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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 June 22, 2010 through June 27, 2010.

**TUESDAY**

06/22/2010 (1) DUTY STEWARD

Steward Randy Winick will attend to morning office issues and record the minutes of this week's activities.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Entries for Friday were completed at 1:30 p.m. and the ensuing ten race program will be composed of eight Quarter Horse and two Thoroughbred races.

**WEDNESDAY**

06/23/2010 (1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was held at the usual 9:00 a.m. deadline and resulted in only a single rider change.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Saturday's ten race card was drawn at 1:00 p.m. and it will be an all Quarter Horse program.

**THURSDAY**

06/24/2010 (1) SCRATCHES

9:00 a.m. scratch time resulted in only a single rider change.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Sunday's draw was conducted at 1:00 p.m. and the ten race card will be a mix of five Quarter Horse and five Thoroughbred races.

**FRIDAY**

06/25/2010 (1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was conducted at 9:00 a.m. and there were two rider changes and a first time lasix reported.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the condition book for California-bred three year olds for a claiming price of \$16,000 at a distance of 350 yards was called off with only three entries.

(3) ORTIZ HEARING (CASE #10LA0138)

Trainer Arthur "Curly" Ortiz was in to address the above referenced complaint in an informal manner concerning his not having a horseshoer's license to shoe his own horse in the shedrow of his own barn. Mr. Ortiz made a compelling argument that the trainer is the absolute insurer and is responsible for the condition of all horses in his care, which he interprets as this could be construed to cover horseshoeing. The Stewards informed him that while he is the owner and the horse is his property, he must have a valid California Horse Racing Board horseshoer's license to shoe a horse. Mr. Ortiz also stated that certain owner/trainers had been given a waiver in the past for this by different administrations and that he may contact the Board. A decision will follow in the near future.

(4) FAMA HEARING (CASE #10LA0141)

Trainer Dominador "Dominic" Fama agreed to proceed informally concerning the above referenced case regarding a positive test finding of methocarbamol (Robaxin) in his horse "Nitro Lady" who ran first in the second race at Los Alamitos Race Course on May 7, 2010.

Mr. Fama stated he does use Robaxin on this filly, however, he stopped four days prior to the race, which is sufficient time to clear according to his prior experience and veterinary advice. Dominic thought the only possibility would have to be outside contamination but realized this was ultimately his responsibility.

The Stewards issued the following ruling based on the mitigating fact of a good past medication history of Mr. Fama and that this is the low end of the required fine by rule.

RULING #66

TRAINER DOMINADOR FAMA WHO STARTED THE HORSE "NITRO LADY" IN THE SECOND RACE ON MAY 7, 2010, AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1887(a) (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1843 (a,b & d) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), METHOCARBOMOL - CLASS IV - FIRST OFFENSE.

(5) SUAREZ RULING

The following ruling is issued to require jockey Guillermo Gonzalez-Suarez to enter into a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board due to his having tested positive for cocaine when he went to ride in Portland, Oregon and submitted to a required physical for which a drug test was required. The Los Alamitos Stewards thought it appropriate to reciprocate with a testing agreement of their own as was required by the Oregon Racing Commission in that state.

RULING #67

IN THE MATTER OF: GUILLERMO GONZALEZ-SUAREZ

ACKNOWLEDGING RULINGS (PM10-047, PM10-060, AND SC10-070) ISSUED BY THE OREGON RACING COMMISSION FOR A POSITIVE TEST FINDING OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE (COCAINE) ON APRIL 19, 2010 AT PORTLAND MEADOWS AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1485 (LICENSE SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AND AGREEMENTS) JOCKEY GUILLERMO GONZALEZ-SUAREZ IS ORDERED TO ENTER INTO A TESTING AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD.

(6) POST RACE ACCIDENT – FOURTH RACE

Following the running of the fourth race (Quarter Horse – 350 yards) as the field was pulling up at approximately the 4½ furlong pole toward the outside, #6 "Proud Fame" (5<sup>th</sup> – G. Suarez)

appeared to stumble and unseated his rider. The horse was up to his feet shortly and was caught by the outrider and jogged back to the unsaddling area while jockey Suarez was attended to by the track E.M.T.'s and transported to the Jockey's Quarters for further evaluation. (See attached report.) Guillermo asked to be taken off his remaining mount for the evening.

