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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, April 16, 2012 through Sunday, April 22, 2012. Steward Grant Baker was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

4/16/12 (1)

Entry Day

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Friday April 20 and Saturday April 21.

4/16/12 (2)

Luke Plano Case Dismissed [REF: 4/5/12 (1)]

Racing Secretary Fred Kuebler, who represented Driver Luke Plano in an April 15, 2012 formal hearing (Case No: SAC 12-009) was informed today that the above referenced case has been dismissed. On March 17, 2012 Driver Plano had been unanimously issued a \$100 fine (Ruling #24) by Cal Expo stewards for five (5) violations of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey (Driver) Agreement) on March 16, 2012. Plano appealed the original ruling and the matter was remanded on March 23, 2012 for formal hearing and in order to obtain a transcript before the stewards by California Horse Racing Board Executive Director Kirk Breed. The hearing having now been held, today's dismissal decision is the result of a majority vote. The minority (Steward Baker) felt Driver Plano failed to abide by his driving agreements and was not excused from those obligations following a race day return flight from Fort Lauderdale, Florida to San Francisco, California.

Tuesday

4/17/12 (1)

Entry/Draw Day

Thirty (30) races were drawn today in the racing office for cards to be held on Friday, April 20 and Saturday, April 21. Fourteen (14) races will be contested on April 20. One hundred thirteen (113) horses are scheduled to start.

Fourteen (14) races are also slated for April 21. One hundred eleven (111) horses are scheduled to start.

Wednesday

4/18/12 (1)

Scratch Day

The racing office was open today accepting requests to scratch and taking driver changes for Friday, April 20 and Saturday, April 21. There were thirty (30) driver changes/selections and two (2) scratches for April 20. There were eighteen (18) driver changes/selections and four (4) scratches for April 21. All changes were activated after today's 9:00 AM deadline.

4/18/12 (2)

Wojcio Cleared [REF: 4/13/12 (2) & 4/14/12 (5)]

The steward's office received a notice from the doctor's office of Sockolov and Sockolov (Sacramento, CA) approving Driver Richard Wojcio to return to work without restrictions. Driver Wojcio was excused from his driving assignments on April 13, and April 14, 2012.

Thursday

4/19/12 (1)

Earl Kennedy Hearing (Case No: 12SW0012)

An informal hearing was held today for Owner/Trainer/Driver Earl Kennedy alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility). It is alleged that Kennedy owes past due rent in for trailer space rental in the Horseman's Trailer Park at Cal Expo. Cal Expo Trailer Park Manager, Marcia Shell was present today along with Earl Kennedy. Ms. Shell alleges that Kennedy owes Cal Expo nine hundred thirty (\$930.00) dollars in delinquent trailer space rent. Kennedy brought one hundred dollars (\$100.00) with him today. Ms. Shell and Earl Kennedy signed a 'financial agreement' today which should have Mr. Kennedy current with all past due rent in approximately four (4) months.

Friday

4/20/12 (1)

Qualifying Races

Two (2) qualifying races were held prior to this evening's fourteen (14) race pari-mutuel card. Of the twelve (12) competitors, nine (9) made the grade.

4/20/12 (2)

Wagering Pools Cancelled

Cal Expo management cancelled the place and show pools for tonight's second race which originally was carded with five (5) betting interests. The late scratch of #5 "Putoneonnetformom" reduced this field to four (4). #4 "Shelby County" won this trotting event at odds of even money (1/1).

4/20/12 (3)

Thirteenth Race Inquiry

The steward's posted the inquiry sign following this race after viewing an incident in the mid stretch. First place finisher #5 "Doit By The Clock" (James Kennedy) drifted out in front of fifth place finisher #3 "Arch Nemeses" who broke stride shortly after this incident. Both race replays and conversations with the driver's involved indicated the drifting out of #5 "Doit By The Clock" was not the reason that #3 "Arch Nemeses" broke

stride. After discussion the steward's unanimously voted to make 'no change' in the order of finish.

