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## CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD



### PACIFIC RACING ASSOCIATION

Golden Gate Fields  
 Albany, California

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

Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor  
 Honorable Charles Winner, Chairman  
 Honorable Richard A. Rosenberg, Vice Chairman  
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 Honorable Steve Beneto, Member  
 Honorable Jesse H. Choper, Member  
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 Robert B. Miller, Chief Counsel CHRB

Report for the period Wednesday May 11, 2016 through Sunday May 15, 2016.

#### **WEDNESDAY**

05-11-2016<sup>1</sup>

#### **ENTRIES FOR SATURDAY AND SCRATCHES FOR THURSDAY**

Steward John Herbuveaux was on duty for today's entries and scratches.

#### **THURSDAY**

05-12-2016<sup>1</sup>

#### **OROZCO HEARING-CASE 16GG0052**

Jockey Irving Orozco appeared to answer charges of a urine positive for Marijuana in the amount of 63 ng/ml. The threshold level is 50 ng/ml for Quest Labs to call a positive. Mr. Orozco stated that he had smoked Marijuana approximately three weeks prior to giving a test sample. Mr. Orozco agreed to take another test today. A decision will be rendered following receipt of results of the test. Mr. Orozco has had a history of drug abuse but has been trying to straighten out his life. He has been attending meetings and is under contract with the Winners Foundation. Nora Lee was present and will keep this Board informed of Mr. Orozco's progress, decision to follow.

05-12-2016<sup>2</sup>

#### **PROGRAM CHANGES**

None

05-12-2016<sup>3</sup>

#### **GOOD RACING**

Today's seven race card was conducted without incident.

05-12-2016<sup>4</sup>

#### **HANDLE-ATTENDANCE**

GGF	737	\$151,697.50
NCOT	1466	\$476,551.10
SCOT		\$267,088.50
<u>OUT OF STATE</u>		<u>\$724,526.42</u>
TOTAL		\$1,619,863.52

**FRIDAY**

05-13-2016<sup>1</sup> **ARRIAGA RE-INSTATEMENT (REF 05/06/2016<sup>2</sup>)**

**#102**

Jockey **Jesus Arriaga** having made arrangements to satisfy the outstanding financial obligation to the Paymaster of Purses at the Sonoma County Fair (Santa Rosa) is hereby restored to good standing and Pacific Racing Association ruling #98, dated May 6, 2016, suspending Mr. Arriaga for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1760 (Purse Award or Prize to Be Withheld) is set aside.

The above ruling was issued after Arriaga paid half the debt today and agreed to pay the other half next week.

05-13-2016<sup>2</sup> **MEDINA HEARING CASE 16GG0019 (REF 04/23/2016<sup>1</sup>-04/22/2016<sup>2</sup>)**

A formal hearing was finally held today concerning the misappropriation of a riding crop by Jockey Luis Medina.

Present at the hearing was Jockey Luis Medina along with his current (new) attorney Brian Pitnick. California Horse Racing Board Counsel Phillip Laird presented the case. Investigator Louis Quezada and Jockey Barrington Harvey testified on behalf of the Board. Steve Lozano was sworn in as interpreter for Mr. Medina.

This case has been delayed on three previous occasions with Mr. Medina being suspended on April 23, 2016 for failing to appear after allegedly missing a flight from Washington State. Mr. Medina has been suspended since that date.

The primary facts in the case are that Mr. Medina claimed a crop turned in by the track crew as his own and he took possession of it. It was subsequently discovered that the crop possibly belonged to fellow rider Barrington Harvey. After extensive investigation, investigator Louis Quezada revealed that the crop in question was in fact jockey Harvey's. Quezada's testimony indicated that Medina was not immediately forthcoming with information concerning the riding crop by insisting it was his and given to him by Jockey Silvio Amador. Mr. Medina related through his attorney that he accepts the fact the riding crop is not his. Jockey Harvey was given the crop at the conclusion of the hearing.

Ruling to follow....

05-13-2016<sup>3</sup> **PRGORAM CHANGES**

**REFUNDS**

4 <sup>th</sup> Race: #6 Jicama (Trainer Ricardo Perez)	
Sick-DVM Isbell	See Below
4 <sup>th</sup> Race: #7 Dee The Loyalist (Trainer Vod Farris)	
Injured-DVM Isbell	\$94.60
7 <sup>th</sup> Race: #1 Bev's Finale (Trainer William Delia)	
Sick-DVM Isbell	See Below
7 <sup>th</sup> Race: #4 George's Main Man (Trainer Vod Farris)	
Unsound post parade-DVM Sporer	\$8,975.89

05-13-2016<sup>4</sup> **STEWARDS REVIEW 7<sup>TH</sup> RACE**

The Stewards reviewed the actions of #6 Colorado Strong (Alejandro Gomez) around the turn near the 5/16 pole. The public was shown the replay and #6 is clearly trying to "get out" causing its own problem. No reason for further inquiry.

05-13-2016<sup>5</sup> **HANDLE-ATTENDANCE**

GGF	848	\$230,569.60
NCOT	1824	\$571,832.00
SCOT		\$326,014.20
<u>OUT OF STATE</u>		<u>\$1,021,906.35</u>
TOTAL		\$2,150,322.10

**SATURDAY**05-14-2016<sup>1</sup>**PROGRAM CHANGES**

6<sup>th</sup> Race: #1 Devil Cat (Trainer Dale Raymond)  
 Unsound in Post Parade-DVM Sporer  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race: #9 Qiona (Trainer Ed Moger, Jr.)  
 Sick-DVM Isbell

**REFUNDS**

\$10,679.20

\$476.36

05-14-2016<sup>2</sup>**MEDINA RULING****#103**

IN THE MATTER OF: )

Case #16GG0019

Jockey Luis A Medina )

Having now appeared and a hearing having been held, Pacific Racing Association ruling #88 dated April 23, 2016, suspending Luis A. Medina for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) is hereby set aside and the license privileges of Mr. Medina are restored to good standing.

Further Mr. Medina is fined the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)\* and suspended fifteen (15) days for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing-Misappropriation of Property). With respect to the suspension, Mr. Medina is given credit for time served.

The above ruling was issued after weighing the facts presented in yesterday's hearing.

05-14-2016<sup>3</sup>**BAZE RETURNS**

Perennial leading rider Russell Baze returned to the saddle today after a long layoff due to a broken collar bone. Baze, true to form, won on his first mount back when he piloted odds on favorite Lizzy Marini to victory in today's fourth race for trainer Jonathan Wong.

05-14-2016<sup>4</sup>**CLAIM VOIDED**

A claim deposited by Trainer Salvador Naranjo for #4 Lizzy Marini was voided after Veterinarian Forrest Franklin deemed the mare unsound on the left front. "Lizzy Marini" was placed on the Veterinarian's List and returned to the barn of Trainer Jonathan Wong.

05-14-2016<sup>5</sup>**HANDLE -ATTENDANCE**

GGF	1924	\$397,567.20
NCOT	2523	\$940,349.40
SCOT		\$547,964.70
OUT OF STATE		<u>\$1,241,374.52</u>
TOTAL		\$3,127,255.80

**SUNDAY**05-15-2016<sup>1</sup>**CALM MORNING**

This morning's activities were routine dealing with scratches, changes and transfers. No hearings were scheduled.

05-15-2016<sup>2</sup>**PROGRAM CHANGES**

5<sup>th</sup> Race: #4 Meet Miss Kitty (Trainer Clifford DeLima)  
 Sick-DVM Isbell  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race: #3 Merle (Trainer Debbie Winick)  
 Sick-DVM Isbell  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race: #2 Royal Chavela (Meagan Davenport)  
 Sick-DVM Isbell

**REFUNDS**

\$240.00

\$143.66

\$64.87

05-15-2016<sup>3</sup> **9<sup>TH</sup> RACE INQUIRY-DISQUALIFICATION**

The inquiry sign was posted to review an incident in deep stretch involving the first place finisher #4 Bay Area (Catalino Martinez) and fourth place finisher #10 Village Kitten (Alejandro Gomez). After talking to the riders and reviewing the video, #4 was placed fourth for interference to #10. The decision was unanimous. Video replay clearly shows #4 come out under left handed urging causing Jockey Gomez to check #10 Village Kitten and get out finished for third place by an inch by #8 Cackle The Cuda (Joe Crispin).

Original order of finish:       **(4)**-2-8-10  
 Official order of finish:       2-8-10-**(4)**

05-15-2016<sup>4</sup> **VOIDED CLAIM – 9<sup>TH</sup> RACE**

A claim submitted by Trainer Holly Evans for #9 "Brother Gill" was voided by the Stewards when it was noted that the name of the horse was misspelled on the claim blank.

05-15-2015<sup>5</sup> **HANDLE-ATTENDANCE**

GGF	3906	\$540,550.10
NCOT	2511	\$812,330.30
SCOT		\$638,992.20
OUT OF STATE		\$1,658,473.94
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$3,650,346.50</b>

**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.

**VETERINARY REPORT: Euthanized/Died-0**

**VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>RACE</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>HORSE</u>	<u>TRAINER</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>REFUND</u>
05-13-16	4	6	Jicama	Perez	Sick	See Below
05-13-16	4	7	Dee The Loyalist	Farris	Injured	<u>\$94.60</u>
05-13-16	7	1	Bev's Finale	Delia	Sick	See Below
05-13-16	7	4	George's Main Main	Farris	Unsound	<u>\$8,975.89</u>
05-14-16	6	1	Devil Cat	Raymond	Unsound	\$10,679.20
05-14-16	7	9	Qiona	Moger	Sick	\$476.36
05-15-16	5	4	Meet Miss Kitty	DeLima	Sick	\$240.00
05-15-16	6	3	Merle	Winick	Sick	\$143.66
05-15-16	7	2	Royal Chavela	Davenport	Sick	\$64.87

**VETRINARIAN'S LIST:**

There were nineteen (19) horses placed on the vet's list:

- Injured: 1
- Sick: 6
- Unsound: 4
- Shockwave: 6
- Medication: 2

**There were thirty-four (34) horses removed from the vet's list:**

Sick: 23  
 Injured: 3  
 Unsound: 3  
 Medication: 2  
 Bled: 3

	05/12	05/13	05/14	05/15	TOTAL	Meet
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0	0	13
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	9
CLAIMS	3	5	3	1	12	264
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	0	1	1	15
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	0	0	0	1	1	28
REFUNDS	0	4	2	3	9	239
RULINGS	1	1	2	0	4	106
CLAIMS VOID	0	0	1	1	2	28

**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES**

Anderson	78	\$23,576.30
Bankers Casino	81	\$21,313.60
Fresno	256	\$99,456.20
Fresno Club One	61	\$43,402.30
Monterey	185	\$64,258.50
Pleasanton	1156	\$414,382.10
Sacramento	966	\$334,848.70
San Jose	1295	\$379,150.60
San Mateo	2168	\$829,834.00
Santa Rosa	602	\$116,052.00
Stockton	1480	\$428,396.50
Turlock	265	\$95,879.00
Vallejo	536	\$186,887.80
So. California	0	\$1,780,059.60
Out of State	0	\$4,646,281.10

Respectfully submitted,

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**Will Meyers, Steward**

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**Dennis Nevin, Steward**

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**John Herbuveaux, Steward**