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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, April 30, 2012 through Sunday, May 6, 2012. Steward Grant Baker was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

**Monday**

4/30/12 (1)

**Entries**

The racing office was open this morning accepting entries for Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5.

4/30/12 (2)

**Dark Day**

**Tuesday**

5/1/12 (1)

**The Draw**

Twenty nine (29) races were drawn today for cards to be held on Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5. Fourteen (14) race will be contested on May 4 with one hundred eleven (111) horses scheduled to start.

Fifteen (15) races are slated for May 5. One hundred twenty four (124) horses are scheduled to start.

5/1/12 (2)

**Dark Day**

**Wednesday**

5/2/12 (1)

**Scratch Time**

The racing office was open today accepting requests to scratch and driver changes for Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5. There were nineteen (19) driver changes/selections and one (1) scratch for May 4. There were twenty five (25) driver changes/selections and one (1) scratch for May 5. All changes were activated after today's 9:00am deadline.

5/2/12 (2)

**Dark Day**

**Thursday**

5/3/12 (1)

**George Luster Hearing (Case No: 125W0017)**

A complaint was filed by Blacksmith Luis Oyarzabal against Trainer George Luster for delinquent horseshoeing bills in the amount of one hundred eighty (\$180.00) dollars. These bills date back to December 2011. Blacksmith Oyarzabal accepted ninety (\$90.00) dollars today and this matter is now settled.

5/3/12 (2)

**Dark Day****Friday**

5/4/12 (1)

**Qualifying Race**

Three (3) qualifying races were held prior to tonight's fourteen (14) races pari-mutual card. Of the seventeen (17) competitor's fourteen (14) made the grade.

5/4/12 (2)

**Richard Wojcio Film Review [REF: 4/28/12 (1)]**

Driver Richard Wojcio appeared in the steward's office to review his drive in yesterday's third (California Sires Stakes) race. Wojcio sat behind #3 "Ra Ra Steven" who finished first but was disqualified and placed sixth for interference on the final turn. Film review showed "Ra Ra Steven" shift outward and hook the inside wheel of #6 "Look's Don't Count" (James Kennedy) and forcing that rival to break stride. Driver Wojcio felt he was clear of "Look's Don't Count" when he shifted out but still accepted responsibility for his actions which led to the eventual disqualification. The stewards all voted to issue to following ruling:

**RULING # 33**

**DRIVER RICHARD WOJCIO, WHO DROVE "RA RA STEVEN" IN THE THIRD RACE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2012, IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1721(B) (DRIVING RULES – JOSTLE, STRIKE, HOOK WHEELS, OR INTERFERE WITH ANOTHER HORSE OR DRIVER INCIDENT OCCURRED AT THE ¾ MILE MARKER RESULTING IN A DISQUALIFICATION)**

5/4/12 (3)

**Harold Herrera Film Review [REF:4/28/12 (2)]**

Driver Harold Herrera appeared in the steward's office to review his drive behind #7 "Arts Spice" in the sixth race on April 28, 2012. Driver Herrera was involved in the two (2) incidents in the mid-stretch in this race. With an 1/8<sup>th</sup> of a mile left to race "Arts Spice" shifts out from the middle of the track and severely impedes a fast closing and eventual second place finisher #2 "Jen's Delight" (Luke Plano). Following this incident "Arts Spice" and Driver Herrera veer inward to the track pylon's and into the path of fifth place finisher #4 "Dream U Fool" (Richard Wojcio). There was a steward's inquiry into this race however 'no change' was made in the order of the finish. Driver Herrera was told by the stewards that this drive was quite reckless. He did not offer a defense. In a unanimous vote the stewards issued the following ruling:

**RULING # 34**

DRIVER **HAROLD HERRERA**, WHO DROVE “**ARTS SPICE**” IN THE SIXTH RACE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2012 IS HEREBY FINED TWO HUNDRED (**\$200.00**)\* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # **1721 (J)(K)** (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 WHILE DRIVING IN A RECKLESS MANNER).

5/4/12 (4) **Tim Brown Ruling (Case No:125W009)**

**RULING # 35**

TRAINER **TIM BROWN** IS HEREBY FINED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$1,000.00**)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD #**1980** (POSSESSION OF CONTRABAND – NEEDLE AND SYRINGE IN TACKROOM) ON FEBRUARY 29, 2012 AT CAL-EXPO, CA.

The ruling above was issued after the steward’s held a formal hearing [REF:4/26/12 (1)] on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Tim Brown indicated he would appeal this ruling.

5/4/12 (5) **Ninth Race Inquiry**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to investigate if sixth place finisher #9 “Bloom N Doom” (Lemoyne Svendsen) complied with CHRB Rule #1722 (Breaking). In an unanimous vote the stewards rule that this horse did comply with CHRB Rule #1722 and that no change in the order of finish was warranted.

5/4/12 (6) **Program Changes**

5<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #4 “Giles LS Hanover” – Trainer Bob Johnson  
Refund: \$255                      Injured – Robert Goodbary, DVM

5/4/12 (7) **Attendance and Handle**

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|------------------------|------------------|
| Attendance             | 489              |
| Live Handle (On Track) | \$61,536         |
| Handle (In State)      | \$433,251        |
| Handle (Out of State)  | \$378,463        |
| <b>Total Handle</b>    | <b>\$873,250</b> |

**Saturday**

5/5/12 (1) **Seventh Race Inquiry-Non-Starter**

The inquiry sign was posted after the stewards viewed an incident before the start. Film review shows first place finisher #6 “Badger Creek” (Harold Herrera) veer in and interfere with eventual sixth place finisher #5 “Mow Em Down” (Nick Casale). The stewards spoke with both drivers involved and Starter Bill Vallandingham. Following film review the stewards felt the Starter should have enforced CHRB Rule #1730 (B) (Recalls) by issuing a ‘recall’. This was not done, however. In a unanimous decision the stewards declared #5 “Mow Em Down” a non-starter. The tote department was notified and full refunds were ordered



**VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES**

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Race</b> | <b>No.</b> | <b>Horse</b>      | <b>Trainer</b> | <b>Reason</b> | <b>Vet</b> | <b>Refund</b> |
|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| 4-May       | 5           | 4          | GILES LS HANOVER  | JOHNSON        | Injured       | Goodbary   | \$ 255.00     |
| 5-May       | 2           | 2          | SHOOT THE WORKS   | BROWN          | Injured       | Goodbary   | \$ 296.70     |
| 5-May       | 7           | 3          | GUSTY WINDS AHEAD | CISCO          | Injured       | Goodbary   |               |
| 5-May       | 9           | 1          | STANZA            | WISEMAN        | Injured       | Goodbary   | \$ 123.60     |
| 5-May       | 13          | 2          | BOO COO BLUSH     | ISBELL         | Injured       | Goodbary   | \$ 429.10     |

**WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES**

|                 |    |            |
|-----------------|----|------------|
| Bakersfield     | \$ | 6,051.40   |
| Fresno          | \$ | 2,754.50   |
| Fresno Club One | \$ | 1,032.10   |
| Golden Gate     | \$ | 26,624.00  |
| Monterey        | \$ | 5,471.60   |
| Pleasanton      | \$ | 20,256.60  |
| Sacramento      | \$ | 86,996.70  |
| San Jose        | \$ | 20,948.30  |
| San Mateo       | \$ | 36,212.40  |
| Santa Rosa      | \$ | 7,129.80   |
| Stockton        | \$ | 10,744.30  |
| Tulare          | \$ | 552.30     |
| Turlock         | \$ | 654.20     |
| Vallejo         | \$ | 11,281.30  |
| So. California  | \$ | 322,637.20 |

**CAL-EXPO HARNESS ASSOCIATION  
SUMMARY 2012**

|                          | <b>Mon<br/>04/30</b> | <b>Tues<br/>05/01</b> | <b>Wed<br/>05/02</b> | <b>Thurs<br/>05/03</b> | <b>Fri<br/>05/04</b> | <b>Sat<br/>05/05</b> | <b>Total<br/>Week</b> | <b>Total<br/>Meet</b> |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Accidents</b>         | <b>D</b>             | <b>D</b>              | <b>D</b>             | <b>D</b>               | <b>0</b>             | <b>0</b>             | <b>0</b>              | <b>1</b>              |
| <b>Cal-Bred Races</b>    | <b>A</b>             | <b>A</b>              | <b>A</b>             | <b>A</b>               | <b>0</b>             | <b>0</b>             | <b>0</b>              | <b>8</b>              |
| <b>Claims</b>            | <b>R</b>             | <b>R</b>              | <b>R</b>             | <b>R</b>               | <b>2</b>             | <b>1</b>             | <b>3</b>              | <b>24</b>             |
| <b>Disqualifications</b> | <b>K</b>             | <b>K</b>              | <b>K</b>             | <b>K</b>               | <b>0</b>             | <b>1</b>             | <b>1</b>              | <b>15</b>             |
| <b>Inquiries</b>         | <b>D</b>             | <b>D</b>              | <b>D</b>             | <b>D</b>               | <b>1</b>             | <b>2</b>             | <b>3</b>              | <b>42</b>             |
| <b>Refunds</b>           | <b>A</b>             | <b>A</b>              | <b>A</b>             | <b>A</b>               | <b>1</b>             | <b>5</b>             | <b>6</b>              | <b>175</b>            |
| <b>Rulings</b>           | <b>Y</b>             | <b>Y</b>              | <b>Y</b>             | <b>Y</b>               | <b>3</b>             | <b>0</b>             | <b>3</b>              | <b>35</b>             |

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

**All drivers submitted to a breath analyzer test.**

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**Grant Baker, Steward**

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**Will Meyers, Steward**

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**Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward**