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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, February 25, 2008 through Sunday, March 02, 2008. Steward Michael W. "Wayne" Oke was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

02/25/08 (1) Entry and Draw for Thursday

The race office was open this morning, taking entries for Thursday, February 28, 2008. At twelve noon the draw was made with seventy-nine (79) horses drawn to compete in eleven (11) races. Scratch time will be Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

02/25/08 (2) Petrelli Hearing (Contraband)

A formal hearing was scheduled for today at 3:30 p.m. to address California Horse Racing Board complaint #07SW-0113. Mr. Petrelli appeared with his 'representative' David Shell.

When the hearing opened Mr. Shell immediately raised numerous objections citing lack of notice, failure to provide requested documents, lack of a witness list, etc.

02/25/08 (2) continued

After some, at times 'heated', negotiations, Mr. Shell agreed to provide a list of his specific requests to Senior Special Investigator Marty Snezek by Thursday, February 28, 2008 and Mr. Snezek agreed to provide Mr. Shell with the requested items by Thursday, March 06, 2008 and it was further agreed that the hearing would be continued until March 14, 2008 at 3:00 p.m., assuming that all of the agreed deadlines are met.

02/25/08 (3) **Second Race - Claim**

#2 "Mac Jonathon VP" was claimed from KC Carvalho by P. Miller and L. Pena for \$14,000.

02/25/08 (4) **Third Race Claims**

#2B "Garland Bot Joffee" was claimed from Owen Eiler Jr. by Legacy Solutions for \$3,000.

#5 "Seneca Falls" was claimed from R.J. Johnson, H.N. Mitchell and P.A. Mitchell by Owen Eiler Jr. for \$3,000.

02/25/08 (5) **Clean Card**

Monday's card was completed with no noteworthy occurrences.

02/25/08 (6) **Program Changes**

3rd Race Driver Change - #5 Gilbert Herrera for Ed Hensley
Race Office Error

8th Race Driver Change - #2 Lemoyne Svendsen for Ed Hensley
Race Office Error

8th Race Program Correction - #4 "Split The Bill"
Should Read First Time Lasix

02/25/08 (7) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	218
Live Handle (On Track)	\$35,950
Handle (In State)	\$235,365
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$182,500</u>
Total Handle	\$453,815

Tuesday

02/26/08 (1) **Draw for Friday and Saturday**

The race office was open, taking entries for Friday, February 29, 2008 and Saturday, March 01, 2008. The box closed at 9:00 a.m.

At 1:00 p.m. the draw was conducted for Friday's card with one hundred seven (107) head drawn to race in fourteen (14) events. Scratch time is February 27, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. Immediately following, the draw for Saturday's card was held with one hundred four (104) horses competing in fourteen (14) events. Scratch time is February 27, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

02/26/08 (2) **Dark Day**

Wednesday

02/27/08 (1)

Scratch Time for Friday and Saturday

Scratch time for Friday and Saturday's card was today at 9:00 a.m. For Friday's card there were three (3) driver changes and one (1) scratch. For Saturday's card there were seven (7) driver changes and one (1) scratch.

02/27/08 (2)

Qualifying Race Draw

Entries were taken and a sheet produced for qualifying races to be contested Thursday at 4:30 p.m. Twenty five (25) horses were carded to compete in four (4) qualifying races.

02/27/08 (3)

Dark Day**Thursday**

02/28/08 (1)

Qualifying Races

Four (4) qualifying races were held at 4:30 p.m. under the supervision of Stewards McLaren and Meyers. Twenty four (24) horses participated with eighteen (18) being successful in their qualifying effort.

02/28/08 (2)

Fifth Race – Driver Sanction

After Race #5 Luke Plano, the driver of #5 "Maxalax", was summoned to the telephone to discuss his actions during the stretch drive, particularly Driver Plano's failure to keep his left foot in the stirrup and causing same to come into contact with the horses left rear leg. Driver Plano failed to offer a plausible explanation for his actions, thus the following ruling was issued, taking into account Driver Plano's prior violations of the same rule:

Ruling # 41

Driver Luke Plano, who drove "Maxalax" in the Fifth Race on Thursday, February 28, 2008, is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Driving with Foot Out of Stirrup/Urging by Contact)(Multiple Offenses).

02/28/08 (3)

Clear Card

Other than the aforementioned incident, we had a clean card with competitive racing.

