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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, October 24, 2011 through Sunday, October 30, 2011. Steward Michael W. "Wayne" Oke was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

10/24/11 (1) **Entries for Week's Cards**

The racing office was open today accepting entries for the week's three racing programs.

10/24/11 (2) **Draw for Thursday's Program**

At 1:00 p.m. a draw was conducted for Thursday's card, with sixty-six (66) head drawn to compete in ten (10) races.
Scratch time is tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday

10/25/11 (1) **Scratch Time for Thursday's Card**

At scratch time for Thursday's card, there were seven (7) driver corrections and no other changes.

10/25/11 (2) **Draw for Friday and Saturday's Cards**

At 10:00 a.m. a draw was conducted for Friday's card, with one hundred five (105) head scheduled to compete in fourteen (14) races.

Immediately following, a draw was conducted for Saturday's card with one hundred one (101) drawn to compete in fourteen (14) pari mutuel events. Additionally, five (5) 3 Year Old California Sired Trotting Colts and Geldings were drawn to compete in an early non-betting event with post time scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

Scratch time for both cards is tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday

10/26/11 (1) **Scratch Time for Friday and Saturday's Cards**

At scratch time for Friday's card there were numerous driver corrections and no other changes.

For Saturday's card there were numerous driver corrections, one (1) injured scratch and one (1) steward's scratch.

10/26/11 (2) **USTA Trainers Test**

Owner William Hernandez Arriaga wrote the USTA Trainer/Driver Test today in the steward's office. Results will be available in 10 – 14 days.

10/26/11 (3) **Impasse Resolved**

Investigator Sharon Jolly informed the duty steward that the situation involving Cal Expo Management [10/22/11 (2)] and Trainer Mark Anderson had been resolved, resulting in Anderson being permitted to enter horses in all classes at Cal Expo (qualifier, overnights and stakes).

10/26/11 (4) **California Sire Stakes 3 Year Old Division**

This weekend sees the first round of competition for the California Sire Stakes for 3 Year Old Trotters and Pacers.

Friday evening sees the fillies in Races 5 (trotters – seven (7) entries) and Race 6 (pacers with seven (7) entries); Each division competing for a purse of \$15,000.

Saturday evening the colts and geldings are in action with an early non-betting event with five (5) entered.

Thursday

10/27/11 (1) **First Race – Inquiry/No Change**

The 'inquiry' sign was posted to review an incident prior to, and after, the 3/4 mile marker in which eventual race winner #3 "Hollywood Star" (Lemoyne Svendsen) and third (3rd) place finisher #5 "A Little Looney" (John Obert) were observed to be in very close quarters.

#5 was racing in a 'parked out' position and was obviously very hard to control as the horse was 'lugging in', taking racing room from #3.

As the horses entered the stretch, these two 'hooked wheels' momentarily, but were able to separate without further incident.

As #3 finished ahead of #5 in the official order of finish, no change was warranted.

The Board of Stewards placed #5 "A Little Looney" on the steward's list as 'unmanageable' and the horse will be required to qualify.

Driver Obert was held blameless in the incident.

10/27/11 (2) **Sixth Race – Driver Sanctions**

While the horses were 'scoring down', awaiting the start of Race #6, the Board of Stewards observed Drivers Scott Cisco #4 "Aston Boko" and Driver Steve Wiseman #1 "Noble Way" conversing on the race track; a situation which was being simulcast by TVG, and others.

The Board of Stewards contacted the drivers and they ‘embarrassedly’ accepted the following sanctions:

Ruling # 25

Driver Steve Wiseman, who drove #1 “Noble Way” in the Sixth Race on Thursday October 27, 2011, is hereby fined the sum of Fifty (\$50) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Talking During Post Parade).

Ruling # 26

Driver Scott Cisco, who drove #4 “Aston Boko” in the Sixth Race on Thursday October 27, 2011, is hereby fined the sum of Fifty (\$50) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Talking During Post Parade).

