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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of April 1, 2008 through April 6, 2008.

TUESDAY

04/01/2008

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Martin Hamilton was the duty Steward this week attending to morning office matters and recorded the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) SCRATCHES FOR THURSDAY

One declaration, one rider change, and one equipment change comprised scratch time for Thursday at 9:00 a.m.

(3) ENTRIES FOR FRIDAY

Ten races were assembled for Friday consisting of two Arabian, two Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races. The draw was concluded at 2:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

04/02/2008

(1) SCRATCHES FOR FRIDAY

One rider change and two equipment changes were made at the 9:00 a.m. scratch time for Friday.

(2) ENTRIES FOR SATURDAY

Ten races were carded for Saturday consisting of three Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races. The draw was completed at 2:40 p.m.

THURSDAY
04/03/2008

(1) SCRATCHES FOR SATURDAY

One rider change and two equipment changes were approved at the 9:00 a.m. scratch time for Saturday.

(2) ENTRIES FOR SUNDAY

Nine races were drawn for Sunday, completed at 3:00 p.m.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race offered for three year olds, claiming price \$20,000, at a distance of 300 yards, was called off with two entries.

(4) ADAN FARIAS (CASE# 08LA0079)

A formal hearing was held for trainer Adan Farias when Mr. Farias appeared to address the above referenced complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1843 (a & d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances) and # 1844 (c) (Authorized Medication). Farias' horse "Chiselled In Glory" tested for double NSAID's following the eighth race on February 24, 2008.

Present at the hearing was trainer Farias who waived his right to counsel, Senior Special Investigator Tom Blake who presented the case on behalf of the California Horse Racing Board and the Board of Stewards George Slender, Kim Sawyer, and Martin Hamilton. Barbara Weinstein recorded the proceedings.

Following the gathering of testimonial and documentary evidence the record was closed for decision.

(5) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Rodrigo Aceves was in, as directed, to review the fourth race from Sunday evening where his mount was disqualified from second to sixth place. Films reflect Rodrigo's mount lugged in severely throughout, placing the fault on Rodrigo's mount, accordingly, the rider was absolved of blame.

(6) OBJECTION – FIRST RACE – NO CHANGE

Following the first race jockey Joy Scott who rode the second place finisher # 3 "Juan Coyote" lodged a claim of foul against the first place finisher # 6 "Steve's Way" and jockey Victor Navarro for alleged interference into the far turn.

Films failed to substantiate the claim by Ms. Scott and after a thorough film review and talking to the riders involved the original order of finish was affirmed in a unanimous decision.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

5th Race - # 5 Kitada (Tr. H. Sanchez) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$95.00.

7th Race - # 2 Diller A Dollar (Tr. D. Francisco) re-enter, Stewards.
Refund: \$144.00.

8th Race - # 1 Charger Fan (Tr. P. Visscher) jockey injured in gate, Stewards.
Refund: \$22,581.00.
2 Special Corona Czech (Tr. R. Viramontes) flipped in gate, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$6,260.00.
8 Sheza Spanish Miss (Tr. H. Sanchez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$110.00.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	815	On Track Handle:	\$177,246
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,120</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$331,002
Total:	2,935	Out of State:	<u>\$551,339</u>
		Total:	\$1,059,586

FRIDAY
04/04/2008

(1) SCRATCHES FOR SUNDAY

Three equipment adjustments were the only changes for Sunday's program.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race written for maidens, three years old and upward, claiming price \$2,500, going 300 yards failed to fill with two entries.

(3) GREG PATINO (CASE# 07LA0248)

Owner Greg Patino was scheduled to appear on January 17, 2008 to address the above referenced complaint. Mr. Patino contacted the Stewards on that date and stated that he was going to the Equine Sports Medicine office and sign a financial agreement with the firm acknowledging that the debt was owed. After Mr. Patino failed to follow through on several promises to resolve the matter, the following ruling was issued.

RULING # 109

OWNER GREG PATINO, HAVING RECEIVED NOTICE, AND HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 17, 2008, TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE NUMBER 07LA0248, ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1876 (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,496.00) IS HEREBY SUSPENDED PENDING APPEARANCE BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR).

DURING THE TERM OF THE SUSPENSION ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF GREG PATINO ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION).

(4) BARRY SCOTT WILLIAMS (CASE# 05LA0079)

Horse transporter Barry S. Williams appeared this afternoon to clear the way for reinstatement of his licensing privileges. Mr. Williams was suspended June 24, 2005 for failure to appear to answer charges of alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1890 (Possession of Contraband). As Williams' license expired in 2007, ruling # 110 was issued in order to make him eligible for renewal. Upon renewal, a formal hearing will be reset to address the aforementioned charges.

RULING # 110

HORSE TRANSPORTER BARRY S. WILLIAMS, HAVING APPEARED AS ORDERED, IS RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING AND ELIGIBLE FOR RELICENSING. RULING # 122, ISSUED AT LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION ON JUNE 24, 2005, IS SET ASIDE.

(5) INQUIRY – FIRST RACE - DISQUALIFICATION

Following the first race the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign for a review of an incident in the final 100 yards of the 4½ furlong Thoroughbred event.

Films show # 6 "Blended Toss" (3rd – jockey Eulices Gomez) came in under the right handed whipping and took the path of # 5 "Debregina" (4th – jockey Gary Boag) forcing the latter to check off heels and lose momentum and the opportunity at a better placing.

After a thorough film review of the video replays of the incident and after talking with the riders involved # 6 was disqualified from third and placed fourth in a unanimous decision.

(6) ACCIDENT – FIRST RACE

Following the first race jockey Jay Conklin astride first place finisher # 7 "Prime Time Slew" lost his balance and was unseated while pulling up. Conklin walked back under his own power and was evaluated by E.M.T.'s. Accident report attached.

(7) SHOW WAGERING CANCELLED – EIGHTH RACE

With the defection of # 5 "Nutso" and # 6 "Fast Dollars Winning" out of the eighth race, the six horse field was reduced to four starters, necessitating the cancellation of show wagering.

(8) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 2nd Race - # 2 Paulina Bug (Tr. J. Glenn, Jr.) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$577.00.
- 3rd Race - # 1 Chihuahua Star (Tr. A. Soto) re-enter, Stewards.
Refund: \$150.00.
- 5th Race - # 5 French Express (Tr. H. Shelley) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$170.00.
- 6th Race - # 3 Fixintodash (Tr. J. Romo, Jr.) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$560.00.
- 7th Race - # 4 My Mamselle (Tr. C. Treece) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$384.00.
- 8th Race - # 5 Nutso (Tr. J. Flores) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$371.00.
- # 6 Fast Dollars Winning (Tr. J. Nunez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$217.00.
- 10th Race - # 8 Where I Go Hugo (Tr. J. Flores) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$181.00.
- # 9 Kathysredhotspecial (Tr. H. Hernandez) re-enter, Stewards.
Refund: \$673.00.

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,139	On Track Handle:	\$220,886
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,782</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$566,914
Total:	4,921	Out of State:	<u>\$655,125</u>
		Total:	\$1,442,925

SATURDAY

04/05/2008

(1) ENTRIES FOR THURSDAY

Four Thoroughbred and four Quarter Horse races fill out the eight race card for Thursday, completed at 12:50 p.m.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race offered for three year olds, claiming price \$2,500, at a distance of 300 yards was called off after only one entry was received.

(3) EULICES GOMEZ RULINGRULING # 111

JOCKEY EULICES GOMEZ, WHO RODE "BLENDED TOSS" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 2008, IS SUSPENDED FOUR (4) RACING DAYS (APRIL 12TH, 13TH, 17TH, AND 18TH, 2008) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE IN THE STRETCH CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM THIRD TO FOURTH PLACE. A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES – CARELESS RIDING).

THE TERM OF THIS SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES IN CALIFORNIA.

The above noted ruling was issued after Eulices reviewed the race in question with the Stewards and fell short in convincing the Board that he exerted his best efforts to avoid the interference that caused his mount's disqualification.