02/28/08 (4)

Program Changes

5th Race Declaration - #2 "Elegant Emma N" – Trainer Bernie Wolin
 Refund: \$13 Injured – Dr. Goodbary
 7th Race Declaration – #7 "Cade Hanover" – Trainer Bob Johnson
 Refund: \$1 Injured – Dr. Goodbary
 9th Race Declaration - #1 "Autumn Tides" – Trainer Ed Hensley
 Refund: \$13 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

02/28/08 (5)	<u>Attendance and Handle</u>	
	Attendance	279
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$38,704
	Handle (In State)	\$332,358
	Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$265,636</u>
	Total Handle	\$636,698

Friday02/29/08 (1) **First Race – Inquiry/No Change**

The stewards posted the ‘Inquiry’ at the conclusion of the first race when #2 “Edgar Allen Coe” (Todd Ratchford) broke stride just before the finish. After reviewing race replays the stewards unanimously concluded that there was no violation of the breaking rule, thus no change in the order of finish.

02/29/08 (2) **Third Race – Failure to Come Up into Position**

At the start of Race #3, the pre-race and morning line favorite, #1 “Bordgame” (Etienne Desomer) was four (4) lengths ‘off’ the starting gate at the start. #1 finished a fast closing third (3rd), beaten two (2) lengths. When contacted by the stewards, Driver Desomer failed, in the opinion of the stewards, to offer a satisfactory explanation for his failure to come up into position. More to follow.

02/29/08 (3) **Eighth Race – Claims**

#2 “Hanover D G N” was claimed from Richard Leon Michael by Osmond Carrera for \$3,000.

#9 “Paul The Powerful” was claimed from Ray H. & Arlene Poole by Bardonia Stable for \$3,750.

02/29/08 (4) **Program Changes**

3rd Race Declaration - #6 “Algebra” – Trainer Bob Johnson

Refund: \$85 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

6th Race Declaration - #5 “Hoosier Punk” – Trainer Lou Pena

Refund: \$8 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

9th Race Declaration - #3 “Keystone Ranger” – Trainer Gilbert Herrera

Refund: \$1 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

14th Race Declaration - #9 “Mask N” – Trainer Rick Plano

Refund: \$1 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

02/29/08 (5) **Attendance and Handle**

	Attendance	401
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$69,144
	Handle (In State)	\$706,029
	Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$409,446</u>
	Total Handle	\$1,184,619

Saturday

03/01/08 (1)

Gene Kelly Hearing – CHRB Complaint #06SW-0065

A formal hearing was held concerning California Horse Racing Board complaint #06SW-0065 alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1595 and 1489 (C). The offense alleged is as follows:

On the above date Owner Kelly came into the Sacramento licensing Office and applied for an Owners license. Kelly disclosed on the application that he owned the horse “Bob E Lee” when in fact he did not (horses papers had not been signed over). Kelly then on August 26, 2006 forged the signatures of Owners Ronald Lott and Graham Ross, Jr. on a lease agreement for the horse “Bob E Lee”.

The hearing was convened, testimony was taken and the matter was deemed submitted. More to follow.

03/01/08 (2)

Owner Gene Kelly Hearing - CHRB Complaint #06SW-0082

A formal hearing was held concerning California Horse Racing Board complaint #06SW-0082 alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility). The offense alleged is as follows:

Gene Kelly has incurred training, vet, blacksmith, etc. expenses for the horse “Bob E Lee” and “I Am Compatable” in the amount of \$3,236.14. He has not made any effort or arrangement to pay. Plus \$70 a day, \$35 for each horse, from October 17, 2009 until horses Are removed from Don Ratchford’s care.

A formal hearing was convened, however at the outset Mr. Kelly made the panel aware of a civil action he had filed against the complainants in this action, Don and Anita Ratchford. In light of this information, this hearing was continued pending outcome of the civil action. More to follow.

03/01/08 (3)

Second Race – No Show Wagering

Show wagering was cancelled due to the late scratch of #5 “California Dream” (Luke Plano), the morning line favorite, due to injury.

03/01/08 (4)

Third Race – Steward’s Scratch – Ownership ??

“SA Sunset” (Lemoyne Svendsen) was scratched by the stewards from Race #3 upon the discovery that the horse (which had been purchased at the blooded horse sale in Delaware, Ohio) was programmed to race under the ownership of the previous owners, who are unlicensed in California. The proper transfer on this horse had not been processed. More to follow.

03/01/08 (5)

Fourth Race – Claim

#2 “Beach Crisis” was claimed from Rob M., Robert G. and Dave H. Hanes by G. Herrera for \$10,500.

03/01/08 (6) **Sixth Race – Claim**

#6 “West Nile Skeeter” was claimed from D & E Racing Inc. by R. Lingle for \$5,100.

03/01/08 (7) **Race #8 – Steward’s Scratch – No Lasix**

At the conclusion of Race #5 the stewards were contacted by Dr. Dooley (State Veterinarian) and notified that #3 “Seneca Falls”, programmed to start in Race #8, trained by Frank Petrelli, had not been treated with Lasix. Trainer Petrelli, when contacted by the stewards could offer no plausible explanation for this situation.

A claim filed on this horse was disallowed due to the scratch.