10/27/11 (3) **Program Changes**

5th Race #6 - Program Correction

Program should read: “First Time Lasix”

6th Race Declaration - #3 “Carpathian Hooray” – Trainer Matias Ruiz

Refund: \$1385 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

7th Race Declaration - #1 “Whitman” – Trainer Quentin Schneider

Refund: \$69 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

9th Race Declaration - #6 “Jen’s Delight” – Trainer Frank Petrelli

Refund: \$37 Lame – Dr. Robert Goodbary

10/27/11 (4) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	128
Live Handle (On Track)	\$29,271
Handle (In State)	\$189,536
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$157,904</u>
Total Handle	\$376,711

Friday

10/28/11 (1) **Driver David Siegel/Film Review [Re: 10/22/11 (7)]**

Driver David Siegel appeared in the steward’s office, as requested, to review his drive on #8 “Freedoms My Style” in Saturday’s (10/22/11) 11th Race. Driver Siegel, who was setting the pace in this event, was observed inside two (2) pylons just past the 1/4 mile marker.

Siegel explained that his focus was on horse #7 “Sayitoutloud” (Luke Plano), who was challenging for the lead, and he suddenly realized his horse had ‘lugged in’, causing him to be in violation of the ‘pylon rule’.

The stewards had, in a unanimous decision, disqualified Siegel’s mount before the race was ‘declared official’.

Siegel accepted the Board of Steward’s decision and accepted the following ruling:

Ruling # 24

Driver David Siegel, who drove “Freedoms My Style” in the Eleventh Race at Cal-Expo on Saturday, October 22, 2011, is hereby fined the sum

of One Hundred (\$100) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1721(K) (Driving Rules – Careless Driving – Racing Inside Two (2) Pylons – Past the 1/4 Mile Marker – Resulting in a Disqualification).

10/28/11 (2) **First Race – Inquiry/No Change**

The stewards lit the ‘inquiry’ in order to review the stretch drive when #3 “Winsom Kelly” was observed making a brief ‘break in stride’.

After reviewing video the Board of Stewards unanimously concluded that #3, the eventual second (2nd) place finisher, complied with the breaking rule, thus no change.

10/28/11 (3) **Eighth Race – Inquiry/Change**

The ‘inquiry’ sign was flashed to allow for review of the ‘stretch drive’ during which #2 “Hiho Legacy” (David Siegel), the unofficial first (1st) place finisher, was observed ‘bearing out’ during the stretch drive, forcing #4 “Mac’s Derrick T” (Steve Wiseman) to alter his course in order to improve his position.

After reviewing video and speaking with the drivers involved, the Board of Stewards unanimously concluded that #2 had forced #4 to alter his course, thus costing #4 ‘an opportunity for a better placing’. Driver David Siegel was ordered to film review.

Original order of finish: 2-5-4-6-1-7-3-8
Official order of finish: 5-4-2-6-1-7-3-8

10/28/11 (4) **Ninth Race – Inquiry/No Change**

The ‘inquiry’ sign was posted to review an incident which occurred as the field approached the 1/2 mile marker.

As #6 “Letter Of Intent” (James Kennedy), the race leader, approached the 1/2 mile marker, he was challenged for the lead by eventual first (1st) place finisher #3 “Irish Whiskey” (Luke Plano). As #3 assumed the lead, #6 broke stride.

After reviewing video, the Board of Stewards unanimously concluded that there was no contact and no rule violations, thus no change.

10/28/11 (5) **Tenth Race – Inquiry/No Change**

The ‘inquiry’ sign was posted to review two (2) incidents in the race.

1) As the field past the 3/4 mile marker, #2 “Youbetterbelieveit” (Lemoyne Svendsen, 7th) and #4 “My Real Love” (Richard Wojcio, 4th) were observed to be in very close quarters. After reviewing video and speaking with Driver Svendsen, the Board of Stewards unanimously concluded that there was no contact and no rule violation, thus no change.

