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Report for the period Wednesday, April 2, 2014 through Sunday, April 6, 2014.

Wednesday

04-02-14¹

DARK DAY

Steward Dennis Nevin was on hand yesterday for entries, scratches and office matters that did not require a quorum.

Thursday

04-03-14¹

EARLY DECLARATIONS

5 th race: #8 MOLLIE O	(Tr. William Delia)		off turf
Stewards		REFUND: \$	175.20
#9 PRIMAL DESIRE	(Tr. Jamey Thomas)		off turf
Stewards		REFUND: \$	91.20
6 th race: #2 CONVINCED HIMSELF	(Tr. Rene Amesuca)		sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$	266.40
#5 BANG BANGER	(Tr. Ellen Jackson)		sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$	141.40
7 th race: #7 SHEZA TRIP	(Tr. William Delia)		off turf
Stewards		REFUND: \$	1499.10

04-03-14²

LEE RULING (CASE #14GG0025)

RULING NO.50

Pony Person/Horse Transporter **JENNIFER A. LEE**, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Golden Gate Fields on or before Saturday, March 29, 2014, is here-

by suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer charges alleging violation of CHRB rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility).

The above ruling was issued when Ms. Lee failed to appear to address a complaint alleging she owes \$1350.00 to Lorenzo Contreras who was employed by her as a van driver.

04-03-14³ **GOMEZ RULING**

NO.51

Trainer **RUBEN GOMEZ** is fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for failure to be present in the paddock to saddle his horses LOST IN THE PARADE and MR. SATISFACTION in the second race on Sunday, March 30, 2014; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1894 (Duties of Trainer).

The above ruling was published after Gomez contacted the Stewards by phone this morning and explained traffic problems last Sunday prevented him from arriving in time to saddle his horses.

04-03-14⁴ **ON AGAIN – OFF AGAIN**

Today was scheduled to be the return of turf racing after months of reseeding and regeneration. The weather failed to cooperate and precipitation on the off days pushed the spring debut back – at least one more day.

04-03-14⁵ **STEWARDS INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – SECOND RACE – NO CHANGE**

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review the start of #2 SUMMER STORY, ridden by Silvio Amador and trained by Andy Mathis, after Amador and the first time starter parted company soon after the field left the gate. After a thorough review the Stewards affirmed the original order of finish.

Tapes showed that #1 GO WHEELER GO drifted out a bit at the start in front of SUMMER STORY then leveled off. SUMMER STORY stepped in, while being out-run, and ticked a heel of GO WHEELER GO. The contact caused Amador to lose his balance and fall. The horse jumped the inside dogs at the ¾ chute and went the wrong way up the track. GO SUMMER GO exited the track by leaping over the outside rail at the 7/8 gap. Neither horse nor rider suffered any ill effects from the incident. An accident report is attached. SUMMER STORY will need a gate work before reentering.

04-03-14⁶ **STEWARDS INQUIRY – SEVENTH RACE – DISQUALIFICATION**

The Stewards lit the Inquiry lamp after observing the winner, #5 UNIQUE SUANCES, Kyle Frey up, drift out throughout the stretch drive. UNIQUE SUANCES drifted out, took the second place horse, #9 SUMMERS DIGNITY, ridden by William Antongeorgi III, off his path at the 1/8 and later, at the 1/16, UNIQUE SUANCES bore out again and bumped SUMMERS DIGNITY. Since the margin between the two was only a head at the wire the Stewards determined the incident cost SUMMER DIGNITY a chance at the win. UNIQUE SUANCES was disqualified from first and placed second behind SUMMERS DIGNITY. Frey will view the tapes of the race with the Stewards in the morning.

Original Order of Finish: (5) – 9 – 1 – 2
Official Order of Finish: 9 – (5) – 1 – 2

04-03-14⁷ **CLAIM VOIDED**
 A claim for #5 UNIQUE SUANCES in the seventh race deposited by trainer Kent Molinaro was voided by the Stewards after Official Veterinarian Forest Franklin diagnosed the mare as lame in the rear and placed her on the Veterinarian's List.

04-03-14⁸ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	956	\$ 244,546.30
NCOT	1732	\$ 606,569.90
SCOT		\$ 297,703.00
Out of State		\$1,044,876.83
TOTAL		\$2,193,696.03

Friday

04-04-14¹ **EARLY DECLARATION**
 4th race: #6 HAVOC (Tr. Allen Rogers) sick
 Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 408.10

04-04-14² **FILM REVIEW**
 Jockey Kyle Frey reviewed yesterday's seventh race with the Stewards where his mount was disqualified from first to second. Frey acknowledged that he was more focused on getting to the wire first than on keeping his mount on a straight path and accepted the penalty imposed below:

RULING NO.52

Jockey **KYLE FREY** who rode **UNIQUE SUANCES** in the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on Thursday, April 3, 2014 is suspended three (3) racing days (April 11, 12 and 13, 2014) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in a disqualification of his mount from first to second place; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules - Careless Riding).