03/01/08 (8) **Conclusion of Sacramento Harness Association Administration**

Tonight’s card was conducted under a rather somber atmosphere, this being the final program being conducted under the management of Sacramento Harness Association. Racing resumes Thursday, March 06, 2008 under the Cal-Expo banner and hopefully better days are ahead. The racing schedule has been reduced to three (3) nights weekly (Thursday, Friday & Saturday).

03/01/08 (9) **Program Changes**

2nd Race Declaration - #5 “California Dream” – Trainer James Wilkinson

Refund: \$40 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

3rd Race Declaration - #8 “SA Sunset” – Trainer Brian Solden

Refund: \$19 Stewards

5th Race Declaration - #5 “My Mighty Nightie” – Trainer Rick Plano

Refund: \$323 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

8th Race Declaration - #3 “Seneca Falls” – Trainer Bob Johnson

Refund: \$15 Stewards

10th Race Declaration - #6 “R L Chelsea’s Girl” – Trainer Dario Solares

Refund: \$18 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

14th Race Declaration - #7 “Roborod” – Trainer Steve Wiseman

Refund: \$3 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

03/01/08 (10) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	559
Live Handle (On Track)	\$63,427
Handle (In State)	\$600,951
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$343,395</u>
Total Handle	\$1,007,773

RULINGS ISSUED THIS WEEK

- 02/28/08 38 Trainer Thomas Calder Wine II, who started "Machine Maker" in the Second Race on Thursday, January 31, 2008, at Sacramento Harness Association, Cal-Expo, is hereby fined the sum of Three Hundred (\$300) Dollars pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1843 (D) Medications, Drugs and Other Substances – "Phenylbutazone" 5.64 ug/ml in Excess of Permitted Level [Class VI]).
- 02/28/08 39 Trainer Frank Petrelli, who started "Jen U Win BB" in the Sixth Race on Monday, February 25, 2008, is hereby fined the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Late Arriving in Paddock).
- 02/28/08 40 Trainer Frank Petrelli, who started "Dawnlikeslillies" in the Sixth Race on Monday, February 25, 2008, is hereby fined the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Late Arriving in Paddock).
- 03/01/08 41 Driver Luke Plano, who drove "Maxalax" in the Fifth Race on Thursday, February 28, 2008, is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Driving with Foot Out of Stirrup/Urging by Contact)(Multiple Offenses).

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

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.

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
28-Feb	5	2	ELEGANT EMMA N	WOLIN	Injured	Goodbary	\$13.00
	7	7	CADE HANOVER	JOHNSON	Injured	Goodbary	\$1.00
	9	1	AUTUMN TIDES	HENSLEY	Injured	Goodbary	\$13.00
29-Feb	3	6	ALGEBRA	JOHNSON	Injured	Goodbary	\$85.00
	6	5	HOOSIER PUNK	PENA	Injured	Goodbary	\$8.00
	9	3	KEYSTONE RANGER	HERRERA	Injured	Goodbary	\$1.00
1-Mar	14	9	MASK N	PLANO	Injured	Goodbary	\$1.00
	2	5	CALIFORNIA DREAM	WILKINSON	Injured	Goodbary	\$40.00
	5	5	MY MIGHTY NIGHTIE	PLANO	Injured	Goodbary	\$323.00
	10	6	R L CHELSEA'S GIRL	SOLARES	Injured	Goodbary	\$18.00
	14	7	ROBOROD	WISEMAN	Injured	Goodbary	\$3.00

WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Bakersfield	\$	11,113.30
Bay Meadows	\$	107,561.70
Eureka	\$	-
Fresno	\$	9,484.30
Fresno Club One	\$	6,396.80
Golden Gate	\$	61,624.80
Monterey	\$	12,371.10
Pleasanton	\$	43,050.30
Sacramento	\$	167,875.60
San Jose	\$	54,967.70
Santa Rosa	\$	20,037.50
Stockton	\$	31,369.60
Tulare	\$	709.50
Turlock	\$	-
Vallejo	\$	24,548.80
Racing Fairs	\$	-
So. California	\$	-
Out of State	\$	1,200,976.04

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SUMMARY

2008

	Mon 02/25	Tues 02/26	Wed 02/27	Thurs 02/28	Fri 02/29	Sat 03/01	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	0	D	D	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	0	A	A	0	0	0	0	0
Claims	3	R	R	0	2	2	7	21
Disqualification's	0	K	K	0	0	0	0	12
Inquiries	0	D	D	0	1	0	1	28
Refunds	0	A	A	3	4	6	13	154
Rulings	0	Y	Y	3	0	1	4	41

Stewards Attendance: Stewards Oke, McLaren and Meyers were in attendance.

All drivers submitted to a breath analyzer test.

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

Brent McLaren, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward