

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of February 21, 2012 through February 26, 2012.

TUESDAY

02/21/2012

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Albert Christiansen will be present for morning activities and shall author the week's minutes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Two races were offered CAL-BRED and neither had an entry. The third race in the book was for maidens, fillies three years old, going 300 yards. Sub race #1 was for three year olds, claiming price \$2,500, going 350 yards.

(3) THE DRAW

Nine races were drawn for Friday's program. Three Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races make up the card.

WEDNESDAY

02/22/2012

(1) SCRATCHES

Five rider changes and one equipment change completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The eighth race on the program, the "Denim N Diamonds" Handicap, was contested with six CAL-BRED mares, four year olds.

(3) THE DRAW

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

THURSDAY

02/23/2012

(1) SCRATCHES

There were no changes at scratch time completed at 9:00 a.m.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race on the card for three year olds, claiming price \$2,500, going 300 yards, was used open with three CAL-BREDS in a seven horse field.

(3) THE DRAW

Nine races were drawn for Sunday's card. Two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races make up the card.

FRIDAY

02/24/2012

(1) SCRATCHES

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

(2) THREE FINANCIALS

Three financials were paid in full. Owners Lori Harris paid Equine Sports Medicine LRO, Inc. \$795; Felipe Garcia paid \$400 and Jorge Brito paid \$745.

(3) SANCHEZ RULINGRULING #38

APPRENTICE JOCKEY JUAN E. SANCHEZ IS FINED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1530 (CASES NOT COVERED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS - OVERNIGHT PARKING).

This ruling was issued after the apprentice jockey fell asleep in his car in the barn area.

(4) CASTILLO RULINGRULING #39

GROOM OSCAR E. CASTILLO IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1530 (CASES NOT COVERED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS - VOIDING IN PUBLIC) ON FEBRUARY 24, 2012.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Castillo stated he did not know there was a bathroom in the detention barn.

(5) SECOND RACE – JOCKEY OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the second race (Thoroughbred – 4½ furlongs) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign at the request of jockey Eulices Gomez aboard the second place finisher #5 "Indian Warrior." The rider alleged interference by the winner #2 "Wylie N Wyatt" (jockey Cheryl Charlton) at the quarter pole turn. After talking with jockey Charlton and reviewing the replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to dismiss the claim of foul. Replays fail to substantiate jockey Gomez's claim of foul.

(6) THIRD RACE – STEWARDS INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the third race (Quarter Horse – 330 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an accident at the start. Replays verify that #4 "Precious Caitlynn" stumbled at the start unseating jockey Eduardo Nicasio. Horse and rider appeared to be okay.

(7) FOURTH RACE – STEWARDS INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the fourth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an accident about twenty yards after the start. Replays show #4 "Granny Lulu" suddenly fall throwing jockey Gregorio Arriaga to the ground. As no other horses were involved no change in the order of finish was warranted. The rider appeared okay. The horse got up but was vanned back to its barn with unspecified injuries.

(8) SIXTH RACE – STEWARDS INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the sixth race (Thoroughbred – 4½ furlongs) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an accident approaching the eighth pole. Tapes verify, while racing in the clear, #3 "Kopriti" broke his leg and fell. Jockey Alex Bautista got to his feet and claimed he was okay. The horse was euthanized on the track.

(9) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race - # 2 Quick Tempo (Tr. J. Bassett) enter back, Stewards. Refund: \$184.00.

5 Dynasty Beach (Tr. U. De La Torre) sick, Dr. Hackathorn. Refund: \$225.00.
 # 7 Hollies Song (Tr. F. Vallejo) rider refused, Stewards. Refund: \$8,670.00.

(10) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	995	On Track Handle:	\$147,906.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,084</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$385,724.60
Total:	3,079	Out of State:	<u>\$789,583.25</u>
		Total:	\$1,323,213.85

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$422,714

SATURDAY
 02/25/2012

(1) FRANCO RULINGRULING #40

OWNER JOEL B. FRANCO, HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 24, 2012, TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE #11LA0285, ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1876 (A) (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY) IS HEREBY SUSPENDED PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF JOEL B. FRANCO 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.