04-04-14³ **BAKER HEARING (CASE #14SA011)**
 A formal hearing was held this morning for trainer David Wayne Baker to address a complaint filed by California Horse Racing Board Investigator Mike Bridges alleging that Baker violated CHRB rules #1633 (b) (1) (Release of Certificates of Registration). The complaint arose when a former owner of Baker's, Kayleeta Robinson, maintained that Baker removed a set of papers from the racing office to prevent the horse BELLISME from racing. Baker countered that he mailed the papers to Robinson's southern California trainer Daniel Dunham. Disposition to follow.

04-04-14⁴ **STEWARDS INQUIRY – FIRST RACE - DISQUALIFIED**
 The Stewards displayed the inquiry sign after observing the place horse, #3 GO ON RED, ridden by Kyle Frey, drift out in the stretch causing the show horse, #5 SIDEPOCKET KID, Catalino Martinez up, to steady and lose ground. After a thorough review the Stewards disqualified GO ON RED from second and placed him third behind SIDEPOCKET KID.
 Tapes showed that Frey allowed his mount to drift out in the stretch causing a rival to steady and cost that horse the opportunity at a better placing.

Original Order of Finish: 2 – (3) – 5 – 4

Official Order of Finish: 2 – 5 – (3) – 4

04-04-14⁵ **CLAIM VOIDED – FIFTH RACE**

A claim deposited by Kent Molinaro for #2 SIMPLY SHARP was voided by the Stewards after Official Veterinarian Dr. Franklin diagnosed the horse as lame and placed him on the Vet's List.

04-04-14⁶**SEVENTH RACE – STEWARDS INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign to evaluate the stretch run involving the winner, #6 BLACKFORD (Russell Baze), the place horse, #8 TRIBAL AGAIN (Dennis Carr), and the show horse #3 OCCUPY VANCOUVER (Catalino Martinez). Jockey Dennis Carr also lodged an objection against the winner. After a thorough review the Stewards affirmed the original order of finish.

Tapes showed that near the 1/8 OCCUPY VANCOUVER drifted out in the lane and caused BLACKFORD to shift out which, in turn, caused TRIBAL AGAIN to steady. Both BLACKFORD and TRIBAL AGAIN went on to out finish OCCUPY VANCOUVER so no disqualification was warranted. Catalino Martinez will view the tapes of the race with the Stewards in the morning.

04-04-14⁷**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	848	\$ 265,299.70
NCOT	2027	\$ 663,516.00
SCOT		\$ 256,813.90
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$ 703,829.75</u>
TOTAL		\$1,889,459.35

Saturday04-05-14¹**DECLARATIONS - REFUNDS**

6 th race: #10 LATITUDEFORTYTWO	(Tr. Mike Larson)		off turf
Stewards		REFUND: \$	46.80
8 th race: #4 TIZ PARTNERS	(Tr. Monty Meier)		off turf
Stewards		REFUND: \$	135.30
9 th race: #4 STRONG ALEX CAT	(Tr. Alex Paszkeicz)		sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$	82.40
#7 LOST IN THE PARADE	(Tr. Ruben Gomez)		sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$	43.00

04-05-14²**MARTINEZ HEARING (CASE #14GG0026)**

The Stewards conducted an informal hearing for owner Nelson Martinez who was the subject of a complaint filed by his former trainer Jonathon Feron alleging \$695.00 due on a training bill. After learning neither party had sufficient evidence to support their claims and counter claims the Stewards helped engineer a compromise figure of \$210.00. Martinez promised to have a cashier's check on the Stewards desk by April 12th.

04-05-14³**FILM REVIEW**

Jockeys Kyle Frey and Catalino Martinez appeared this morning to review films from yesterday's races. Frey for the first where his mount was disqualified and Martinez for the seventh race where his number was allowed to stand. Both caused interference in their respective races but in Martinez' case the horse behind him was not cost a placing. Both riders admitted they left their path and drifted into a rival's and the following rulings were issued. In Frey's case the penalty imposed was more punitive because he received a suspension yesterday for the same type of violation.

RULING NO.53

Jockey **CATALINO MARTINEZ**, who rode **OCCUPY VANCOUVER** in the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on April 4, 2014, is suspended

five (5) racing days (April 12, 13, 18, 19 and 20, 2014) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course at the top of the stretch and causing interference; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules – careless riding).

RULING NO.54

Jockey **KYLE FREY** who rode **GO ON RED** in the first race at Golden Gate Fields on Friday, April 4, 2014 is suspended seven (7) racing days (April 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27 and May 1, 2014) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in a disqualification of his mount from second to third place; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules - Careless Riding).

