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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 August 21, 2012 through August 26, 2012.

TUESDAY

08/21/2012

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will monitor entries in the mornings and will compile the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book for Friday, maiden two year olds for a claiming price of \$5,000, was called off with three (1 CAL-BRED). Sub #3 in the book, maiden three, four and five year olds for a claiming price of \$5,000 was called off with two (2 CAL-BREDS).

(3) THE DRAW

Nine races were drawn for Friday evening consisting of three Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse contests.

WEDNESDAY

08/22/2012

(1) SCRATCHES

Three rider changes completed Friday's program adjustments.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The third race in the book for Saturday, maiden two year olds for a \$16,000 tag, was called off with two (1 CAL-BRED). Sub #6 in the book, three and up for a \$16,000 claim, was called off with one (1 CAL-BRED).

(3) THE DRAW

Saturday evening's nine race card will feature two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse events.

THURSDAY

08/23/2012

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m. resulting in two rider changes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The third race in the book for Sunday, maiden fillies two years old, was called off with three (3 CAL-BREDS). Sub #2 in the book, three year olds for a claiming price of \$10,000, was used open with five CAL-BREDS.

(3) THE DRAW

One Thoroughbred and eight Quarter Horse races will make up Sunday's program. The feature of the evening will be the \$236,400 Golden State Derby.

FRIDAY

08/24/2012

(1) SCRATCHES

There were no changes at scratch time on Sunday's program.

(2) RULING #130RULING #130

GROOM ANDRES PENA, HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON AUGUST 24, 2012, TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE #12LA0159, ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1489 (H) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE - METH) AND #1902 (CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO HORSE RACING) 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 ANDRES PENA 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.

The above ruling was issued after groom Andres Pena failed to appear to answer charges alleged in case #12LA0159.

(3) FILMS

At the Stewards request jockey Eulices Gomez was in to review Sunday's third race. Under a left-handed whip his mount ducked out causing "One Famous Fine" to steady. The consensus was the outcome of the race was not compromised, however Eulices could have done a better job keeping his mount on a straight course. Gomez was quite candid admitting he had done a far less than stellar job in his desire to win a race while ignoring his responsibility to maintain a straight course. Considering the outcome of the race was not affected, a warning was issued.

(4) EIGHTH RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

Following the eighth race the Stewards posted the Inquiry to examine an incident shortly before the wire. #4 "Separtini" (3rd – C. Mendez) under a left-handed whip drifted out causing #5 "Canucatcher Star" (4th – J. Cruz) to alter course abruptly, bumping #7 "Fire Blu" (5th – S. Mendez) and knocking her off stride. After speaking with the riders involved and a thorough review of the film the decision was unanimous to disqualify "Separtini."

Original Order of Finish: 3 – 2 – (4) – 5 – 7 – 1

Official Order of Finish: 3 – 2 – 5 – 7 – (4) – 1

(5) NINTH RACE – INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – NO CHANGE

The Inquiry was put up following the ninth race to review an accident midway into the race. "A First Down Snow" appeared to lock up behind, unseating jockey Ramon Sanchez. The filly was racing in the clear when the incident occurred so no other horses were inconvenienced. The filly was trailered off and Sanchez returned to the Jockey's Room unassisted.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

4th Race - # 4 A Mere Fortune (Tr. J. Moreno) entered back, Stewards.

Refund: \$260.00.

10 Forgotten Dynasty (Tr. J. Cooper) flipped in Receiving Barn, Dr. Beck.

Refund: \$1,420.00.

8th Race - # 6 Deja La Blue (Tr. C. Joiner) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$6,036.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,159	On Track Handle:	\$166,669.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,131</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$390,846.20
Total:	3,290	Out of State:	<u>\$746,093.79</u>
		Total:	\$1,303,609.69

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$408,263

SATURDAY

08/25/2012

(1) MENDEZ RULING

RULING #131

JOCKEY CRUZ MENDEZ WHO RODE "SEPARTINI" IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2012, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2ND AND 7TH, 2012) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM THIRD TO SIXTH POSITION. 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 foregoing ruling was issued after jockey Cruz Mendez met with the Stewards to discuss his disqualification in last evening's eighth race. Cruz had very little to offer in the way of a defense. Refer: 8/24/12 (4)

(2) NORWOOD RULING

RULING #132

OWNER BRIAN NORWOOD, HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON AUGUST 25, 2012, TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE #12LA0169, 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 BRIAN NORWOOD 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.

