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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 3 – Thursday, January 14, 2016 – Monday, January 18, 2016

THURSDAY

1/14/16¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey MARIO GUTIERREZ came to the office to review his ride in the third race on Sunday. We looked at two issues: (1) his horse shifted out under left-handed whipping while only marginally clear of a rival; and (2) at one point in the stretch, we felt that he may have used his riding crop four times in succession without giving his horse the chance to respond. He agreed with the first issue and was cautioned to keep a straighter course. Upon further review of the whipping, we believe that he was very close to the two strides required to meet our standard for giving the horse a chance to respond. We therefore cautioned him to allow an extra stride in order to solidly comply with the rule.

1/14/16²

INQUIRY/NO CHANGE

During the running of the fifth race (6.5 furlongs on the hillside turf course) we posted the Inquiry sign to review the start of #6 BLUEGRASS BRONCO who stumbled and lost his rider MARTIN PEDROZA. Video confirmed that the horse simply stumbled on its own and therefore no change to the original placings was appropriate. Furthermore, the horse was declared a starter. See attached accident report.

1/14/16³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS

1 st Race	#1 KNOCK EM FLAT – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grande #3 SAINT ADALBERT – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead #4 FORMALLY WILD – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead Refund \$2,272.59
2 nd Race	#2 BLUEGRASS SIGHT – Claimed – R. Hess Jr., trainer #5 CARLOT COWBOY – Claimed – G. Papaprodromou, trainer #6 BACK TO BAKO – Claimed – C. Lopez, trainer Refund \$25.00
3 rd Race	#4 LOOKINGFORADANGER – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande Refund \$934.94; Minus pool \$182.77

4 th Race	No changes; Refund \$87.00
5 th Race	#5 BACCELO (BRZ) – Claimed -- P. Miller, trainer #13 CHIEF LION – Stewards’ scratch, also eligible Refund \$638.70
6 th Race	#3 FAMILY CODE – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande Refund \$1,234.84
7 th Race	No changes; Refund \$43.00
8 th Race	#8 SELECTION – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Stead #5 EDZACTLY – Claimed – D. O’Neill, trainer Refund \$1,429.56

1/14/16⁴**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,532	581,734.50
SCOTWinc	3,768	1,023,000.10
Out of state + ADW	N/A	2,763,168.57
Total	6,300	4,367,903.10

FRIDAY
1/15/16¹**FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice jockey DAVID LOPEZ came to the office to review his ride in the fourth race yesterday. We were concerned with Mr. Lopez’s ride and use of crop in the stretch. He was not in contention for any significant placing; in fact, he and fellow apprentice BRUNO PANICUCCI were only competing for seventh and eighth places (last and next to last). Video revealed that he used his whip several times and his horse even drifted out under left-handed urging, making contact with his rival. Mr. Lopez stated that he was racing his fellow rider for last. We issued the following ruling:

LATS #011

Apprentice jockey DAVID C. LOPEZ, who rode SUPERSIDE, seventh place finisher in the fourth race on January 14, 2016, at Santa Anita Race Track, is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Whips – clearly out of race).

Jockey VICTOR ESPINOZA came to the office to review his ride in the third race yesterday in which he eased his horse before the wire, costing his connections fifth place. He claimed that the horse was tired. Unfortunately, the horse was so far back that the video provided no evidence as to the infraction. Therefore, we felt that it was not appropriate to issue a penalty but warned Mr. Espinoza that had the video been more complete, he would have been penalized.

1/15/16²**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1 st Race	#2 ROOM ON THE BROOM – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande Refund \$2,058.30; Minus Pool \$329.72
2 nd Race	No changes; Refund \$34.30
3 rd Race	#3 DESERT MADAM – Claimed – R. Diodoro, trainer #4 SMOOTH TALKER – Claimed – K. Mulhall, trainer Refund \$61.00
4 th Race	#6 FAMILY FOREVER – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande Refund \$532.50
5 th Race	No changes; Refund \$25.00
6 th Race	No changes; Refund \$169.00
7 th Race	#5 DECKED OUT – Stewards’ scratch, entered back Refund \$3,118.93
8 th Race	#9 QUE CHISTOSO – Claimed – R. Hess, Jr., trainer

1/15/16³**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,903	601,432.40
SCOTWinc	4,051	1,148,298.40
Out of state + ADW	N/A	4,543,899.85
Total	6,954	6,293,630.65

SATURDAY1/16/16¹**FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice jockey ROSIE HIGGINS came to the office to review her first career ride in yesterday's eighth race. We wanted to review the race which went well for the most part, but wanted to encourage her to take back a little sooner than she did when approaching the turn. She welcomed the advice.

Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE came to the office to review his use of the crop in the stretch run of the second race. On two occasions, Mr. Van Dyke used his crop five times in succession without giving his horse a chance to respond. It has been more than sixty days since his last offense; however, we view this as two violations and therefore issued the following penalty:

LATS #012

Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE, who rode MISS DOUBLE D'ORO in the second race on January 15, 2016 at Santa Anita Race Track, is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) 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 [twice in one race] – first and second offenses).

