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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, Inc.

Santa Anita Park

To the California Horse Racing Board

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Week 2– Sunday, October 4, 2015 – Saturday, October 10, 2015

SUNDAY
10/4/15[1]

GARCIA FORMAL HEARING - CASE 15LT010 - CASE 15LT011

Trainer RAMON GARCIA met with the BOS to discuss both complaints filed by the CHRB. The first involved a possible violation of CHRB rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting) and #1581 (Racing Secretary to Establish Conditions). Mr. Garcia explained several problems that occurred while transporting his horse from Galway Downs to Los Alamitos to race. He did arrive at 1:00 PM (2:00 PM post time) and was scheduled to race in the ninth and last race (post time 4:30 PM). He was in contact with Steward JAUREGUI and the Receiving barn during this transition. In accordance with CHRB rule #1846 (Racing Soundness Examination), the exam has to be completed no later than two hours prior to the post time in which the horse is to race, if not on lasix; (the horse was not listed to race with lasix). CHRB rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting - rules in the condition book) requires that horses be on the grounds five hours before the particular race or two hours before first post, whichever comes first.
Mr. Garcia's horse missed that deadline but was within the guidelines of CHRB rule #1846, requiring the veterinary staff to make special arrangements to conduct their soundness check.

The second case involves CHRB rules #1698 (Failure to Start and Run), #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration), #1502 (Program Trainer Prohibited), and #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse). The facts are as follows: trainer ELOY NAVARRO is not allowed to race at Los Alamitos in accordance with a management stipulation. He asked Mr. Garcia to put the runner, I AM GLOBAL, in his name as trainer to race at Los Alamitos. Mr. Garcia stated he was not aware this late transfer would violate CHRB rules. Los Alamitos Investigators TOM BLAKE and KEVIN KITASHIMA traveled to Galway Downs to verify the location of the entrant; they found the horse was still stabled in Mr. Navarro's stall. Upon this information the horse was scratched by the acting BOS. Decision to follow for both cases.

10/4/15[2] **BRINKERHOFF/ DORMAN CONTINUED HEARING - CASE DM0046 (Refer 8/29/15[2]**

Trainer VAL BRINKERHOFF and owner FRANK DORMAN met to discuss a bill owed to Veterinarian JEFF BLEA. Mr. Brinkerhoff and Mr. Dorman attended a horse sale together; neither agreed with the other's testimony as to what occurred during that two-day time period. Mr. Dorman was adamant he did not give Mr. Brinkerhoff permission to request four pre-sale purchase exams by Dr. Blea. Mr. Brinkerhoff testified he attended the sale at Mr. Dorman's request and Mr. Dorman approved Dr. Blea to examine the possible purchases. After hearing all the facts of the case, the BOS felt Mr. Dorman did owe the remainder of the bill. He left a check for Dr. Blea before leaving the office.

10/4/15[3] **CANANI RULING (Refer 7/29/15[1])**

The following ruling was distributed upon the decision of the BOS. There was also a statement of decision which accompanied the ruling.

LATC #012

> Trainer JULIO CANANI is suspended pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1489 (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Racing) for a civil court judgment for fraud, breach of fiduciary duty and agency, conspiracy and unjust enrichment.
> The period of suspension will begin on October 26, 2015, and continue through the term of his license (November 30, 2016). Before being relicensed Mr. CANANI is ordered to participate in a fitness for license hearing.
> During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of JULIO CANANI are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule 1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), Mr. CANANI is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

10/4/15[4] **DESORMEAUX RULING (Refer 8/14/15[2])**

The following ruling was issued after the Statement of Decision was formalized:

LATC #013

> Jockey KENT DESORMEAUX is fined TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($2,500.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules 1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement) and 1874 (Disorderly Conduct – under the influence of alcohol during the racing card). Furthermore, Mr. Desormeaux is suspended for a period of thirty (30) days. However, the suspension is stayed unless Mr. Desormeaux receives a similar violation in this or any other racing jurisdiction in the period ending with the expiration of his license (February 2, 2018).

10/4/15[5] **GOOD RACING**

The afternoon card was completed without notable incidents. Changes made are listed below.

10/4/15[6] **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1st race - No Changes; Refund $184.00
2nd race - #3 BROLAZZA (Tr. G. Piccioni) Veterinarian – unsound - Dr. Stead
Refund $652.60
3rd race - No Changes; Refund $855.60 Minus Pool $4,864.37
4th race - OFF TURF; Refund $279.50
5th race - #3 NOTTE STELLATA (Tr. W. Solis) Veterinarian – injured - Dr. Stead
Refund $571.00

6th race - OFF TURF
#3 THANKSGIVING DAY (IRE) (Tr. N. Drysdale) Steward - off turf
#10 ROCKIN ROBIN (Tr. M. Glatt) Steward - off turf
Refund $4,306.45
7th race - #4 REAL BIG DEAL (Tr. E. Kruljac) Steward - track condition
#7 SWISS SILVER (Tr. M. Harrington) Steward - track condition
Refund $2,541.05
8th race - OFF TURF
#4 CHAULK O LATTY (Tr. R. Baltas) Steward - stake
Refund $1,516.75
9th race - #7 NINE POINT NINE (Tr. C. Dollase) claimed by Tr. V. Cerin
No refund

10/4/15[7] **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	6,704	1,210,692.70
SCOTWinc	5,752	1,792,674.60
Out of state + ADW	N/A	5,379,971.58
Total	12,456	8,383,338.88

THURSDAY

10/8/15[1] **STEWARD REPLACEMENT**

LUIS JAUREGUI will replace SCOTT CHANEY this week as Mr. Chaney is competing, once again, in the Iron Man World Championship in Kona, Hawaii.

10/8/15[2] **MEAIRS HEARING - CASE 15LT022**

The CHRB filed a financial complaint (#1876) for practicing veterinarian MELINDA BLUE against owner JOHN MEAIRS in the amount of $3,718.55, plus on-going charges for his only horse, MY SWEET AFLEET. Dr. Blue was present and Mr. Meairs was available by telephone. After conversation, an agreement was reached and will be signed.

10/8/15[3] **ACCIDENT - FIRST RACE - NO CHANGE**

The #2 WILD (Tr. J. Mullins) was pulled up after it went wrong near the 5/16 pole. The jockey (Tyler Baze) was unseated and the horse was removed by equine ambulance. Notification and accident reports attached.

10/8/15[4] **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1st race - #2 WILD (Tr. J. Mullins) DNF-ambulance removed
#6 DOYOUKNOWSOMETHING (Tr. A. C. Avila) Veterinarian – sick - Dr.Grande
Refund $1,174.28
2nd race- No Changes; Refund $52.00 Minus Pool $323.44
3rd race - #1 ALWAYS A CHANCE (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. R. Diodoro
#4 LUCKY STUDENT (Tr. B. Spawr) claimed by Tr. A. Kitchingman
#6 SWISSARELLA (Tr. R. Becerra) claimed by Tr. V. Cerin
#7 SHARED IMAGE (Tr. M. Glatt) claimed by Tr. M. Machowsky
Refund $91.52
4th race - #5 KITTY'S KARMA (Tr. C. Sise) Veterinarian – sick - Dr. Stead
Refund $1,000.86
5th race - No Changes; Refund $12.00
6th race - #1 HOT AND PLEASING (Tr. J. Cassidy) Veterinarian –sick – Dr. Stead
Refund $184.28

7th race - No Changes; No refund
8th race - No Changes; No refund

10/8/15[5] **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,631	616,561.70
SCOTWinc	3,638	1,048,146.50
Out of state + ADW	N/A	3,198,036.61
Total	6,269	4,862,744.81

FRIDAY

10/9/15[1] **JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

MARIO GUTIERREZ met with the Stewards to review the seventh race yesterday which involved congestion soon after the start. There were several horses involved and it was decided Mr. Gutierrez was no more culpable than the others in the incident.

FELIPE VALDEZ also met with the Stewards to discuss his use of the crop in the fourth race yesterday. After a review it was evident that Mr. Valdez used the crop four times in succession. The following ruling was issued:

LATC #014

Jockey FELIPE VALDEZ is suspended for ONE (1) racing day (October 16, 2015) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond – fourth offense), during the fourth race at Santa Anita Park on October 8, 2015. Term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

10/9/15[2] **VOIDED CLAIM**

After Official Veterinarian TIM GRANDE examined the claimed horse, #8 FRANDONTJUDGE who raced in the fifth race, the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List and the claim was voided. The horse will return to the stable of JERRY HOLLENDORFER.

10/9/15[3] **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1st race - #1 SHEZA EYEOPENER (Tr. M. Pender) claimed by Tr. R. Becerra
#4 ATOMICSSEVENTYNINE (Tr. D. Hofmans) Veterinarian – sick - Dr. Stead
Refund $839.30
2nd race - No Changes; No refund Minus Pool $55.33
3rd race - No Changes; No refund
4th race - No Changes; Refund $27.00
5th race - #8 FRANDONTJUDGE (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) claimed by Tr. P. Miller **VOIDED**
Refund $137.00
6th race - #3 TWO SIX WINS (Tr. M. Pender) Veterinarian – sick - Dr. Grande
#5 A COLT FOLLOWING (Tr. J. Bonde) claimed by Tr. B. Spawr
Refund $937.04
7th race - No Changes; Refund $2,019.16
8th race - No Changes; Refund $18.70

10/9/15[4] **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,471	586,232.40
SCOTWinc	4,125	1,259,701.20
Out of state + ADW	N/A	4,034,370.93
Total	6,596	5,880,304.53

SATURDAY

10/10/15[1] **ROUTINE MORNING**

Without hearings scheduled, regular morning procedures were handled without notation.

10/10/15[2] **INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION - SECOND RACE (6 1/2 turf)**

Following the running of the race the Inquiry sign was posted to review an incident in the stretch. Approaching the 1/8 pole, #9 OUR FIRST GIRL (F. Perez, 2nd) drifted in several paths causing #7 VENDITA (J. Graham, 7th) on the fence, to take up sharply for several strides. After conversation with the Patrol Judges and both jockeys involved, it was a unanimous decision to disqualify #9 and place it seventh, behind #7. It was the opinion of the Stewards that #7 was denied the opportunity of a better placing.

Original order of finish: 10-(9)-12-11-1-3-7-2-5-6-4-8
Official order of finish: 10-12-11-1-3-7-(9)-2-5-6-4-8

10/10/15[3] **INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION - SEVENTH RACE (1 mile turf)**

Following the running of the race the Inquiry sign was posted to review an incident in the stretch. Approaching the 1/16 pole, #7 LUCKY FOLIE (G. Stevens, 2nd) drifted in forcing #3 MIRAGE (T. Baze, 3rd) on the fence, to take up sharply. After talking with the Patrol Judges and both jockeys involved, it was a unanimous decision to disqualify #7 and place it third behind #3. In the opinion of the Stewards #3 was cost the opportunity of a better placing.

Original order of finish: 2-(7)-3-11-1-5-10-4-8-6-9
Official order of finish: 2-3-(7)-11-1-5-10-4-8-6-9

10/10/15[4] **CLAIM VOIDED**

Upon examination of #10 TURNOVER in the tenth race by Official Veterinarian TIM GRANDE, the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List and the claim was voided. The horse was returned to the stable of trainer BOB BAFFERT.

10/10/15[5] **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1st race - No Changes; Refund $154.00
2nd race - No Changes; Refund $1,665.34
3rd race - No Changes; No refund
4th race - No Changes; No refund
5th race - No Changes; No refund
6th race - No Changes; Refund $452.93
7th race - No Changes; Refund $992.41
8th race - #11 MINER'S LIGHT (Tr. C. Gaines) Veterinarian – Sick - Dr. Grande
Refund $5,269.88
9TH race - #6 REAL BIG DEAL (Tr. E. Kruljac) C. Nakatani replaced G. Stevens (sick)
No refund
10th race- #6 GIANT EGO (Tr. R. Diodoro) claimed by Tr. S. Miyadi
#10 TURNOVER (Tr. B. Baffert) claimed by Tr. D. O'Neill **VOIDED**
Refund $34.80

10/10/15[6] **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	6,394	1,126,793.40
SCOTWinc	6,231	2,053,554.90
Out of state + ADW	N/A	7,153,419.15
Total	12,625	10,333,767.45

VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 9/28/15 – 10/4/15

Horses on Vet List	12
Horses off Vet List	17
Shock Wave Therapy	11
Deceased	2
Medication	0

ATTENDANCE REPORT – The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

SUMMARY

	Sun 10/4	Thurs 10/8	Fri 10/9	Sat 10/10	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	1	0	0	1	3
Cal-Bred Races	5	2	0	1	8	10
Claims	1	4	2	2	9	20
Disqualifications	0	0	0	2	2	3
Inquiries	0	0	0	2	2	7
Refunds	7	3	2	1	13	49
Rulings	2	0	1	0	3	14
Voided Claims	0	0	1	1	2	3

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments
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