

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 March 13, 2012 through March 18, 2012.

TUESDAY

03/13/2012

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Albert Christiansen will be present for morning duties and shall compose the week's minutes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Two races were offered CAL-BRED, neither of which filled. The second race in the book for maidens, three years old, claiming price \$6,250, going 300 yards, had one entry. Sub race #3 for three year olds, claiming price \$2,500, going 330 yards, failed to attract an entry.

(3) THE DRAW

Nine races were drawn for Friday's program. Two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races finalized the card.

WEDNESDAY

03/14/2012

(1) SCRATCHES

One rider change completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Two races were offered CAL-BRED, neither of which filled. The third race for maidens, three years old, going 300 yards, had one entry. Sub race #5 for four year olds and upward, claiming price \$4,000, going 350 yards, failed to fill.

(3) THE DRAW

Nine Quarter Horse races were drawn for Saturday's program. Three of the races were trials for the "La Primera Del Ano Derby."

THURSDAY

03/15/2012

(1) SCRATCHES

No changes were made at scratch time.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Two races were offered CAL-BRED and neither filled.

(3) THE DRAW

Nine races were drawn for Sunday's program. Four Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races complete the card.

FRIDAY

03/16/2012

(1) SCRATCHES

Two rider changes completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) HUNSUCKER RULINGRULING #46

IN THE MATTER OF: LESTER HUNSUCKER

HAVING NOW SATISFIED THE OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL OBLIGATION TO EQUINE SPORTS MEDICINE, THE LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF OWNER LESTER HUNSUCKER ARE RESTORED AND LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE RULING # 44, DATED MARCH 10, 2012, SUSPENDING MR. HUNSUCKER FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR), IS HEREBY SET ASIDE.

This ruling was issued after Equine Sports Medicine reported Mr. Hunsucker paid his bill in full.

(3) RIDERS REVIEW RACE

Jockeys Gregorio Arriaga and Cruz Mendez appeared to review last Sunday's seventh race with the Stewards. Both riders were cautioned to make better efforts to maintain a straight course.

(4) GOOD RACING

Nine races were completed without a reportable incident.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

2nd Race - # 3 RGR Famous Six (Tr. E. Navarro) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$16,423.00.

5th Race - # 4 Barbary Coast Girl (Tr. E. Navarro) enter back, Stewards.

Refund: \$107.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	918	On Track Handle:	\$142,595.40
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,257</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$376,226.00
Total:	3,175	Out of State:	<u>\$717,965.82</u>
		Total:	\$1,236,787.22

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$383,779

SATURDAY

03/17/2012

(1) INFORMAL HEARING

An informal hearing was conducted to address a Security complaint against groom Fernando Coutino. The complaint alleges Mr. Coutino was intoxicated in the barn area, disrespectful to a Security officer and is suspected of selling beer out of his tack room. The groom admitted to being intoxicated but denied the other allegations. Decision to be made by tomorrow.

(2) NO PROBLEMS

Nine races were completed without a further reportable incident.

(3) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race - # 1 Ocean Bay (Tr. A. Ortiz) enter back, Stewards. Refund: \$20.00.

5 Belmont Miracle (Tr. R. Dominguez) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$374.00.

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	775	On Track Handle:	\$142,169.10
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,118</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$435,177.40
Total:	2,893	Out of State:	<u>\$701,182.96</u>
		Total:	\$1,278,529.46

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$390,799

SUNDAY

03/18/2012

(1) COUTINO RULING

RULING #48

GROOM FERNANDO R. COUTINO IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* AND PLACED ON PROBATION THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012 FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1874 (DISORDERLY CONDUCT) AND #1530 (CASES NOT COVERED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS).

This ruling was agreed upon after due deliberation. According to testimony, Mr. Coutino is a different person when intoxicated. The groom was advised to curtail his drinking or next time the penalty would increase.

(2) FORMAL HEARING

A formal hearing was conducted to address a complaint against Assistant Trainer Juan Romo, Sr. Mr. Romo allegedly removed hay and grain from a neighbor's barn without permission. Present at the hearing were respondent Juan Romo, Sr., his representative valet "Pepi" Jose Magana, interpreter Security Officer Gerardo Angel, Supervising Investigator Tom Blake, who presented the case for the California Horse Racing Board, the Board of Stewards and Court Reporter Barbara Weinstein who recorded the proceedings. Testimony was heard, exhibits were marked and the record was closed. Decision to follow on Friday.

(3) GOOD RACING

Nine races were completed without a reportable incident.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

2nd Race - # 6 Della's Valentine (Tr. G. Morales) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$1,128.00.
5th Race - # 5 Street Rat Crazy (Tr. J. Hanson) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$448.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	686	On Track Handle:	\$151,507.80
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,892</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$500,078.60
Total:	2,578	Out of State:	<u>\$802,878.73</u>
		Total:	\$1,454,465.13

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$436,939

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>
3/16/2012	2	3	RGR Famous Six	E. Navarro	Injured	Hackathorn	\$16,423
3/17/2012	3	5	Belmont Miracle	R. Dominguez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$374
3/18/2012	2	6	Della's Valentine	G. Morales	Injured	Hackathorn	\$1,128
	5	5	Street Rat Crazy	J. Hanson	Sick	Hackathorn	\$448

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on March 18, 2012.

One equine death was reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period thirteen horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: one for soundness, five for injury, two for sickness, four for medication, none for bleeding, one for shock wave therapy, and none for coggins. Fourteen 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 03/16	SAT 03/17	SUN 03/18	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	7
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	1
CLAIMS			R		7	3	5	15	176
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	12
INQUIRIES	D				0	0	0	0	20
REFUNDS		A			2	2	2	6	80
RULINGS			Y		1	1	1	3	48

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

Albert Christiansen (Steward)

George Slender (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)

Randy Winick (Safety Steward)