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Golden Gate Fields
Albany, California

Report of the Board of Stewards

To the California Horse Racing Board

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Report for the period Sunday, May 1, 2011 through Saturday, May 7, 2011.

Sunday

05-01-11¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-bred race for four year olds and older, claiming price \$7,000 to \$8,000, one mile and one sixteenth, failed to fill.

05-01-11² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

2nd race: #4 CATONNIER (Tr. Jerry Weaver) unsound
Track Veterinarian Sara Sporer REFUND: \$28,064.05

9th race: #5 SRIRACHA (Tr. J. B. Josephson) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 273.20

05-01-11³ **RULING NO. 65 – PINON** (11GG128)

Association Employee **BRENT BAEZA PINON**, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards Golden Gate Fields on or before Saturday, April 30, 2011, to answer charges of alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1489 (a) (h) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License), is hereby suspended pending appearance before the Board of Stewards for violation of CHRB rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of BRENT BAEZA PINON 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 foregoing ruling was issued as Mr. Pinion failed to appear in response to a complaint filed against him by the California Horse Racing Board. The complaint alleges Mr. Pinion violated his court ordered probation for a felony (cocaine) conviction.

Mr. Pinion's probation was revoked on January 10, 2011 and he was sentenced to two years in San Quentin.

05-01-11⁴ **RULING NO. 66 – COUTON**

Jockey **JULIEN COUTON**, who rode **FLAMMABLE BOOM** in the ninth race at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, April 30, 2011, is suspended three (3) racing days (May 8, 12 and 13, 2011) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to third; 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.

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Couton and the stewards reviewed the video of the ninth race from Saturday, April 30, 2011.

Mr. Couton acknowledged he was remiss in the failing to correct his mount, who was drifting out under left handed whipping.

05-01-11⁵ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	4,774	\$	642,651.90
NCOT	2,822	\$	939,496.50
SCOT		\$	572,288.50
Out of State		\$	<u>937,857.52</u>
TOTAL	7,596	\$	3,092,294.42

Wednesday

05-04-11 **DARK DAY**

Steward Darrel McHargue was in attendance on this non-racing day to handle entries for Saturday, May 7, 2011 and scratches for tomorrow, May 5.

Thursday

05-05-11¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-bred race for fillies and mares, three years old and older, claiming price \$18,000 - \$20,000, five and one half furlongs, was used with six entries.

05-05-11² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

3 rd race:	#3 UNIONIZE	(Tr. Willam E. Morey)	injured
	Track Veterinarian Sara Sporer	REFUND:	\$881.24
4 th race:	#1a DREAM OF DAISY	(Tr. Clifford Delima)	unsound
	Track Veterinarian Sara Sporer	NO REFUND – Part of entry	
	#4 LAST OF THE BLUES	(Tr. Chuck Stansfield)	sick
	Track Veterinarian Sara Sporer	REFUND:	\$216.10
8 th race:	#2 SUMART TIZZY	(Tr. Eddie Rich)	sick
	Track Veterinarian Sara Sporer	REFUND:	\$ 98.70

05-05-11³ **RULING NO. 67 – VALDIVIA** (11GG129)

Security Guard **JAMARR VALDIVIA**, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Golden Gate Fields on or before Sunday, May 1, 2011, to answer charges of alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1489 (a) (h) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing), is hereby suspended pending appearance before the Board of Stewards for violation of CHRB rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of JAMARR VALDIVIA 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 foregoing ruling was issued as Mr. Valdivia failed to appear in response to a complaint alleging a recent (02-17-11) felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine).

05-05-11⁴ **RULING NO. 68 – LEDEZMA**

Trainer **SERGIO P. LEDEZMA** is fined the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for failure to properly report the gelding of the horse **TOPPERAZZI** which started in the fifth race on April 29, 2011 at Golden Gate Fields; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1865 (Altering of Sex of Horse).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Ledezma met with the stewards and admitted he was solely responsible for failing to notify the racing office that his horse had been gelded since his previous race.