4/20/12 (4)

Program Changes

- 2nd Race Declaration - #5 "Putoneonnetformom" – Trainer Rocky Stidham
Refund: \$521 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
- 3rd Race Declaration - #4 "Tutiming Gal" – Trainer Vicki Desomer
Refund: \$299 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
- 4th Race Declaration - #3 "Drawing Dead" – Trainer Luke Plano
Refund: \$106 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
- 5th Race Declaration - #6 "Alpine Hawk" – Trainer Gordon Graham
Refund: \$533 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
- 7th Race Declaration - #7 "Dreaming Of Amy" – Trainer Matias Ruiz
Refund: \$243 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
- 11th Race Declaration - #3 "La Madawna De Rosa" – Trainer Bob Johnson
Refund: \$451 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM

4/20/12 (5)

Attendance and Handle

Attendance	324
Live Handle (On Track)	\$50,987
Handle (In State)	\$373,808
<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$360,362</u>
Total Handle	\$785,157

Saturday

4/21/12 (1)

Driver vs Outrider

Driver Ralph Silvestri III appeared in the steward's office to address an issue that took place on Thursday, April 12. Silvestri failed to appear as ordered yesterday, Friday, April 13. Outrider Billy Don Wainscott informed the stewards today that Silvestri used profane language when he informed him that the racetrack was closed at 12:00 noon on April 12. Explicitives were directed at Outrider Wainscott when Silvestri unhappily missed out on exercising his horse on this day. In a unanimous vote the steward's issued the following ruling:

RULING # 32

DRIVER **RALPH SILVESTRI III**, IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (**\$100.00**)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE **#1874(2)** (DISORDERLY CONDUCT – VERBAL ABUSE TOWARDS OTRIDER BILLY DON WAINSCOTT ON APRIL 20, 2012).

4/21/12 (2)

Lemoyne Svendsen Film Review

Driver Lemoyne Svendsen appeared in the steward's office to review his drive in last night's (April 20th) fourteenth race. Svendsen drove second place finisher #5 "Big Guy Two Win" in this race. Film review shows Svendsen take his hand out of his 'hand hold' and whip one handed before the 7/8th pole marker. Driver Svendsen acknowledged this fact. This is in violation of Cal Expo House Whipping Rule #2. The majority voted for a warning in this matter with the minority (Steward Baker) voting for a penalty.

- 4/21/12 (3) **Second Race Pools Cancelled**
 Cal Expo management canceled place and show wagering pools prior to this evening's second race. This race was originally carded with six (6) wagering interests. #4 "Live A Little" was a late 'race day' scratch leaving five (5) wagering interests. Morning line favorite #6 "Albion" (Luke Plano) went on to win this race at odds of seven to five (7/5).
- 4/21/12 (4) **Second Race Inquiry**
 The stewards posted the inquiry sign after observing fourth place finisher #1 "Stanza" (Steve Wiseman) make a break shortly after entering the stretch. The stewards were looking to see if "Stanza" complied with CHRB Rule #1722 (Breaking) or if he interfered with any rivals. After film review the stewards were satisfied neither of these issues would necessitate a disqualification. In an unanimous decision 'no change' was made in the order of finish.
- 4/21/12 (5) **Ninth Race Inquiry**
 The stewards posted the inquiry sign after viewing eighth place finisher #7 "A Girl Named Fred" (Lemoyne Svendsen) go on a break in mid stretch. Race replays show Driver Svendsen attempt to 'split horses' while closing in the stretch. While between horses he veers inward and makes wheel disc contact with fifth place finisher #4 "Ok Shark N" (Steve Wiseman). Driver Wiseman alertly grabs his mount quickly with his driving reins in order to avert further incident. The stewards unanimously ruled that #7 "A Girl Named Fred" and Driver Svendsen caused their own problems in this race and that 'no change' in the order of finish was warranted. Driver Svendsen was ordered to film review.
- 4/21/12 (6) **Program Changes**
 2nd Race Declaration - #4 "Live A Little" – Trainer Bob Johnson
 Refund: \$416 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
 4th Race Declaration - #1 "Heartbrake Ridge" – Trainer Susan Boyce
 Refund: \$200 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
 #3 "Wild About Eagle" – Trainer Steve Wiseman
 Refund: \$280 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
 5th Race Declaration - #1 "Double Dakota" – Trainer Tim Brown
 Refund: \$469 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
 7th Race Declaration - #4 "Badger Creek" – Trainer Harold Herrera
 Refund: \$530 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
 8th Race Declaration - #5 "Victory Felicia" – Trainer Amanda Fraser
 Refund: \$170 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
 11th Race Declaration - #4 "Mo Fancy" – Trainer Bob Johnson
 Refund: \$100 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
 #9 "Glad It's Over" – Trainer James Wilkinson
 Refund: \$249 Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM
- 4/21/12 (7) **Attendance and Handle**
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| Attendance | 378 |
| Live Handle (On Track) | \$40,479 |
| Handle (In State) | \$300,335 |
| <u>Handle (Out of State)</u> | <u>\$422,254</u> |
| Total Handle | \$763,068 |