This ruling was agreed upon after Mr. Franco failed to appear. It is alleged the owner owes Equine Medicine \$712.

(2) JOCKEY REVIEWS RACE

Jockey Ramon Sanchez appeared to review his ride in last Sunday's "Winter Championship." The rider's mount was disqualified from fourth to seventh. After reviewing the race and listening to jockey Sanchez vigorously defend himself, the Stewards agreed in placing the blame for the incident on the horse.

(3) LATE DECLARATION

2nd Race - # 5 A Zig Zag Man (Tr. F. Vallejo) ran off, Stewards.
 Refund: \$1,380.00.

(4) GOOD RACING

Nine races were completed without a reportable incident.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	872	On Track Handle:	\$149,704.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,326</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$424,372.30
Total:	3,198	Out of State:	<u>\$779,061.48</u>
		Total:	\$1,353,138.48

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$414,693

SUNDAY
 02/26/2012

(1) FIFTH RACE – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

After the finish of the fifth race (Thoroughbred – 4½ furlongs) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review an incident at the quarter pole turn. Involved were the winner #5 "Suzuran Dancer" (jockey Cesar De Alba) and the fourth place finisher #4 "Don't Be A Rick" (apprentice jockey Juan Sanchez). After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to make no change in the order of finish. Replays show #5, on the outside, come in and brush with #4 at the point of the turn. However, the incident was deemed minor and did not warrant a disqualification.

(2) EIGHTH RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

After the finish of the eighth race (The Los Alamitos Maiden Stakes – 350 yards) the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign to review the start. Involved were the eighth place finisher #10 “Tabasco Special Dash” (jockey Carlos Huerta) and the ninth place horse #9 “First Element” (jockey Ramon Sanchez). After talking with the riders involved and reviewing the tape replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify #10 from eighth and place him ninth, behind #9, for interference at the start. Replays show #10 break sharply at the start, solidly bumping #9, costing the latter more than the nose he got beat for eighth position.

Original Order of Finish: 1 – 5 – 2 – 4 – 7 – 3 – 6 – (10) – 9 – 8

Official Order of Finish: 1 – 5 – 2 – 4 – 7 – 3 – 6 – 9 – (10) – 8

(3) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race - # 2 Watch This Secret (Tr. F. Ramirez) unsound, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$9,996.00.

5th Race - # 2 Mar Sal (Tr. J. Cooper) identification, Stewards. Refund: \$980.00.

9th Race - # 3 Dashin Solo (Tr. R. Dominguez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn. Refund: \$718.00.

5 Ivlis (Tr. D. Frey) sick, Dr. Hackathorn. Refund: \$395.00.

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	762	On Track Handle:	\$131,119.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,920</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$407,485.40
Total:	2,682	Out of State:	<u>\$746,580.66</u>
		Total:	\$1,285,185.26

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$430,481

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>
2/24/2012	1	5	Dynasty Beach	U. De La Torre	Sick	Hackathorn	\$225
2/26/2012	3	2	Watch This Secret	F. Ramirez	Unsound	Hackathorn	\$9,996
	9	3	Dashin Solo	R. Dominguez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$718
	9	5	Ivlis	D. Frey	Sick	Hackathorn	\$395

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on February 26, 2012.

One equine death was reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period twenty-two horses were added to the Veterinarian’s List as follows: five for soundness, four for injury, five for sickness, seven for medication, none for bleeding, one for shock wave therapy, and none for coggins.

Nine 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 02/24	SAT 02/25	SUN 02/26	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				3	0	0	3	6
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	1	0	1	1
CLAIMS			R		8	6	5	19	129
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	1	1	12
INQUIRIES	D				4	0	2	6	18
REFUNDS		A			3	1	4	8	55
RULINGS			Y		2	1	0	3	40

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

Albert Christiansen (Steward)

George Slender (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)

Randy Winick (Safety Steward)