2) As the field approached the finish, #3 “Check Raisin” was observed to ‘possibly break stride’. After reviewing video, the Board of Stewards

unanimously concluded that #3 was ‘temporarily rough gaited’ but did not violate the breaking rule, thus no change.

10/28/11 (6) **Program Changes**

5th Race Program Correction - #4 “Dancinwiththedevil”

program should read “1st Time Lasix”

6th Race Declaration - #3 “Math Wiz” – Trainer Bob Johnson

Refund: \$368

Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

10/28/11 (7) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	223
Live Handle (On Track)	\$43,627
Handle (In State)	\$330,176
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$328,970</u>
Total Handle	\$702,773

Saturday

10/29/11 (1) **Qualifying Entries and Sheet**

The race office was open accepting entries for qualifying races to be conducted later today.

As a result, a qualifying sheet was produced, showing nineteen (19) horses scheduled to compete in four (4) qualifying events, with first post at 4:30 p.m.

In an unusual occurrence, Race Official Employee Brent Bridges contacted the duty steward, requesting permission to add a horse (“Tillie Vic”) to the qualifying sheet, stating the horse had been properly entered and the entry was misplaced by the race office.

Permission was granted and “Tillie Vic” was added as the sixth (6th) horse in Qualifying Race #2, thus making the total number of horses attempting to qualify to twenty (20).

10/29/11 (2) **Film Review/David Siegel [Ref: 10/28/11 (3)]**

Driver David Siegel appeared in the steward’s office as requested, to review his drive in last evening’s 8th Race in which his mount #2 “Hiho Legacy” was disqualified from first (1st) and placed third (3rd) for interference with original third (3rd) place finisher #4 “Mac’s Derrick T” (Steve Wiseman) in the stretch.

Driver Siegel acknowledged the interference while offering the explanation that he was attempting to balance competing for the win, while lessening the impact on others.

The Board of Stewards made the point that one cannot affect the ability of others in order to achieve a higher placing.

Siegel accepted the Board of Steward’s unanimous decision and accepted the following ruling:

Ruling # 27

Driver David Siegel, who drove #2 “Hiho Legacy” in the Eighth Race on Friday October 28, 2011 is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1721 (J) (Driving Rules – Change Course After Selecting A Position In The Homestretch, Or Bear In Or Out In Such A Manner As To Interfere With Another Horse Or Cause Him To Change Stride Or Break). Incident occurred in deep stretch – resulting in a disqualification.

10/29/11 (3) **Qualifying Races**

Four (4) qualifying events were conducted commencing at 4:30 p.m., with twelve (12) participants successful in their qualifying efforts.

10/29/11 (4) **Wagering Pattern Confusion**

Despite proper notification Sportech personnel failed to provide for ‘win-wagering only’ on Race #11. The error was rectified prior to the evening’s 1st Race.

10/29/11 (5) **Bronte Epilepsy Research Foundation Amateur Series Claiming Continues**

This popular series has seen a great deal of activity at the claim box. In the evening’s 4th ‘Serious Art’ had six (6) claims entered for a claiming price of \$4,500.

The horse returned to his original owners William Hernandez-Arriaga and Georgette Wencleslao after a ‘shake’.

In the evening’s 7th event, “Rude Awakening” was claimed by Allen Aldrich and Jeff Bonde.

10/29/11 (6) **Tenth Race – Inquiry/Change**

The ‘inquiry’ sign was posted to review the stretch drive when unofficial race winner #3 “Charmer” (James Kennedy) was possibly ‘off-stride’ at the finish.

After reviewing video, the Board of Stewards concluded that #3 was off-stride at the finish and was ‘lapped on’ by #1 “Red Star Fiona” (James Lackey) and #5 “Cinnamon” (Luke Plano), who finished in a dead heat for second (2nd), resulting in a dead heat for the win; and #2 “Mystically Mine” (Lemoyne Svendsen), the original fourth (4th) place finisher who was placed third (3rd). Driver James Kennedy was held blameless in the incident.