The above ruling was issued after owner Brian Norwood failed to appear to address charges of alleged violation of Rule #1876 noted in Case #12LA0169.

(3) FIRST RACE – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

The Inquiry was posted following the first race to examine the break. #5 "Inmate Separate" lunged at the start hitting the side of the gate, unseating jockey Ramon Sanchez. "Inmate Separate" was declared a starter after it was confirmed no malfunction of the starting gate had occurred.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

6th Race - # 1 Eladins Dream (Tr. R. Dominguez) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$310.00.

9th Race - # 3 Jabuti Eagle SA (Tr. P. Jones) stake, Stewards.
Refund: \$391.00.

9 Ill Be A Dasher (Tr. J. Hanson) stake, Stewards.
Refund: \$314.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,372	On Track Handle:	\$171,619.90
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,092</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$409,598.80
Total:	3,464	Out of State:	<u>\$673,673.63</u>
		Total:	\$1,254,892.33

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$400,144

SUNDAY

08/26/2012

(1) SPOONEMORE RULING

RULING #133

GROOM MICHAEL L. SPOONEMORE IS SUSPENDED FOR THE TERM OF HIS LICENSE (11/2012) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1489 (H) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE - MARIJUANA) AND #1875 (FIREARMS).

The foregoing ruling was issued after the Stewards met with groom Michael Spoonemore concerning citation #7404. Mr. Spoonemore was very cooperative admitting all of the violations he was charged with.

(2) SECURITY VISITS

The Stewards met with Los Alamitos Security and California Horse Racing Board investigators to discuss drug violations and what is required as far as rehabilitation is concerned. It was brought to our attention that Chaplain Armas does not have the credentials to be conducting any rehabilitation programs. It was decided that in the future the Chaplain will consult with Security Captain Rick Castaneda concerning any drug violations and the subjects will be advised as to what facilities will be acceptable.

(3) SEVENTH RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry was posted following the seventh race to review an incident shortly after the break. #5 "Three Corona Classic" (3rd – L. Gonzalez) broke in knocking #4 "Cub Scout" (4th – G. Suarez) off stride. At the wire "Three Corona Classic's" margin over "Cub Scout" was a neck. After speaking with the involved riders and examining the replay the Stewards felt that "Cub Scout" was compromised by at least a neck and voted unanimously to disqualify "Three Corona Classic."

Original Order of Finish: 6 – 2 – (5) – 4 – 1 – 3

Official Order of Finish: 6 – 2 – 4 – (5) – 1 – 3

(3) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race - # 6 Full Boat (Tr. L. Hernandez) horse note on grounds, Stewards.
Refund: \$660.00.

6th Race - # 5 Single And Risky (Tr. F. Gonzalez) injured in gate, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$5,288.00.

8th Race - # 5 Strawflyin Hawk (Tr. F. Gonzalez) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$371.00.

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	909	On Track Handle:	\$152,183.70
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,983</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$316,389.60
Total:	2,892	Out of State:	<u>\$642,267.95</u>
		Total:	\$1,110,841.25

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$405,671

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>
8/24/2012	4	10	Forgotten Dynasty	J. Cooper	Flipped in Receiving Barn	Beck	\$1,420
	8	6	Deja La Blue	C. Joiner	Sick	Hackathorn	\$6,036
8/25/2012	6	1	Eladins Dream	R. Dominguez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$310
8/26/2012	6	5	Single And Risky	F. Gonzalez	Injured in gate	Hackathorn	\$5,288
	8	5	Strawflyin Hawk	F. Gonzalez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$371

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted August 26, 2012. No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period seventeen horses were added to the Veterinarian list as follows: three for soundness, four for injury, one for sickness, seven for medication, none for bleeding, one for shock wave therapy, and one for coggins. Eight horses previously on the Veterinarian's list were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**SUMMARY**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 08/24	SAT 08/25	SUN 08/26	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				1	0	0	1	17
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	24
CLAIMS			R		5	4	5	14	258
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	1	0	1	2	41
INQUIRIES	D				2	1	1	4	67
REFUNDS		A			3	3	3	9	232
RULINGS			Y		1	2	1	4	133

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

James Dreyer (Steward)

Albert Christiansen (Steward)

George Slender (Steward)

Randy Winick (Safety Steward)