(4) ROUTINE EVENING

This evening's races were contested without notable incident with all matters being routine.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race - # 6 House Music (Tr. H. Nelson) equipment, Stewards.
Refund: \$660.00.

5th Race - # 1 Spirit Nine (Tr. J. Nunez) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$41.00.

6th Race - # 5 Racket Dash (Tr. J. Nunez) sick, Dr. Beck.
Refund: \$142.00.

10th Race - # 1 Cg Random Play (Tr. H. Sanchez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$119.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,195	On Track Handle:	\$221,363
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,215</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$521,130
Total:	4,410	Out of State:	<u>\$659,889</u>
		Total:	\$1,402,383

SUNDAY
04/06/2008(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race written for maidens, three years old and upward, claiming price \$12,500, going 300 yards had only three entries pass the box and was called off.

(2) FILM REVIEW

Jockey's Alex Bautista and Dionicio Navarro were in as directed, to review the second race from Friday (4/4/08) and third race from last evening, respectively.

Alex's mount was lugging out throughout and the change from a ring bit to a D-bit was verified by trainer Dennis Ekins. Accordingly, the blame was shifted to the horse.

Dionicio shaved a rival in the middle of the far turn and was put on notice that any future lapse in judgment could result in sanctions. Mr. Navarro vowed to do better in the future.

(3) CLEAN PROGRAM

This evening's nine race program was conducted without noteworthy incident.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

9th Race - # 1 I Lov Boots (Tr. E. Navarro) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$109.00.

2 Wink Big (Tr. H. Hernandez) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$787.00.

3 El Brujo (Tr. H. Sanchez) injured, Dr. Beck.
Refund: \$214.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	799	On Track Handle:	\$222,349
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,528</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$680,862
Total:	3,327	Out of State:	<u>\$621,506</u>
		Total:	\$1,524,718

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Vet</u>	<u>Refund</u>
4/3/2008	5	5	Kitada	H. Sanchez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$95
	8	2	Special Corona Czech	R. Viramontes	Flipped in gate	Hackathorn	\$6,260
	8	8	Sheza Spanish Miss	H. Sanchez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$110
4/4/2008	2	2	Paulina Bug	J. Glenn, Jr.	Sick	Hackathorn	\$577
	5	5	French Express	H. Shelley	Sick	Hackathorn	\$170
	6	3	Fixintodash	J. Romo, Jr.	Sick	Hackathorn	\$560
	7	4	My Mamselle	C. Treece	Sick	Hackathorn	\$384
	8	5	Nutso	J. Flores	Injured	Hackathorn	\$371
	8	6	Fast Dollars Winning	J. Nunez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$217
	10	8	Where I Go Hugo	J. Flores	Sick	Hackathorn	\$181
4/5/2008	5	1	Spirit Nine	J. Nunez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$41
	6	5	Racket Dash	J. Nunez	Sick	Beck	\$142
	10	1	Cg Random Play	H. Sanchez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$119
4/8/2008	9	1	I Lov Boots	E. Navarro	Sick	Hackathorn	\$109
		2	Wink Big	H. Hernandez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$787
		3	El Brujo	H. Sanchez	Injured	Beck	\$214

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on April 6, 2008.

One equine death was reported this week due to racing injuries.

During this reporting period eighteen horses were added to the Veterinarian's

List as follows: two for soundness, six for injury and ten for sickness.

Eight horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and

removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Martin Hamilton.

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

SUMMARY

	MON	TUE	WED	THU 04/03	FRI 04/04	SAT 04/05	SUN 04/06	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			0	1	0	0	1	14
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R	3	3	3	2	11	254
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		0	1	0	0	1	18
INQUIRIES	D			1	1	0	0	2	36
REFUNDS		A		5	9	4	3	21	219
RULINGS			Y	0	2	1	0	3	111

Stewards' Attendance: Martin Hamilton, George Slender, and Kim Sawyer were in daily attendance during this reporting period.

Martin Hamilton (Steward)

Kim Sawyer (Steward)

George Slender (Steward)