05-05-11⁵ **RULING #51 – (Amended) ALEXANDER SYWAK**

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Decision and Order dated April 28, 2011, denying the petition for reconsideration of penalty, Trainer **ALEXANDER SYWAK**, who started the horse **DON'TBLOCKTHESHOT**, third place finisher in the eighth race on November 13, 2010, is suspended thirty (30) days, May 12, 2011 through June 10, 2011, and fined the sum of three Thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), #1894 (Duties of Trainer) and #1844 (e) (9) & (f) (Authorized Medication; Clenbuterol – in excess of permitted level – Blood 60 pg/ml & Urine 7.9 ng/ml [Class 3]).

During the term of this suspension, all licenses and license privileges of ALEXANDER SYWAK 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 foregoing ruling was issued after the Board of Stewards received a Decision and Order (Case No. SAC 11-0009) from the California Horse Racing Board that the stay order of Board of Stewards Ruling #51, Pacific Racing Association dated April 1, 2011, is vacated and shall become effective May 12, 2011 as ordered on April 28, 2011.

05-05-11⁶ **KENDRA McALLISTER** (11GG140)
The complaint filed against pony rider **Kendra McAllister** by jockey agent **Joe Griffin** alleging a debt of \$7,100 (personal loan) for the purchase of three ponies in May of 2009, was dismissed as the transaction that took place over twelve months ago does not meet the criteria of California Horse Racing Board rule 1876.

05-05-11⁷ **MUTUEL DELAY**
There was a five minute delay in the start of the first race as a problem with the hub in Sacramento was causing communication issues.

Mutuel Manager Bryan Wayte indicated that a telecommunication overload at the hub was responsible for the brief delay and no further problems were anticipated.

05-05-11⁸ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,427	\$	269,641.50
NCOT	2,038	\$	686,034.70
SCOT		\$	327,754.40
Out of State		\$	1,171,925.44
TOTAL	3,465	\$	2,455,356.04

Friday

05-06-11¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**
The Cal-Bred race for maidens, three years old and older, claiming price \$18,000 - \$20,000, five and one half furlongs, failed to fill.

05-06-11² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

2 nd race:	#4 WARREN'S ROCK ART	(Tr. O. J. Jauregui)	injured
	Track Veterinarian Sara Sporer		REFUND: \$361.00
7 th race:	#6 MADERIA	(Tr. William Delia)	injured
	Track Veterinarian Sara Sporer		EFUND: \$103.00
	#12 HEAVENLY WIND	(Tr. Kent R. Molinaro)	also eligible
	Stewards		REFUND: \$322.46

05-06-11³ **JOCKEY'S ROOM STAFF**
Clerk of Scales **Kenneth Sjoldal**, Assistant Clerk of Scales **Ross Allardyce** and Valet **Jay Frey** met with the stewards regarding the latter's tardiness in reporting to the paddock for the saddling of the horses. Mr. Frey has been fined twice during this current meeting for not arriving to saddle his horse in a timely manner.

The veteran valet stated he simply didn't hear the call for the valets to report to the paddock for the fourth race on May 5, 2011, apologized and accepted the penalty imposed.

Mr. Sjoldal and Mr. Allardyce, who have been advised on previous occasions to make sure all valets leave the room, at or about the same time, when called to the paddock for the saddling of horses are aware of their shared responsibility and accepted their penalties.

Rulings forthcoming.

05-06-11⁴ **CLEAR RACING**
The afternoon racing program was conducted without any noteworthy incidents.

05-06-11 ³	ATTENDANCE & HANDLE		
	GGF	2,099	\$ 458,419.60
	NCOT	3,871	\$1,129,912.60
	SCOT		\$ 339,605.50
	Out of State		\$ 936,490.98
	TOTAL	5,970	\$2,864,428.68

Saturday

05-07-11¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-bred race for fillies and mares, four years old and older, claiming price \$10,500 - \$12,500, six furlongs, failed to fill.

05-07-11² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

5th race: #13 SMOKIN DIXI (Tr. Ronda B. Davis) enter-back
 Stewards REFUND: \$ 41.00
 #14 BALLESTERO (Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer) also eligible
 Stewards REFUND: \$ 240.00
 8th race: #1 STREET CAR (Tr. Steve Sherman) sick
 Track Veterinarian Sara Sporer REFUND: \$1062.24

05-07-11³ **RULINGS NO. 69 – FREY / NO. 70 – SJORDAL / NO. 71 – ALLARDYCE**

Exercise Rider/Valet **JAY FREY** is fined two hundred dollars (\$200.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered) for being late to the saddling paddock for the fourth race on Thursday, May 5, 2011 at Golden Gate Fields (third offense).