While meeting with the Stewards Frey explained he was seeking counseling for some personal problems. The Stewards evaluated the situation and decided Frey should not ride for the foreseeable future. To be continued.

04-05-14⁵

STEWARDS INQUIRY – FIFTH RACE – DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards illuminated the inquiry sign to evaluate the start of #5 TAYLORED TO WIN with Cristobal Herrera in the saddle. After a thorough review the Stewards disqualified TAYLORED TO WIN from fourth to sixth. Tapes showed that TAYLORED TO WIN broke out severely at the start and bumped #6 JULIAN P (5th, Alejandro Gomez) who then impeded #7 WHITE FRONT FREDDY (6th, William Antongeorgi III). The Stewards determined that incident cost both JULIAN P and WHITE FRONT FREDDY the opportunity at a better placing and effected the disqualification. Herrera will view the tapes of the horse with the Stewards in the morning.

Original Order of Finish: 2 – 4 – 1 – (5) – 6 – 7 – 3

Official Order of Finish: 2 – 4 - 1 – 6 – 7 – (5) - 3

04-05-14⁶

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

GGF	2143	\$1,505,269.90
NCOT	3677	\$ 490,916.60
SCOT		\$ 621,496.80
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$ 888,275.72</u>
TOTAL		\$ 3,505,959.02

Sunday

04-06-14¹

EARLY DECLARATIONS

3 rd race: #4 TWAINE'S TITAN	(Tr. Monty Meier)	off turf
Stewards	REFUND: \$	220.00
#5 TROPICAL HEAT	(Tr. William Delia)	off turf
Stewards	REFUND: \$	247.10
#7 SCORCHER	(Tr. Adam Kitchingman)	off turf
Stewards	REFUND: \$	372.10
4 th race: #4 TRIBAL DELIGHT	(Tr. Cliff DeLima)	injured
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$	140.00
6 th race: #9 URAROCKSTARBABY	(Tr. Sam DiLaura)	off turf
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$	76.70
7 th race: #4 KOBY JO	(Tr. Llyod Mason)	sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$	242.80
8 th race: #5 EMERALD MISS	(Tr. Ricardo Perez)	off turf
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell	REFUND: \$	208.20

04-06-14²

FILM REVIEW

Jockey Cristobal Herrera was in to view the start of the fifth race where his mount was disqualified for causing interference. Herrera was able to demonstrate, via the tapes, the efforts he made to correct his horse's outward lunge and was held blameless.

04-06-14³**BAKER DECISION (REFER 04-04-14³)**

After due deliberation the Stewards dismissed the complaint against trainer D. Wayne Baker. The testimony and evidence presented failed to support the allegation that Baker removed the foal certificate from the racing office to prevent Kayleeta Robinson's horse from racing.

04-06-14⁴**LATE SCRATCH – 4th RACE**

#2 LUCKY MOMENT, trained by Lloyd Mason, was scratched on the recommendation of Dr. Sporer after she reported the filly flipped in the paddock. On Vet's List. The refund amounted to \$1552.77.

04-06-14⁵**SEVENTH RACE – STEWARDS INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign to investigate the cause of an incident at the 5/16 after #2 SCARLET STRIKE, ridden by Frank Alvarado, checked while racing along the rail. After a thorough review the Stewards made the original order of finish official.

The race tapes were inconclusive in determining why Alvarado checked his mount. Alvarado maintained that the outside horses came in and reduced his racing room. Tapes showed room along the rail before and after the incident but camera angles were insufficient to substantiate Alvarado's statements.

04-06-14⁶**VOIDED CLAIMS**

Two claims in the ninth race were voided after each was diagnosed as lame by Official Veterinarian Forest Franklin and placed on the Vet's List. Trainer Nick Sloan attempted to halter #1 NORTH OF DIXIE while John F. Martin tried in vain to purchase #4 CRICKET STAR.

04-06-14⁷**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	4146	\$ 526,594.30
NCOT	2458	\$ 857,763.20
SCOT		\$ 422,761.50
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$ 831,907.77</u>
TOTAL		\$ 2,639,026.77

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

Anderson	102	\$32,981.20
Bakersfield	0	\$0.00
Bankers Casino	66	\$16,638.20
Eureka	0	\$0.00
Fresno	342	\$107,498.40
Fresno Club One	94	\$55,987.20
Monterey	235	\$63,764.60
Pleasanton	1341	\$524,315.10
Sacramento	1155	\$418,469.90
San Jose	1436	\$449,301.70
San Mateo	2526	\$1,168,438.90
Santa Rosa	835	\$180,492.20
Stockton	778	\$237,413.80
Tulare	0	\$0.00
Turlock	335	\$106,896.00
Vallejo	648	\$237,141.20
So. California		\$1,639,156.20
Out of State		\$3,658,758.19

Respectfully submitted,

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