(7) SEVENTH RACE – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

The Inquiry sign was posted following the finish of the seventh race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) to review an incident inside the 1/16 pole approximately 50 or 60 yards before the wire where #1 “Team Nemo” (1<sup>st</sup> – C. Huerta) was drifting out slightly and #3 “Ajs Kissntell” (3<sup>rd</sup> – S. Mendez) was drifting in slightly putting pressure on #2 “Male Friend” (4<sup>th</sup> – Z. Kelsey) who was between them and caused his rider to steady and pull out from the shrinking space. After talking to the riders involved and a thorough review of the taped replay, the Stewards unanimously voted to leave the original order of finish stand, as in their opinion #2 had reached his maximum placing at the time and was not cost the opportunity of a better placing than fourth position.

(8) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 8 Mr Jess Smokin (Tr. J. Flores) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$287.00.

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Outtodustyou (Tr. J. Badilla, Jr.) jockey Alex Bautista replaced jockey Ramon Sanchez (sick).

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Rockin The City claimed, Tr. C. Robertson.

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Team Nemo (Tr. P. Jones) jockey Carlos Huerta replaced jockey Ramon Sanchez (sick).

8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Gemini Special SA (Tr. P. Jones) jockey Eduardo Nicasio replaced jockey Ramon Sanchez (sick).

9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Hawkishito (Tr. J. Flores) Stewards – no rider available, jockey Guillermo Suarez (injured).  
Refund: \$856.00

# 5 Cajun Camelot (Tr. P. Jones) jockey Eduardo Nicasio replaced jockey Ramon Sanchez (sick).

10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 8 Viansa (Tr. P. Jones) jockey Eduardo Nicasio replaced jockey Ramon Sanchez (sick).

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,420	On Track Handle:	\$151,656.50
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,290</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$361,666.40
Total:	4,710	Out of State:	<u>\$704,091.75</u>
		Total:	\$1,217,414.65

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$343,465

**SATURDAY**

06/26/2010 (1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the condition book for Saturday, for California-bred three year olds for a claiming price of \$10,000 at a distance of 350 yards failed to attract a single entry and was called off.

(2) PENDER HEARING (CASE #10LA0135)

Trainer Mike Pender appeared informally to address the above referenced case for not properly reporting a first time gelding. Mr. Pender said he entered the horse as a gelding but it did not appear on the official entry form and was not changed on the foal certificate. The Stewards thought that although he is responsible to report the sex change to the horse identifier and clerk of the course, he did make the attempt to enter the horse as a gelding on the entry blank and thought this was somewhat of a mitigating circumstance along with this being his first offense. Therefore the following ruling was issued.

RULING #68

TRAINER MICHAEL PENDER IS FINED SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00)\* FOR FAILURE TO PROPERLY REPORT THE GELDING OF THE HORSE "YOU'RE NO GOOD" WHICH RAN IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 14, 2010. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1865 (ALTERING OF SEX OF HORSE).

(3) FILM REVIEW

Both jockeys Carlos Huerta and Santiago Mendez were in to review their respective rides from the previous evening in the seventh race where there was a Stewards' Inquiry but no disqualification was made. Jockey Santiago Mendez made his case upon the fact that he felt his horse drifted in very little and he tried to grab the right rein to stop the inward motion when it happened along with feeling that he was bumped from behind by the horse to his inside. Film substantiated this and no suspension was levied to Mr. Mendez. In the review with jockey Carlos Huerta it appeared that his horse did the majority of the drifting out but in his defense Mr. Huerta said he tried to guide him inward as best he could but that he was a tough horse to ride and somewhat green. This was a close call by the Stewards but he was given the benefit of the doubt and no days were given.

(4) SEVENTH RACE – LATE DECLARATION – NO SHOW WAGERING

On a recommendation from Track Veterinarian Dr. Tom Hackathorn (tied-up), the Stewards declared #6 "Diligents" (F. Rubio) in the seventh race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards), which reduced the field size down to four starters, thereby causing California Horse Racing Board rule #1954 (Pari-mutuel Pools) to be invoked, resulting in there being no show wagering allowed on this event.

(5) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 7 Garfields Beduino claimed, Tr. J. Hanson.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 1 Pay It Snowman (Tr. J. Aleman) Stewards – broke through gate, ran loose.  
Refund: \$3,981.00.  
5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Blustering claimed, Tr. L. Hernandez.  
7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Its Fiveoclocksumwear (Tr. C. Hall) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$165.00.  
# 6 Diligents (Tr. A. Farias) veterinarian – tied up, post parade, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$12,751.00.  
8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Hawk On The Fly claimed, Tr. A. Farias.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,110	On Track Handle:	\$139,948.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,207</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$259,951.40
Total:	3,317	Out of State:	<u>\$667,441.82</u>
		Total:	\$1,067,341.92

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$347,286

**SUNDAY**

06/27/2010

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the condition book for Sunday, California-bred maiden two year olds for a claiming price price of \$5,000 going 300 yards failed to fill and was called off.