Original order of finish: 3-1DH-5DH-2-6-8-7

Official order of finish: 1DH-5DH-2-3-6-8-7

10/29/11 (7) **Eleventh Race – Inquiry/No Change**

The ‘inquiry’ light was flashed to review an incident in deep stretch when #1 “Live A Little” (Lemoyne Svendsen) broke stride and continued off-stride through the finish.

After reviewing video, the Board of Stewards, by majority vote (Steward Meyers dissenting) concluded that #1 had complied with the ‘breaking rule’ and no interference occurred, thus no change.

10/29/11 (8) **Driver Excused**

At the conclusion of Race #12, Driver Lemoyne Svendsen contacted the Board of Stewards and asked to be excused from his driving commitments in Races 13 and 14, due to back problems.

The stewards granted Driver Svendsen's request and the following changes were made and announced: Race 13 - #4 "Steady As A Rock" – Anthony Succarotte and Race 14 – #1 "Falcon Forte N" – James Lackey.

10/29/11 (9) **Program Changes**

1st Race Declaration - #4 "OK Shark N" – Trainer Karen Isbell

Refund: \$182 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

1st Race Program Correction - #7 "Cigarchompin Mona"

program should read: 1st Time Lasix

3rd Race Program Correction - #2 "Exit Hanover"

program should read: Off Lasix

4th Race Program Correction - #5 "Sterling Chris"

program should read: Trainer – Frank Petrelli

5th Race Program Correction - #8 "Pilgrims Skyfire"

program should read: Back On Lasix

8th Race Program Correction - #5 "Sabotaj"

program should read: 1st Time Lasix

10th Race Declaration - #4 "Jane The Brain" – Trainer Dario Solares

Refund: \$58 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

14th Race Program Correction - #1 "Falcon Forte N"

program should read: Off Lasix

10/29/11 (8) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	391
Live Handle (On Track)	\$45,704
Handle (In State)	\$421,710
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$280,296</u>
Total Handle	\$747,710

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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
27-Oct	6	3	CARPATHIAN HOORAY	RUIZ	Injured	Goodbary	\$1,385.00
	7	1	WHITMAN	SCHNEIDER	Injured	Goodbary	\$69.00
	9	6	JEN'S DELIGHT	PETRELLI	Lame	Goodbary	\$37.00
28-Oct	6	3	MATH WIZ	JOHNSON	Injured	Goodbary	\$368.00
29-Oct	1	4	OK SHARK N	ISELL	Injured	Goodbary	\$182.00
	10	4	JANE THE BRAIN	SOLARES	Injured	Goodbary	\$58.00

WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Bakersfield	\$	5,946.00
Fresno	\$	1,913.00
Fresno Club One	\$	519.90
Golden Gate	\$	29,740.00
Monterey	\$	5,115.20
Pleasanton	\$	18,384.50
Sacramento	\$	89,519.40
San Jose	\$	27,220.30
San Mateo	\$	40,551.10
Santa Rosa	\$	6,652.70
Stockton	\$	13,831.20
Tulare	\$	20.00
Turlock	\$	9,954.50
Vallejo	\$	767,171.04
So. California	\$	312,233.40
Out of State	\$	1,016,538.84

**CAL-EXPO HARNESS ASSOCIATION
SUMMARY
2011**

	Mon 10/24	Tues 10/25	Wed 10/26	Thurs 10/27	Fri 10/28	Sat 10/29	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	0	0	0	0	2
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	0	2	2	4	12
Claims	R	R	R	0	1	2	3	15
Disqualifications	K	K	K	0	1	1	2	11
Inquiries	D	D	D	2	3	2	7	38
Refunds	A	A	A	3	1	2	6	42
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	0	3	1	4	27

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

All drivers submitted to a breath analyzer test.

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward