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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
HOLLYWOOD PARK RACING ASSOCIATION**

Hollywood Park

To the California Horse Racing Board

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For the period: Wednesday, December 9, 2009 through Sunday, December 13, 2009

WEDNESDAY
12/09/09¹

MCANALLY HEARING AND WARNING

Trainer RON MCANALLY's assistant, Dan Landers, appeared in the office this morning in an informal hearing to answer case number 09HP168 which involved a complaint filed by the official veterinarian when one of his trainees showed up late to the receiving barn. Mr. Landers offered no excuse but said that it wouldn't happen again. It was Mr. McAnally's first complaint for this violation so he was issued a warning.

12/09/09²

APPRENTICE LICENSING

Trainer LEONARD POWELL came to the office with top French apprentice FLAVIEN PRAT seeking a license. Mr. Prat will be here for the winter and plans to work for Mr. Powell and ride an occasional race. They had the appropriate paperwork from France Galop that indicated that Mr. Prat's fifth win came on March 12, 2009 and that he has ridden 62 total winners. His apprenticeship will therefore end on March 12, 2010. Mr. Prat was issued an apprentice certificate, and given an overview of the requirements and expectations of a rider in Southern California.

12/09/09³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

1st Race #2 Ruffled Feathers – Rider change – J. Valdivia for J. Rosario (sick)
#1 Warren's Appeal – Claimed – J. Carava, trainer
Refund \$1,385.46

2nd Race No changes; Refund \$609.58

- 3rd Race #1 Southern Orchid – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Bailey
#2 You Can Dream – Rider change – R. Bejarano for J. Rosario
#6 Carnival Queen (GB) – Claimed – J. Carava, trainer
Refund \$4,654.34
- 4th Race #7 Stanford Dolly – Rider change – V. Espinoza for J. Rosario
#7 Stanford Dolly – Claimed – J. Carava, trainer
Refund \$57.00
- 5th Race #4 Victory Dash – Rider change – V. Espinoza for J. Rosario
Refund \$128.00
- 6th Race #3 Solar Rocket – Stewards’ scratch – MTO
#8 Hughesy – Rider change – D. Flores for J. Rosario
Refund \$1,172.90
- 7th Race #1 Young Joe – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Bailey
#5 Spirit of Cochise – Rider change – M. Pedroza for J. Rosario
Refund \$914.10; Minus Pool \$5.37
- 8th Race #4 Del Mar Express – Late stewards’ scratch – no rider
#12 Baracho – Rider change – J. Valdivia for J. Rosario
#2 Corkynphilys Flyer – Claimed – D. O’Neill, trainer
Refund \$10,582.60

12/09/09⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,357	549,998.10
Satellites	4,867	1,782,220.40
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	899,599.20
Out –of-State	n/a	3,975,003.86
Total	7,224	7,206,821.56

THURSDAY
12/10/09¹

KITCHINGMAN COMPLAINTS

Trainer ADAM KITCHINGMAN called the office this morning to discuss two complaints filed against him by the official veterinarian when his trainees arrived late to the receiving barn on two separate occasions (case numbers 09HP170 and 09SA249). Mr. Kitchingman accepted a warning for the first one and the following ruling for the second incident:

HRTH #030

Trainer **ADAM KITCHINGMAN**, is fined **ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1852 (Reporting to Receiving Barn-Late) and #1894 (Duties of Trainer) with his horse “Fitzmo” in the fifth race on November 26, 2009.

12/10/09²

PEREZ HEARING AND WARNING

Trainer MAG PEREZ contacted the office by telephone to discuss case number 09HP166 which embodied a complaint filed by the CHRB alleging that one of his runners was late arriving on the grounds on race day. Mr. Perez explained that the horse van had a flat tire and that he couldn't leave the Los Alamitos grounds during training hours. Although the excuses didn't make total sense, Mr. Perez was issued a warning for the violation.

12/10/09³

HARDGROVE HEARING AND WARNING

Veterinarian NICOLA HARDGROVE came to the office this morning for an informal hearing regarding case number 09HP167—a complaint filed by the official veterinarian for a late and incorrect veterinary confidential. After explaining the importance of confidentials to Dr. Hardgrove, we issued a warning based on her spotless record.

12/10/09⁴

INQUIRY/NO CHANGE

Following the running of the seventh race, the stewards posted the inquiry sign to examine an incident shortly after the start in which several horses checked. In this four horse field, video replay revealed that the outside horse #5 Tenacious Tina, ridden by Mike Smith, angles in shortly after the six and a half furlong start, and puts pressure on the horse to his inside, #4 Seedless. Alonso Quinonez, the rider of #4 Seedless, checked his horse, who then threw his head in the air, ducked in and then out. Unfortunately, the two horses to his inside were interfered with as well. In the unanimous opinion of the stewards, although the winner #5 Tenacious Tina began the incident, it did not cost the second place finisher #3 Jocata a placing (checked briefly and was beaten 1 ¾ lengths). We also believed that the third place finisher #4 Seedless was partially responsible for the incident, and that the last #1 Little Dodger, was beaten 11 lengths for third and therefore was not cost a better placing. Hence, while dramatic, the incident did not warrant a disqualification.

12/10/09⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1 st Race	No changes; Minus Pool \$1,015.99
2 nd Race	#2 Rocket Kitty – Rider change – MC Baze for A. Solis (personal) Refund \$34.00
3 rd Race	#2 Victory Stand – Rider change – MC Baze for A. Solis Refund \$24.00; Minus Pool \$444.03
4 th Race	#4 Escalon – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Bailey Refund \$462.60
5 th Race	#2 Soul Candy – Rider change – J. Valdivia for A. Solis Refund \$171.50
6 th Race	#3 Starstruck Kristen – Late veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Stead Refund \$13,290.54
7 th Race	#2 Ridemetothemoon – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead Refund \$1,456.58

8th Race #3 Smartysideup – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Stead
#4 Foxy Approval – Rider change – A. Quinonez for A. Solis
Refund \$3,003.18

12/10/09⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,519	553,535.60
Satellites	4,647	1,603,224.80
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	579,634.60
Out –of-State	n/a	2,806,803.90
Total	7,166	5,543,198.90

FRIDAY
12/11/09¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey EULICES GOMEZ came to the office to discuss his ride in the sixth race yesterday in which his mount drifted in shortly after turning for home and made contact with the horse to his inside. Mr. Gomez, who was refreshingly candid, said that he was overriding a tired horse. We agreed, commended him on his candor and issued a warning.

Jockey MIKE SMITH came to the office this morning to discuss his ride in the seventh race yesterday which was the subject of a stewards' inquiry. Ultimately there was no change but films showed that Mr. Smith's horse angled in and put pressure on the three horses to his inside. Mr. Smith pointed out that he was initially clear but that when his horse went to the lead, she slowed down unexpectedly. That claim was somewhat substantiated by the films. Although Mr. Smith does pull his horse off quickly, the damage had already been done. The majority elected to give Mr. Smith a warning (Steward Ward voting for three days).

Jockey AMIR CEDENO came to the office this morning to discuss his ride in the sixth race yesterday in which we felt that he had maintained a bad position down the backside and that he had angled out too sharply in the lane. After reviewing the films, he agreed with the analysis and accepted a warning without objection.

12/11/09²

ROSARIO HEARING

Today was the third and final day of the hearing involving jockey JOEL ROSARIO. Steward Winick (currently assigned at Hollywood) joined Stewards Christiansen and Sawyer in presiding over the hearing. Roger Licht, Respondent's counsel, presented evidence on his client's behalf, which included testimony from Mr. Rosario and Vic Stauffer, agent for Rosario. The hearing was closed and the matter deemed submitted. Decision to follow.

12/11/09³

RAIN STORM

After Southern California was hit with what is supposed to be the beginning of some wet weather, the four races carded for the grass today were moved to the main track (1st, 4th, 7th and 8th). Unfortunately, there were 8 scratches this morning leaving a total of 45 horses for the eight race card.

12/11/09⁴

FROUSIAKAS HEARING

Trainer GEORGE FROUSIAKIS met with the stewards informally to discuss case number 09SA252 which was a financial complaint filed by Angel’s Feed Inc. based on a judgment in the amount of \$1,975.92. Also present was Christian Unamuno on behalf of Angel’s Feed. With a judgment, there shouldn’t have been much discussion, but Mr. Frousiakis claimed that he hadn’t paid the money because Angel’s had two portable pens that Frousiakis owned. While we explained that Mr. Frousiakis could file a complaint based on these allegations, it wouldn’t change the outcome of the this particular hearing. The Angel’s Feed representative then asked for a little time to determine if the allegations with respect to the pens were meritorious. That request was granted and this Board will withhold a ruling until Mr. Unamuno obtains more information.

12/11/09⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race #1 Bleu Intense (FR) – Stewards’ scratch, off turf
Refund \$754.00

- 2nd Race #1 Brian the Brave – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead
#3 A Royal Tizzy – Rider change – R. Bejarano for V. Espinoza (sick)
#5 Pick to Click – Claimed – M. Glatt, trainer
Refund \$730.00

- 3rd Race No changes; Minus Pool \$6,093.27

- 4th Race No changes; Refund \$243.00

- 5th Race No changes; Refund \$653.00

- 6th Race #4 Exile – Veterinarian scratch, unsound – Dr. Bailey
#9 Kid Poker – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Stead
#8 Raja – Rider change – P. Atkinson for M. Pedroza (office error)
Refund \$2,454.70; Refund \$8.02

- 7th Race #3 Lt. Hopeful – Stewards’ scratch, off turf
#5 Cadillac (NZ) – Stewards’ scratch, off turf
Refund \$1,544.60; Minus Pool \$1.81

- 8th Race #4 Cosset – Stewards’ scratch, off turf
#10 Turns My Head (IRE) – Stewards’ scratch, off turf
#9 Her Beach House – Rider change – F. Valdez for V. Espinoza
Refund \$1,327.10

12/11/09⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	1,883	427,255.60
Satellites	4,283	1,586,276.10
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	514,839.60
Out –of-State	n/a	2,753,194.74
Total	6,166	5,281,566.04

SATURDAY
12/12/09¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey PEDRO ARAMBULA came to the office this morning to review his ride in the sixth race on Thursday. Films showed that down the backside. Mr. Arambula shifted his mount out and caused the horses to his outside to steady. Mr. Arambula blamed the horse in front of him for the incident and didn't seem willing to accept our analysis or any responsibility for the incident. He was issued a warning.

12/12/09²

BAROCIO HEARING AND RULING

Trainer LIBRADO BAROCIO appeared in the office this morning and participated in a formal hearing concerning case number 09DM126 which involved a complaint filed by the CHRB against Mr. Barocio alleging a Clenbuterol overage found in one of his runners. Mr. Barocio entered into a stipulated agreement with the CHRB, which was approved by the stewards and memorialized in the following ruling:

HRTH #031

Trainer **LIBRADO BAROCIO**, who started the horse "Trail Mix" in the third race at Del Mar Race Track on August 23, 2009, having entered into a stipulated agreement with the California Horse Racing Board is suspended for **THIRTY DAYS (30) (December 26, 2009-January 24, 2010)** and is fined **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) and #1844(e)(9)(f) (Authorized Medication-Clenbuterol in excess of permitted levels).

Pursuant to the terms of the stipulated agreement, said fine of \$3,000.00 (THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS) is stayed provided that Mr. Barocio be placed on probation for a period of one year from the date of this ruling and not have any violations for Class 1, 2 or 3 drug substances. During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Librado Barocio are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), Mr. Barocio is denied all access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

12/12/09³

NO TURF RACING

For a second straight day, turf racing was transferred to the main track (2nd, 3rd and 8th) due to heavy rains.

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DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1 st Race	No changes; Refund \$647.28
2 nd Race	No changes; Refund \$406.00
3 rd Race	#1 Ad Infinitum – Stewards' scratch, off turf #4 King of Kendall – Stewards' scratch, off turf Refund \$2,342.00
4 th Race	No changes

- 5th Race No changes; Refund \$84.00; Minus Pool \$318.17
- 6th Race No changes; Refund \$1,527.88
- 7th Race #2 Lava Man – Stewards’ scratch, stake
Refund \$5,641.94
- 8th Race #1 Percia Fina (CHI) – Stewards’ scratch, off turf
#4 Lavender Sky – Late stewards’ scratch, off turf
#5 Linda Lou – Stewards’ scratch, off turf
#8 Value Stream – Stewards’ scratch, off turf
Refund \$14,556.72
- 9th Race #3 La Prieta Linda – Rider change – M. Garica for F. Valdez (sick)
Minus Pool \$506.19

12/12/09⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,530	780,555.20
Satellites	6,233	2,251,660.80
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	932,654.20
Out –of-State	n/a	3,359,704.26
Total	9,763	7,324,574.46

SUNDAY
12/13/09¹

FERRER HEARING AND RULING

Exercise rider **JOSE FERRER**, who is currently suspended for failure to appear at a disorderly conduct hearing, appeared this morning to resolve the failure to appear as well as the underlying complaint. Mr. Ferrer produced documentation that indicated he had engaged in treatment for an alcohol problem and continues to attend meetings. Satisfied with Mr. Ferrer’s efforts, we issued the following ruling:

HRTH #032

Exercise rider **JOSE FERRER**, having appeared before the Board of Stewards, is restored to good standing and Oak Tree Racing Association Ruling OTTS #011, dated October 4, 2008, suspending Jose Ferrer for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1547 (Failure to Appear) is set aside.

12/13/09²

BENTLEY REINSTATEMENT

Trainer **JACK BENTLEY** was reinstated in the following ruling when veterinarian Skip Park contacted the CHRB and stated that Mr. Bentley had paid his debt in full:

HRTH #033

Trainer **JACK BENTLEY**, having complied with the provisions of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility), is restored to good standing. Ruling LAFP #032, issued at the Los Angeles County Fair on September 24, 2007, is set aside.

12/13/09³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race No changes; Refund \$116.00; Minus Pool \$687.91

2nd Race No changes; Refund \$91.00; Minus Pool \$1,056.18

3rd Race #2 Haggai – Veterinarian’s scratch, sick – Dr. Durenberger
Refund \$493.00; Minus Pool \$14,209.08

4th Race No changes; Minus Pool \$190.73

5th Race No changes; Refund \$227.94

6th Race No changes; Refund \$227.94; Minus Pool 1,392.06

7th Race #6 Sabina Bay – Stewards’ scratch, sick – Dr. Stead
Refund \$2,128.58

8th Race No changes

9th Race No changes; Refund \$6.80; Minus Pool \$5,272.61

12/13/09⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,165	795,031.90
Satellites	6,203	2,179,130.70
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	935,323.90
Out –of-State	n/a	3,070,509.92
Total	9,368	6,979,996.42

ADDITIONS/REMOVALS FROM VET-LIST

Week of: 12-07-09 – 12-13-09

Track: Hollywood Park

Horses on Vet List: 12
Horses off Vet List: 8
Shockwave Therapy: 14
Deceased: 1
Medication: 1

SUMMARY

	12/9	12/10	12/11	12/12	12/13		Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0		0	4
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	0	0	0		2	16
Claims	4	0	1	2	0		7	37
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0		0	1
Inquiries	0	1	0	0	0		1	4
Refunds	8	7	7	7	7		36	114
Rulings	0	1	0	1	0		2	31

Respectfully submitted,

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

Randy Winick, Steward