(2) FOURTH RACE – LATE SCRATCH – RIDER UNSEATED

As the field was beginning its post parade for the fourth race, #3 "An Elite Performance" reared and unseated his rider, Juan Andrade. The horse ran off loose around the track, necessitating a late scratch by the Stewards while jockey Andrade was treated by the track E.M.T.'s and excused for the evening, complaining of a sore neck. (See attached report). "An Elite Performance" was uninjured.

(3) SIXTH RACE – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

The Stewards called for an inquiry following the finish of the sixth race to review the start. The replay shows that #5 “Nationwide Family” reared just as the gate opened and dislodged his rider (Ramon Guce) who was able to just step off and safely land on the stall pontoon and secure his balance. The riderless horse ran around the track behind the field and returned uninjured as was jockey Ramon Guce. The Stewards declared the race official as finished and that #5 was a starter.

(4) NINTH RACE - ACCIDENT

During the post parade for the ninth race #6 “Dream The Day” stumbled and dislodged jockey Alex Bautista. The rider got back on the horse and after the racing vet checked him, the rider and horse completed the race. After weighing in after the race the rider informed the Stewards that he had twisted his knee. Bautista was excused from his one remaining mount.

(5) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 1 Quickneasy (Tr. E. Navarro) jockey Adrian Loza replaced jockey Guillermo Suarez (injured).

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 2 Delineatorsvictory (Tr. J. Hanson) veterinarian – unsound, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$1,941.00.

# 4 Trainspotting claimed, Tr. R. D. Jackson.

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Run De Hawk (Tr. J. Flores) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$168.00.

# 3 An Elite Performance (Tr. J. Nunez) Stewards – lost rider, ran off.  
Refund: \$3,928.00.

# 6 BW Eddys Flight (Tr. J. L. Cooper) jockey Zacharie Kelsey replaced jockey Santiago Mendez (no show).

5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Swiss Alpine claimed, Tr. C. Treece.

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 No Caps No Floors claimed, Tr. C. Robertson.  
# 6 American Games (Tr. U. De La Torre) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$489.00.

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 4 Pay The Gray claimed, Tr. V. Smith.  
# 5 Glass Of Red (Tr. S. Perez) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$766.00.

# 6 Mas Rapida claimed, Tr. C. O'Dell.

8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Gotta Corona (Tr. E. Navarro) jockey Eduardo Nicasio replaced jockey Guillermo Suarez (injured).

9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 3 Azshecanfly (Tr. C. O'Dell) jockey Zacharie Kelsey replaced jockey Juan Andrade (injured).

10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 RGR Royal Wrangler (Tr. H. Sanchez) Stewards – Alex Bautista injured (no rider available).  
# 7 Coyotero Czech (Tr. R. Viramontes) jockey Wilberth Morales replaced jockey Santiago Mendez (sick).

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	770	On Track Handle:	\$116,389.10
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,653</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$290,693.00
Total:	2,423	Out of State:	<u>\$924,311.36</u>
		Total:	\$1,331,393.46

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$446,916

**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>
6/25/2010	3	8	Mr Jess Smokin	J. Flores	Injured	Hackathorn	\$287
6/26/2010	7	5	Its Fiveoclocksunwear	C. Hall	Injured	Hackathorn	\$165
	7	6	Diligents	A. Farias	Tied up	Hackathorn	\$12,751
6/27/2010	3	2	Delineatorsvictory	J. Hanson	Unsound	Beck	\$1,941
	4	1	Run De Hawk	J. Flores	Sick	Hackathorn	\$168
	6	6	American Games	U. De La Torre	Injured	Hackathorn	\$489
	7	5	Glass Of Red	S. Perez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$766

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on June 28, 2010.

No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries.

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

List as follows: four for soundness, five for injury, one for sickness, two for medication, one for bleeding, and two for shock wave therapy. Two horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Randy Winick.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

**SUMMARY**

	MON	TUE	WED	FRI 06/25	SAT 06/26	SUN 06/27	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			1	0	1	2	20
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	1
CLAIMS			R	1	3	5	9	326
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		1	0	0	1	27
INQUIRIES	D			1	0	0	1	58
REFUNDS		A		2	3	6	11	217
RULINGS			Y	2	1	0	3	68

Stewards' Attendance: Randy Winick, James Dreyer, and Albert Christiansen were in daily attendance during this reporting period.

Randy Winick (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)

Albert Christiansen (Steward)