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Report of the Board of Stewards
To the California Horse Racing Board

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Report for the period Wednesday, April 15, 2009 through Sunday, April 19, 2009.

Wednesday

04-15-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

Purse \$9,700. For California bred fillies and mares, four years old and upward, claiming price \$5,000 at one mile. This race filled with six Cal-Breds.

04-15-09² **KYLE KAENEL REVIEW**

Jockey **Kyle Kaenel** called the stewards early this morning regarding the eighth race, Sunday, April 12th. Jockey Kaenel was aboard first place finisher #2 RUN IT and survived a jockey's claim of foul (Ref: 04-12-09⁷) lodged by the jockey on the second place finisher, #1 SPORT KING (David Lopez).

Jockey Kaenel called while en route to Prairie Meadows, Iowa, where he will apply his trade starting April 24. This informal matter was handled over the telephone as the stewards unanimously felt Kaenel's actions in this race did not fall into the category of a 'suspension type ride'.

04-15-09³ **BARRINGTON HARVEY FILM REVIEW**

Jockey **Barrington Harvey** appeared in the stewards' office to review his ride in the fifth race, Sunday, April 12th. Jockey Harvey was involved in an accident in this race (Ref: 04-12-09⁶) while the horses were entering the clubhouse turn in this one mile and one-sixteenth race. Film review shows Harvey's mount, #9 SO GONE, bearing out while entering the clubhouse (first) turn. Jockey **Adan Landeros** (#7 ATTABOY) is trailing behind SO GONE and attempts to steady his horse off that rival's heels. Unfortunately, #7 ATTABOY clip heels at this point, unseating jockey Adan Landeros. Jockey Harvey told the stewards his horse was erratic and hard to control throughout the race. The stewards held jockey Harvey blameless for this incident following film review. SO GONE's substitute trainer, Monty Meier, was called by the stewards and encouraged to make an equipment change prior to the horse's next start.

04-15-09⁴ **GREG JAMES FILM REVIEW**

Trainer **Greg James** came to the stewards' office to go over race replays of the eighth race on Sunday, April 12. Trainer James' horse, SPORT KING, finished second in this race and his jockey, David Lopez, lodged a claim of foul that was determined unsuccessful. Trainer James and also part owner, **Lorraine Rodriguez**, each telephoned the stewards following the April 12 race to voice disagreement with the stewards' judging (unanimous – No Change) of this race.

During the informal film session the stewards pointed out that the actions of #1 SPORT KING (stepping inward at 3/16ths) also contributed to an incident that first place finisher #2, RUN IT, was also partially responsible for. Bottom line – ultimately all four people (three stewards) in the stewards' office agreed that 'no change' in the order of finish was warranted.

04-15-09⁵ **SMOOTH CARD**

Today's eight (8) race card went well as it was free of stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

04-15-09⁶ **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

1 st race:	#1 TILTED ANGEL	(Tr. Jose Godinez)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 58.00
2 nd race:	#1 SCANDALOUS	(Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 534.00

In both the first and second races, the above declarations left only four wagering interests and in compliance with CHRB rule 1954 (Pari-mutuel Pool) no show wagering was offered.

04-15-09⁷ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,191	\$ 296,044.80
NCOT	2,062	\$ 707,667.30
SCOT		\$ 400,900.10
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$ 970,996.80</u>
TOTAL	3,253	\$2,375,609.00

Thursday

04-16-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

Purse \$10,500. For California bred or California sired fillies and mares, three year olds and upward, claiming price \$6,250 at six furlongs was called off with three (3) entries.

04-16-09² **RULING NO. 69 – JAMES** (Case No: 09GG106)

Trainer **Greg James** appeared yesterday to address a positive test finding from the horse **BEAULAH FAY** who won the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on March 15, 2009. University of California, Davis Laboratories reported the presence of the prohibited (Class 4) drug substance, Methocarbamol (Roboxin).

Trainer James said the positive test was due to a 'mix-up' at his barn. He told the stewards that he was going to stop using this medication altogether. Trainer James last medication sanction was in January of 2008 at Golden Gate Fields. The stewards issued the following ruling:

Trainer **GREG C. JAMES**, who started the horse BEULAH FAY, winner of the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on March 15, 2009, is fined the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00)*

pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843(a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances: Prohibited Drug Substance; Methocarbamol – Class IV).

04-16-09³ **JOSE CONTRERAS FILM REVIEW**

Jockey **Jose Contreras** appeared in the stewards' office with his agent **Ramon Silva** to review race replays of the first race Sunday, April 12. (Ref: 04-12-09⁴)

The replays of this race show jockey Contreras whip his horse twice left handed at the ¼ pole while angling out into the path of third place finisher, #6 ICE CUBE (Omar Figueroa), forcing that rival to steady sharply. The stewards unanimously felt that jockey Contreras was negligent regarding this ride. He understood the reasons for the ruling issued below. Film review was supposed to be held yesterday but was not due to communication issues.

RULING NO. 70

Jockey **JOSE CONTRERAS**, who rode SENOR HAPPY in the first race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, April 12, 2009, is suspended three (3) racing days (April 22, 23 and 24, 2009) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course entering the stretch and causing interference; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules – careless riding).

The term of this suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California.

04-16-09⁴ **RULING NO. 71 – TANTILLO** (Case No: 98BM248)

In the matter of:

Owner **JOHN SAL TANTILLO**

Owner JOHN SAL TANTILLO, having now resolved the outstanding financial obligation to San Francisco Equine, is hereby restored to good standing and Bay Meadows Operating Company ruling #33, dated November 12, 1998, suspending Mr. Tantillo for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) is set aside.

The foregoing ruling was issued after the veterinarian clinic, **San Francisco Equine**, informed the stewards that all financial obligations in this matter have been resolved.

4-16-09⁵ **SMOOTH CARD**

Once again, there were no stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections on the day's card.

04-16-09⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,332	\$	291,471.60
NCOT	2,264	\$	678,722.00
SCOT		\$	414,460.20
<u>Out of State</u>			<u>\$1,045,946.14</u>
TOTAL	3,596	\$	2,430,599.94

Friday

04-17-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

Purse \$11,500. For California bred or California sired fillies and mares, three years old and upward, claiming price \$7,000 - \$8,000 at one mile and one sixteenth. This race failed to fill with one entry.

04-17-09² **PROSPECTIVE JOCKEY RETURNS**

Jockey Agent **Susan McBrayer** returned (Ref: 03-29-09³) to the stewards' office with prospective apprentice jockey **DIEGO SANCHEZ**. Questions regarding Sanchez' age have arisen. Photocopies of different birth certificates have been presented to the stewards. These copies have been passed along to CHRB investigators for closer examination. No apprentice jockey license has been issued to Diego Sanchez as of this date.

04-17-09³ **LATE SCRATCH – REFUND**

Track Veterinarian Heather Kerr recommended that the stewards scratch #2 REFUSAL (Chad Schvaneveldt) prior to the running of the first race due to soundness issues. This scratch led to a late refund of show pools (Refund: \$3625.96) as the field was reduced to four (4) starters.

04-17-09⁴ **INQUIRY – NO CHANGE – Sixth Race**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign following this race in order to observe the start. #2 **LATIN MINUTEMAN** (Jockey Barrington Harvey – Trainer Ellen Jackson) refused to leave the gate following dispatch by Interim Starter Gary Stensgar. The stewards reviewed films of the start to see if the #2 stall on the starting gate opened properly and to see if any human error contributed to what was later ruled a refusal. Following film review it was determined LATIN MINUTEMAN had no excuses and the stewards unanimously ruled that no refunds of wagers were warranted.

This same horse dwelt in its last start on February 13th at Golden Gate Fields. Interim Starter placed this horse on his 'starter's list' as it appears this horse may not be allowed to participate here the rest of the meet.

04-17-09⁵ **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

1 st race:	#2 REFUSAL	(Tr. Jack Van Berg)	unsound at gate
	Track Veterinarian Heather Kerr		REFUND: \$1,664.92
2 nd race:	#2 BUTTONS AND BOWS	(Tr. William Delia)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 249.48
4 th race:	#3 ACTION CALL	(Tr. Walther Solis)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 912.00
7 th race:	#2 EAGER PHARISIEN	(Tr. Clifford Delima)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 142.00

04-17-09⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,151	\$ 381,846.10
NCOT	2,290	\$ 776,622.60
SCOT		\$ 446,664.80
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$1,280,143.06</u>
TOTAL	3,441	\$2,885,276.56

Saturday04-18-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

Purse \$9,500. For California Bred or California sired maidens, fillies three years old, claiming price \$12,500, five and one-half furlongs went open with eleven (11) entries.

04-18-09² **RULING NO. 72 – ALLEN** (Case No. 08GG176)

Trainer **THOMAS ALLEN** is hereby suspended for failure to abide by the terms of a payment agreement with the Alameda County Fair which constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing

Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of THOMAS ALLEN are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The ruling above was issued after Alameda County Fair Stable Superintendent **Jim Burns** informed the stewards that trainer Thomas Allen has failed to abide by the terms of a signed 'Financial Complaint Agreement' that was dated January 9, 2009.

Trainer Thomas Allen had agreed to pay the Alameda County Fair \$1672.54 for delinquent stall rent. Attempts to contact Thomas Allen by Golden Gate Fields' stewards and Jim Burns have been unsuccessful.

04-18-09³

NEW RIDER

Jockey Agent **Brent Harmon** came to the stewards' office accompanied by **MICHEAL JAMES**, an apprentice jockey, who is from Glendora, California. James rode four (4) winners at Turfway Park last year. His last win was December 19, 2008. James is twenty-three (23) years old and has graduated from the first class of the **Chris McCarron Jockey School** in Kentucky.

04-18-09⁴

THOMAS PERKINS HEARING (Case No. 09GG019)

Owner **THOMAS PERKINS** failed to appear today for a formal hearing regarding alleged violations of California Horse Racing Board rule 1499 (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and rule 1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation). This hearing centered around the answering of the question on a CHRB license application, "Have you ever been convicted of an offense by a court?"

A forty-one (41) page complaint packet was prepared on this matter by CHRB Senior Special Investigator Barbara Chimero.

04-18-09⁵

SMOOTH CARD

Today's nine (9) race card went well as it was free of stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

The Golden Poppy Stakes (Purse \$75,000), where all horses carried 122 pounds, was a good race with a competitive field of nine (9). The James Cassidy trained MAID FOR MUSIC (Ire) won this race with jockey Frank Alvarado aboard.

04-18-09⁶

DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS

1 st race:	#3 NEWPORT LULU	(Tr. Jeffrey Metz)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$1,545.00
3 rd race:	#2 ROYAL GOLD CAT	(Tr. Sergio Ledezma)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 623.00
5 th race:	#4 STORMY VOW	(Tr. Steve Miyadi)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 641.80
6 th race:	#10 OUR STARDUST	(Tr. C. J. Jenda)	lame at gate
	Track Veterinarian Heather Kerr		REFUND: \$21,122.08
7 th race:	#1 ROMANCE IS ZENON	(Tr. Jeffrey Metz)	injured
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 164.00

04-18-09 ⁷	ATTENDANCE & HANDLE		
	GGF	2,704	\$ 626,086.90
	NCOT	3,788	\$1,411,161.90
	SCOT		\$ 731,198.10
	<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$1,467,838.34</u>
	TOTAL	6,492	\$4,236,285.24

Sunday

04-19-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

Purse \$9,500. For California Bred or California sired maidens, three years old, claiming price \$12,500, five and one half furlongs, went open with eleven (11) entries.

04-19-09² **RULING NO. 73 – PERKINS** (Ref: 04-18-09⁴)

Owner **THOMAS J. PERKINS**, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Golden Gate Fields on or before April 18, 2009, to answer charges of alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1489 (c) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) is hereby suspended pending appearance before the Board of Stewards for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of THOMAS J. PERKINS are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

This ruling was issued after owner **Thomas Perkins** failed to appear for a hearing scheduled yesterday.

04-19-09³ **BAZE – FOUR BAGGER**

Jockey Russell Baze extended his lead in the Golden Gate Fields jockey's race by booting home four (4) winners on the afternoon's card.

Since the December 26, 2008 opening, Jockey Baze has ridden one hundred thirty one (131) winners. Frank Alvarado is second in the jockey standing with seventy-nine (70) winners.

04-19-09⁴ **SMOOTH CARD**

Today's nine (9) race card went well as it was free of stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

04-19-09⁵ **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

3 rd race:	#3 ZIA ZOOM ZOOM	(Tr. Steve Miyadi)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 435.00
5 th race:	#9 MOMENT'S DREAM	(Tr. Bret H. Layne)	unsound (a.m.)
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 829.92
7 th race:	#5 MR. NEGOTITOR	(Tr. Doug Utley)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 114.40
9 th race:	#3 SOTTOVOCE	(Tr. Genaro Vallejo)	injured
	Official Veterinarian Joan Hurley		REFUND: \$2587.44

04-19-09⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	4,628	\$ 737,557.00
NCOT	3,171	\$1,157,770.50
SCOT		\$ 767,767.40
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$1,425,577.40</u>
TOTAL	7,799	\$4,088,672.30

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

ATTENDANCE REPORT – The full Board of Stewards was in attendance each racing 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
15-Apr	1	3	MADEAR	Evans	sick	Isbell	\$58.00
	2	1	SCANDALOUS	Hollendorfer	sick	Isbell	\$534.00
17-Apr	1	2	REFUSAL	Van Berg	unsound at gate	Kerr	\$1,664.92
	2	2	BUTTONS AND BOWS	Delia	sick	Isbell	\$249.48
	4	3	ACTION CALL	Solis	sick	Isbell	\$912.00
	7	2	EAGER PHARISIEN	Delima	sick	Isbell	\$142.00
18-Apr	1	3	NEWPORT LULU	Metz	sick	Isbell	\$1,545.00
	3	2	ROYAL GOLD CAT	Ledezma	sick	Isbell	\$623.00
	5	4	STORMY VOW	Miyadi	sick	Isbell	\$641.80
	6	10	OUR STARDUST	Jenda	unsound at gate	Kerr	\$21,122.80
	7	1	ROMANCE IS ZENON	Metz	injured	Isbell	\$164.00
19-Apr	3	3	ZIA ZOOM ZOOM	Miyadi	sick	Isbell	\$435.00
	5	2	ISLAND DRIFTER	Glatt	sick	Isbell	\$361.00
		9	MOMENT'S DREAM	Layne	unsound	Isbell	\$829.92
	7	5	MR. NEGOTIATOR	Utley	sick	Isbell	\$114.40
	9	3	SOTTOVOCE	Vallejo	injured		\$2,587.44

VETERINARY REPORT**Euthanized / Died**

04-19-08 Archie T (Tr. Jerry Weaver) died in recovery stall post op

Veterinarian's List

There were twenty-eight (28) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 11
Injured: 3
Unsound: 14
Bled: 0

There were thirteen (13) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 9
Injured: 1
Unsound: 1
Bled: 1
Medication: 1

Shockwave Therapy: There was one (1) shockwave therapy treatment reported.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	153	\$52,970.10
Bakersfield	419	\$125,470.60
Eureka	72	\$40,284.90
Fresno	351	\$140,416.70
Fresno Club One	94	\$63,726.80
Monterey	387	\$144,807.10
Pleasanton	1852	\$674,652.50
Sacramento	1506	\$514,900.80
San Jose	1732	\$609,209.40
San Mateo	3608	\$1,437,870.60
Santa Rosa	826	\$175,970.40
Stockton	1119	\$302,166.50
Tulare	246	\$75,469.80
Turlock	459	\$148,293.80
Vallejo	786	\$225,734.30
So. California		\$2,760,990.60
Out of State		\$6,190,501.74

	15-Apr	16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	WEEK	Meet
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
CAL-BRED RACES	1	0	0	0	0	1	7
CLAIMS	5	2	1	0	1	9	153
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	0	0	1	0	0	1	31
REFUNDS	2	0	4	5	5	16	243
RULINGS	0	3	0	1	1	5	73

Respectfully submitted,

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