Clerk of Scales **KENNETH N. SJORDAL** is fined fifty dollars (\$50.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered) for failure to conduct his business in a proper manner on May 5, 2011.

Assistant Clerk of Scales **ROSS A. ALLARDYCE** is fined fifty dollars (\$50.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered) for failure to conduct his business in a proper manner on May 5, 2011.

The foregoing rulings were issued as a result of the informal hearing held on May 6, 2011.

Each individual accepted their share of responsibility in failing to perform their duties in a business like manner.

05-07-11⁴ **INQUIRY / OBJECTION - DISQUALIFICATION – Fifth Race**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign following the fifth race for a review of the stretch run.

In addition, jockey Abel Cedillo, who finished eleventh on #4 HAMONIC MOTION, lodged a claim of foul against #8 MAJESTIC AMERICAN (Diego Sanchez) ninth.

After a thorough review the stewards disqualified #2 DRIVEN BY DOLLARS (Julien Couton) from seventh to eleventh for drifting out and forcing #10 EXCESSIVE YODELER (twelfth) and #8 MAJESTIC AMERICAN into the path of #4 HAMONIC MOTION, forcing the latter to check sharply off heels.

05-07-11⁴ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	6,979	\$1,501,610.00
NCOT	12,577	\$3,500,791.30
SCOT		\$1,009,843.90
Out of State		\$1,403,972.80
TOTAL	19,556	\$7,416,218.00

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. Steward Darrel McHargue was in attendance on the non-racing day (05/04) to handle entries and scratches.

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
1-May	2	4	CATONNIER	Weaver	unsound	Sporer	\$28,064.05
	9	5	SRIRACHA	Josephson	sick	Isbell	\$273.20
5-May	3	3	UNIONIZE	Morey	injured	Sporer	\$881.24
	4	1a	DREAM OF DAISY	Delima	unsound	Sporer	Part of Entry
		4	LAST OF THE BLUES	Stansfield	sick	Sporer	\$216.10
	8	2	SUMART TIZZY	Rich	sick	Sporer	\$98.70
6-May	2	4	WARREN'S ROCK ART	Jauregui	injured	Sporer	\$361.00
	7	6	MADERIA	Delia	injured	Sporer	\$103.00
7-May	8	1	STREET CAR	Sherman	sick	Sporer	\$1,062.24

VETERINARY REPORT

Euthanized / Died

05-01-11 Hammett Island (Tr. Thomas) fractured left front fetlock; training – dirt (Pleasanton)

05-01-11 Powerscourt Lad (Tr. Jenda) comminuted fracture left MCIII; training – Tapeta

05-05-11 Moons Pride (Tr. Sherman) dropped dead pulling up after work; Tapeta

05-05-11 Quick Reference (Tr. Pederson) fractured left knee; training – Tapeta

Veterinarian's List

There were seventeen (17) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 4
 Injured: 4
 Unsound: 7
 Bled: 1
 Medication: 1

There were three (3) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 1
 Unsound: 1
 Medication: 1

Shockwave Therapy: There were no shockwave therapy treatments reported.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	296	\$62,977.80
Bakersfield	1107	\$206,411.30
Fresno	932	\$217,914.20
Fresno Club One	143	\$97,027.90
Monterey	814	\$255,860.70
Pleasanton	2850	\$915,142.70
Sacramento	2895	\$726,636.70
San Jose	2709	\$844,960.90
San Mateo	4193	\$1,770,703.90
Santa Rosa	1923	\$356,901.40
Stockton	1752	\$393,086.10
Tulare	528	\$128,649.30
Turlock	916	\$213,652.40
Vallejo	1182	\$364,554.70
So. California		\$2,249,492.30
Out of State		\$4,450,246.74

	1-May	5-May	6-May	7-May	WEEK	Meet
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0	0	8
CAL-BRED RACES	0	1	0	0	1	6
CLAIMS	1	2	4	1	8	128
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	0	1	1	7
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	0	0	0	1	1	36
REFUNDS	2	3	3	3	11	229
RULINGS	2	2	0	3	7	71

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Nevin, Steward

John B. Herbuveaux, Steward

Darrel McHargue, Steward

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