHANGE**

#1 CURRY FLURRY reared in the paddock unseating Jockey Irving Orozco. Dr. Joan Kazmar, M.D. examined Mr. Orozco and recommended he be replaced due to a twisted knee. Mr. Orozco was replaced by Jockey Francisco Monroy.

Dr. Kazmar felt that if Mr. Orozco ices the area for a bit that should be treatment enough. Mr. Orozco will be reexamined before being allowed to ride tomorrow.

08-02-19⁵ **PROGRAM CHANGES**

2 nd race: #4 ROBBERY IN PROGRESS	(Tr. S. Miyadi)
Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 2090.51
3 rd race: #4 ROCKET FUEL	(Tr. R. Amescua)
Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 170.10
6 th race: #2 IS THIS IT	(Tr. J.Wong)
Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 74.50

08-02-19⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

SR	3361	\$	227,639.43
NCOT	1740	\$	782,880.91
SCOT		\$	180,045.00
Out of State		\$	532,757.08
TOTAL	5101	\$	1,723,322.42

Saturday

08-03-19¹ **AMADOR RULING**

Ruling No.04

Jockey **SILVIO AMADOR** who rode **RONSKY'S HOPE** in the third race at the California State Fair on Sunday, July 28, 2019 is suspended five (5) racing days (August 8, 9, 10, 11 & 15, 2019) for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from second to third; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules – Careless Riding [second offense in the past sixty days]).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Amador appeared and reviewed the race in question from the last day at Sacramento. Mr. Amador let his horse drift needlessly into the path of a rival. He understood his mistake and accepted the penalty.

08-03-19² **HERRERA MISSES MOUNTS**

Jockey Hugo Herrera called to state that he was on the road but running late due to traffic congestion and thought he might miss the first race. As it turned out he missed the first and second races which cost him a win in the \$10,000 Quarter Horse Wine Country Derby. He arrived as they were going in the gate for the Derby. Mr. Herrera will make an appearance in our office for further explanation tomorrow. Jockey Herrera was replaced in both the first and second by Jose Dominguez.

08-03-19³ **6th RACE CLAIM VOIDED**

The claim submitted by Trainer Tim Bellasis for the mare CYLINDERS was deemed void after State Veterinarian Forrest Franklin, D.V.M. reported her lame in the right front leg. CYLINDERS was returned to the barn of Andy Mathis.

08-03-19⁴ **PROGRAM CHANGES**

8 th race: #5 GAELS WIN	(Tr. T. McCanna)
Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ see below

#9 FICANAS (GB)
 Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.
 9th race: #6 CHAPTER TEN
 Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.

(Tr. J. Sadler)
 REFUND: \$ 525.90
 (Tr. W. Delia)
 REFUND: \$ 104.00

08-03-19⁵

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

SR	3992	\$	348,608.40
NCOT	2588	\$	1,123,346.56
SCOT		\$	224,089.50
<u>Out of State</u>		\$	<u>476,349.42</u>
TOTAL	6580	\$	2,172,393.88

Sunday

08-04-19¹

PRECIADO RULING NO.05

Trainer **GUILLERMO PRECIADO** is hereby fined the sum of One hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for failure to have the horse **UR NOT MY PRESIDNT** properly shod when reporting to the receiving barn for the fourth race at the Sonoma County Fair on Saturday, August 3, 2019; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1555 (Duties of Horseshoe Inspector) and #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting – No toe grabs allowed on turf course).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Preciado appeared and apologized for not having the toe grabs filed off before bringing his horse to the Receiving Barn.

08-04-19²

DOMINGUEZ RULING

Ruling No.06

Jockey **JOSE DOMINGUEZ** who rode **COTTON CARTEL** in the second race at the Sonoma County Fair on Saturday, August 03, 2019 is hereby fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (use of Riding Crop –excessive use of crop).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Dominguez appeared and reviewed yesterday's second race. Mr. Dominguez apparently thought the rules for crop usage was different for Quarter Horses as he used the crop seven times consecutively in this four-hundred-yard race. He now understands the rule applies to all breeds.

08-04-19³

HERRERA RULING (Ref. 8/3/19²)

Ruling No.07

Jockey **HUGO HERRERA** is hereby fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement) on August 03, 2019 in the first and second races at the Sonoma County Fair.

The above ruling was issued after Herrera appeared and stated he should have left earlier to make his early mounts yesterday.

- 08-04-19⁴ **1ST RACE – SHOW WAGERING AND SUPER HIGH FIVE CANCELLED**
The late scratch of #4 COOPER'S DASH and #6 READ MY LIPS reduced this 350-yard mule race to four wagering interests which caused show and Super High Five wagering to be cancelled in accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1954 (Pari-mutuel Pools).
- 08-04-19⁵ **2ND RACE NO SHOW WAGERING**
The late scratch of #4 BAY AREA reduced the field to four wagering interests which caused the cancellation of show wagering in accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1954 (Pari-mutuel Pools).
- 08-04-19⁶ **LASIX MIXUP 4TH RACE – LATE SCRATCH**
#9 RED GLITTER was scratched on the recommendation of State Veterinarian Forrest Franklin D.V.M. after it was determined that the filly mistakenly received Lasix.

Receiving Barn employee Kelly Jackson took full responsibility for the error. Trainer Jerry Puertas was contacted by the Stewards and informed of the error and the decision to scratch the filly. Mr. Puertas was not happy to say the least. Racing Secretary Robert Moreno was contacted to see if there was anything management could do to aid in Mr. Puertas predicament. Ms. Jackson will visit the Stewards on Thursday.
- 08-04-19⁷ **Paddock Injury – 5th RACE**
#5 CAPTAIN D'ARTAGNAN flipped in the paddock. Dr. Sarah Sporer recommended a scratch of the Sergio Ledezma trainee because he hit his head. Scratch approved.
- 08-04-19⁸ **5th RACE INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**
The Inquiry sign was posted to review the reason behind #8 EL BEAUTIFUL (Francisco Monroy) bouncing off the inside rail near the 3/16th pole in this mile turf race. After review it was determined the colt ducked in on its own possibly reacting to a dry discolored area of turf.
- 08-04-19⁹ **8th RACE – CLAIM VOIDED**
The claim submitted by Trainer Quinn Howey for the gelding KLAY'S TURN was deemed void after State Veterinarian Forrest Franklin D.V.M. reported him unsound in the left front leg. KLAY'S TURN was returned to the Jonathan Wong barn.
- 08-04-19¹⁰ **NINTH RACE – INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – DISQUALIFICATION**
The Inquiry sign was posted to review the reason for #1 PERFECTUS, Jockey Hugo Herrera, going through the inside rail approaching the first turn of this mile turf race.

After review and talking to the Jockeys it was determined that #5 HI SKOOL SWEETHEART (Alejandro Gomez), running to #1 PERFECTUS immediate outside, was being a bit unruly and came in bumping #1 PERFECTUS into and through the rail. Originally it was thought that #9 SPRINGTIME DANCE (Kyle Frey) who was outside of #5 HI SKOOL SWEETHEART at the time may have played a part but this notion was dismissed upon careful review.

#5 HI SKOOL SWEETHEART was disqualified and placed unplaced for the interference.

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
01-Aug.	4	4	CANDY CREW	B. McLean	Injured-paddock	Sporer	\$ 1560.78
01-Aug.	5	6	MARINO'S LAW	C. DeLima	Injured	Sporer	\$ 109.01
02-Aug.	2	4	ROBBERY IN PROGRESS	S. Miyadi	Sick	Sporer	\$ 2090.51
02-Aug.	3	4	ROCKET FUEL	R. Amescua	Sick	Sporer	\$ 170.10
02-Aug.	6	2	THIS IS IT	J. Wong	Sick	Sporer	\$ 74.50
03-Aug.	8	5	GAELS WIN	T. McCanna	Sick	Sporer	\$ see below
03-Aug.	8	9	FICANAS (GB)	J. Sadler	Sick	Sporer	\$ 525.90
03-Aug.	9	6	CHAPTER TEN	W. Delia	Sick	Sporer	\$ 104.00
04-Aug.	1	4	COOPER'S DASHER	H. Shelley	Lame-post parade	Sporer	\$ see below
04-Aug.	1	6	READ MY LIPS	J. Orr Beach	Sick	Sporer	\$ 4162.76
04-Aug.	2	4	BAY AREA	J. Wong	Sick	Sporer	\$ 129.00
04-Aug.	4	8	RED GLITTER	J. Puertas	Lasix error	Stewards	\$ 442.70
04-Aug.	5	5	CAPTAIN D'ARTAGNAN	S. Ledezma	Injured-paddock	Sporer	\$ 1223.32
04-Aug.	6	5	UNION SMARTIE	T. Bellasis	Injured-paddock	Sporer	\$ 1880.34
04-Aug.	7	1	DESERT MYST	B. Galvin	Injured	Franklin	\$ see below
04-Aug.	7	3	MY SWEET LOU	S. Specht	Sick	Sporer	\$ see below
04-Aug.	7	8	MEET MISS KITTY	C. DeLima	Sick	Sporer	\$ 507.00
04-Aug.	8	4	CASH DRIVEN	Q. Howey	Sick	Sporer	\$ 112.70

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	\$	0
Banker's Casino	\$	0
Fresno	\$	107,752.00
Fresno Club		
One	\$	92,722.50
Golden Gate	\$	730,369.47
Monterey	\$	70,416.30
Pleasanton	\$	406,002.28
San Jose	\$	285,423.20
San Mateo	\$	772,310.94
Santa Rosa	\$	969,610.22
Stockton	\$	246,751.28
Turlock	\$	0
Vallejo	\$	200,913.08
So. California	\$	738,849.90
Out of State	\$	1,968,076.33

	01-Aug.	02-Aug.	03-Aug.	04-Aug.	WEEK	MEET
ACCIDENTS	0	1	0	1	2	2
CAL-BRED RACES	0	1	0	0	1	1
CLAIMS	1	5	4	7	17	17
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	0	1	1	1
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	1	0	0	1	2	2
REFUNDS	2	3	3	10	18	18
RULINGS	2	1	1	3	7	7

Respectfully submitted,

Will Meyers, Steward

Ron Church, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward