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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 February 8, 2011 through February 13, 2011.

**TUESDAY**

02/08/2011

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Albert Christiansen will be present for morning duties and shall author the week's minutes. Tomorrow Steward George Slender will fill in for the day's scratches and entries. Stewards Dreyer and Christiansen will attend the Track Safety Meeting at the University of California in Davis.

(2) THE DRAW

Ten races were drawn for Friday's program. Seven Quarter Horse and three Thoroughbred races make up the card.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book for maiden three year olds, claiming price \$5,000, going 300 yards, was called off with four Cal-Breds.

**WEDNESDAY**

02/09/2011

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m., resulting in no changes.

(2) THE DRAW

Ten races were drawn for Saturday's program. Four Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races complete the card.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

Two races in the book were offered Cal-Bred. The third race for maidens, three years old, claiming price \$16,000, going 300 yards, had two Cal-Bred entries. The fourth race for maidens, three years old, going 300 yards, had one Cal-Bred entry.

**THURSDAY**

02/10/2011

(1) SCRATCHES

One rider change and two equipment changes completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) THE DRAW

Ten races were drawn for Sunday's program. Four Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races complete the program.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

Two races were offered Cal-Bred in the condition book. Neither race attracted a Cal-Bred entry.

**FRIDAY**

02/11/2011

(1) SCRATCHES

One rider change and one equipment addition completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) MENDEZ RULINGRULING #29

JOCKEY CRUZ MENDEZ, WHO RODE "DONT YA WISH" IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2011, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (FEBRUARY 18TH, 19TH AND 20TH, 2011) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FOURTH TO EIGHTH. 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.

This ruling was agreed upon after jockey Mendez and his agent/interpreter Frank Quesada appeared to review last Saturday's disqualification of his mount. The rider acknowledged he gave a poor effort to correct his mount.

(3) INFORMAL HEARING

Trainer Carlos De Jesus Gonzalez appeared to address two California Horse Racing Board complaints. One complaint involved the disqualification from purse money due to a Class III medication violation. The trainer waived his right to a formal hearing and representation and indicated he was prepared to go forward with the case. The trainer stated he was on vacation and left his groom to administer the albuterol. The trainer thinks his groom got confused.

(4) PURSE REDISTRIBUTIONRULING #30

ACTING UPON A REPORT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA DAVIS, AN OFFICIAL TESTING LABORATORY OF THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD THAT URINE SAMPLE# LA16952, TAKEN FROM THE HORSE "RED HOT TIMES", THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 2, 2011, TESTED POSITIVE FOR ALBUTEROL (CLASS III) AN AUTHORIZED DRUG SUBSTANCE ABOVE THE SPECIFIED LEVEL. IT IS ORDERED THAT "RED HOT TIMES" BE DISQUALIFIED FROM ALL PURSE MONIES EARNED IN SAID RACE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1859.5 (DISQUALIFICATION UPON POSITIVE TEST).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT ALL PURSE MONIES (\$3,630) EARNED BY OWNER EG HIGH DESERT FARMS, TRAINER CARLOS DE JESUS GONZALEZ AND JOCKEY J.P. ANDRADE BE RETURNED TO THE PAYMASTER OF PURSES AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE BY MARCH 13, 2011 FOR REDISTRIBUTION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1760 (PURSE AWARD OR PRIZE TO BE WITHHELD)

REVISED ORDER OF FINISH IS AS FOLLOWS:

1ST JESS WALK  
2ND MAMA IS BACK  
3RD HURRA CARVER

4TH SASHA FIERCE  
 5TH REALITY  
 6TH AINT NO SAINT

ALL RECORDS ARE ORDERED TO REFLECT THIS RULING IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1956 (RACE DECLARED OFFICIAL), THIS RULING SHALL NOT AFFECT THE PARI-MUTUEL PAYOFFS.

The above ruling was issued after the conclusion of the previous informal hearings.

(5) FLORES RULING

RULING #31

JOCKEY ESWAN FLORES, WHO RODE "FEATURE MR SERVEL" IN THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2011, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (FEBRUARY 18TH, 19TH AND 20TH, 2011) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE. 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.

This ruling was issued after reviewing last Saturday's seventh race with jockey Flores. The young rider contended he corrected his errant mount as quick as possible. However, the Stewards believe he could have acted much sooner.

(6) RAMIREZ RULING

RULING #32

JOCKEY ABEL G. RAMIREZ, WHO RODE "ONEMOREGLASSOFWINE" IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2011, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (FEBRUARY 18TH, 19TH AND 20TH, 2011) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM SECOND TO SEVENTH. 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.

Jockey Ramirez appeared to review last Saturday's eighth race disqualification with the Stewards. The rider conceded he could have made a better effort in straightening his mount.

(7) RIDER REVIEWS RACE

Jockey Dominic Terry appeared to review a race from last week. The rider was cautioned to make a better effort to control his mount leaving the gate.

(8) THIRD RACE – JOCKEY OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the third race (Thoroughbred – 4½ furlongs) the Stewards posted the Objection sign at the request of jockey Joel Cruz aboard the fourth place finisher #3 "Greenwich Park" (SAF). Cruz alleged interference by the winner, #4 "Wakan Tanka" (jockey Ramon Guce), down the backside and around the turn. After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to make no change in the order of finish. Tape replays fail to substantiate the jockey's claim of foul.

(9) NINTH RACE – JOCKEY OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

Following the finish of the ninth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign at the request of jockey Abel Ramirez aboard the ninth place horse #3 "Im Tryin." Ramirez alleged interference by the second place finisher #2 "Whatta Knockout" (jockey Eswan Flores) about one-sixteenth of a mile before the finish. After talking with the riders

involved and reviewing the tape replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to make no change in the order of finish. Replays show #2 clear of #3 while drifting out and the incident did not cost #3 a better placing.

(10) LATE DECLARATION

8<sup>th</sup> Race - # 1 Private Policy (Tr. J. Moreno) sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$782.00.

(11) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,048	On Track Handle:	\$150,795.40
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,457</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$335,553.40
Total:	3,505	Out of State:	<u>\$770,455.69</u>
		Total:	\$1,256,804.49

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$402,521

**FRIDAY**

02/12/2011

(1) GONZALEZ RULING (REFER 02/11/2011 (4))

RULING #33

TRAINER CARLOS DE JESUS GONZALEZ, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "RED HOT TIMES" IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 2, 2011, IS FINED THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000)\* AND SUSPENDED FOR THIRTY (30) DAYS (FEBRUARY 14, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 15, 2011) PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (A) (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A) (D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES - ALBUTEROL - CLASS III) AND #1844 (E) (4) & (G) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION).

TEN (10) DAYS OF THE SUSPENSION ARE STAYED PENDING THE PASSAGE OF ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF THIS AGREEMENT, DURING WHICH TIME THE SUBJECT IS PLACED ON PROBATION AND SHALL NOT HAVE ANY VIOLATIONS FOR CLASS I, II, OR III SUBSTANCES. ACTUAL DAYS SUSPENSION SERVED WILL BE FEBRUARY 14, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 5, 2011.

This ruling was issued after due deliberation from yesterday's informal hearing. The ten day stayed portion of the suspension was deemed a mitigating circumstance due to the trainer's clean record. Mr. Gonzalez has been training for three years and this was his first medication violation ever.

(2) JOCKEY REVIEWS RACE

Jockey Eswan Flores appeared to review last night's ninth race with the Stewards. The rider was cautioned to be more aware and make a better effort to maintain a straight course.

(3) TENTH RACE – JOCKEY OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the tenth race (Quarter Horse – 330 yards) the Stewards posted the Objection sign at the request of jockey Eswan Flores, who rode the last place finisher #3 "Exactly Like You." Jockey Flores alleged interference at the start by the winner #2 "Runaway Dimples" (jockey Rodrigo Aceves). After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the tape replays, the Stewards unanimously opted to make no change in the order of finish. Replays show #3 break slow and was not cost the opportunity at a better placing.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 4 Brianna Marie (Tr. C. Lopez) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$35,091.00.  
# 5 Carat For C.C. (Tr. J. Hanson) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$281.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,142	On Track Handle:	\$148,778.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,653</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$306,679.10
Total:	3,795	Out of State:	<u>\$794,350.26</u>
		Total:	\$1,249,807.56

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$426,539

**SUNDAY**

02/13/2011

(1) JOCKEYS REVIEW RACES

Jockey Oscar Peinado appeared to review last Friday's second race with the Stewards. The rider was cautioned in his use of the whip better to maintain a straight course than whip a horse too many times. Next, jockey Rodrigo Aceves reviewed last evening's tenth race. Upon review it was apparent the rider grabbed his errant horse the second jump after the start.

(2) JOCKEY APPEARS

Jockey Daniel Sandoval appeared to explain why he missed his first mount last night. The rider stated he rode the last race at Santa Anita and had time to get to Los Alamitos. However, there was an overturned car on the freeway that backed up traffic. Under the circumstances, the Stewards felt a warning was sufficient.

(3) RAMIREZ RULINGRULING #34

JOCKEY ABEL G. RAMIREZ IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1680 (JOCKEYS AND DRIVERS TO REPORT - LATE TO JOCKEY'S ROOM) ON SAUTRDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2011.

This ruling was issued after jockey Ramirez was late for his first mount last night. The rider's attempt at an excuse was unacceptable.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 3 MHR Amigos Three (Tr. J. Romo, Jr.) identification, Stewards.  
Refund: \$329.00.

10<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Looking For Justice (Tr. U. De La Torre) sick, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$1,416.00.

(5) GOOD EVENING

Ten races were completed without a reportable incident.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	638	On Track Handle:	\$133,937.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,034</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$318,761.60
Total:	2,672	Out of State:	<u>\$775,773.30</u>
		Total:	\$1,228,471.90

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$411,686

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>
2/11/2011	8	1	Private Policy	J. Moreno	Sick	Beck	\$782
2/12/2011	1	4	Brianna Marie	C. Lopez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$35,091
	1	5	Carat For C.C.	J. Hanson	Injured	Hackathorn	\$281
2/13/2011	10	6	Looking For Justice	U. De La Torre	Sick	Beck	\$1,416

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on February 18, 2011.

One equine death was reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period seventeen horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: seven for soundness, two for injury, two for sickness, three for medication, none for bleeding, none for shock wave therapy, and three for coggins. Ten horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Albert Christiansen.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD  
SUMMARY**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 02/11	SAT 02/12	SUN 02/13	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				1	0	0	1	5
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		9	9	11	29	100
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	6
INQUIRIES	D				2	1	0	3	11
REFUNDS		A			1	2	2	5	56
RULINGS			Y		4	1	1	6	34

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

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Albert Christiansen (Steward)

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James Dreyer (Steward)

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George Slender (Steward)

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Randy Winick (Safety Steward)