Jockey MODESTO LINARES came to the office to review his ride in the fourth race yesterday. In the stretch, Mr. Linares struck his horse in the chin while attempting to flag as he approached the wire. We issued the following ruling:

LATS #013

Jockey MODESTO LINARES who rode TRINITYS TURN in the fourth race on January 15, 2016, at Santa Anita Race Track, is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop – misuse).

1/16/16²**STEWARDS' REVIEW**

We conducted a Stewards' review after the running of the seventh race (La Canada – Grade II) to examine the apparent equipment failure of #3 OSCAR PARTY (S. Gonzalez). Films showed that his left rein broke entering the first turn. The horse and rider were eventually pulled up by the outrider.

1/16/16³**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1 st Race	#5 VOLKONSKY – Claimed – M. Delgado, trainer #6 CANDY FOR DEBBIE – Claimed – F. Lucarelli, trainer Refund \$190.72
2 nd Race	#6 CHICAGO STYLE – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead Refund \$1,411.68
3 rd Race	No changes
4 th Race	#1 SWISS SILVER – Rider change – T. Pereira for O. Santos (injured) #10 SYNDICATED – Claimed – C. Lewis, trainer
5 th Race	No changes; Refund \$49.00
6 th Race	#8 DOODETTA – Claimed – V. Belvoir, trainer Refund \$101.00

7th Race #1 TARA'S TANGO – Stewards' scratch, stake
 #4 HONEY RIDE – Stewards' scratch, stake
 Refund \$1,983.64; Minus Pool \$192.58
 8th Race No changes; Refund \$296.00
 9th Race #9 AVAUDREY – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande
 Refund \$4,378.49

1/16/16⁴**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	8,001	1,516,934.40
SCOTWinc	6,281	2,004,809.70
Out of state + ADW	N/A	6,563,770.25
Total	14,282	10,085,514.35

SUNDAY1/17/16¹**ALEGRIA HEARING**

Hot walker FRANCIS ALEGRIA came to the office to answer case number 16SA004 which was a complaint filed by the CHRB alleging a marijuana positive test. Ms. Alegria was candid in stating that she smoked occasionally off the grounds. After hearing the facts, we issued the following ruling:

LATS #014

Hot walker FRANCIS ALEGRIA is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00) and placed on probation through January 1, 2017, for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – test positive – marijuana). Furthermore FRANCIS ALEGRIA is required to be on a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board.

1/17/16²**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey TYLER BAZE came to the office to review his use of the crop in the stretch of the ninth race which he won. Mr. Baze used his crop more than three times in succession without giving his horse the chance to respond. He explained that he thought the crop rule has changed. Obviously the rule has not changed and Mr. Baze was therefore penalized in the following ruling:

LATS #015

Jockey TYLER BAZE is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) 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 – first offense in the last sixty days), during the ninth race at Santa Anita Race Track on January 16, 2016.

1/17/16³**PRITCHARD HEARING**

We held an informal hearing by telephone to hear case number 15DM093 which was a complaint filed by the CHRB against owner RICK PRITCHARD alleging violation of the CHRB rule 1489. This matter stemmed from a restraining order obtained by his wife which alleged domestic violence. Mr. Pritchard was convicted of misdemeanor violation of the restraining order twice. The second time he was sentenced to 180 days in county jail, some of which he served before being released yesterday. We listened to Mr. Pritchard's explanation and took the CHRB's recommendation of probation under consideration. Decision to follow.

1/17/16⁴**LATE DECLARATIONS**

#2 INVISIBLE HANDS was declared from the third race when she failed to appear at the receiving barn. Apparently, there was a miscommunication between her trainer JERRY WALLACE and the groom he hired to run the filly. Ruling to follow.

#6 HOW UNUSUAL was a late veterinarian scratch from the ninth race when she became fractious in the gate on the hillside turf course, getting stuck underneath it. She was eventually dislodged. Fortunately, she did not suffer major injury but did cause a 10 minute delay to the start of the race.

1/17/16⁵**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1st Race #1 SECRET COMMAND – Claimed – R. Hess, Jr., trainer
#2 NO CONTINGENCY – Claimed – R. Diodoro, trainer
#4 SACRED OVATION – Claimed – K. Mulhall, trainer

2nd Race #3 ENDURING ERIN – Claimed – P. Miller, trainer

3rd Race #2 INVISIBLE HANDS – Stewards' scratch, no show
Refund \$2,088.59; Minus Pool \$7.66

4th Race #9 PEGGY SUE'S LOOSE – Claimed – J. Hollendorfer, trainer
Refund \$141.00

5th Race #4 JAZZIE CAT – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Grande
Refund \$1,404.90; Minus Pool \$2,050.59

6th Race No changes; Refund \$408.04

7th Race No changes; Refund \$1,182.24

8th Race #10 TRIBAL HEADDRESS – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead
#9 PICO CHICK – Claimed – D. Velasquez, trainer. Refund \$4,063.06

9th Race #5 AMBER LOUISE – Rider change – E. Maldonado for M. Pedroza (injured)
#11 MISS INJUSTICE – Stewards' scratch, also eligible
#12 CORONADO COOL – Stewards' scratch, also eligible
#13 NEWCOMB -- Stewards' scratch, also eligible
Refund \$106,676.72

1/17/16⁶**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	6,012	1,110,223.70
SCOTWinc	5,426	1,717,984.10
Out of state + ADW	N/A	5,539,053.66
Total	11,438	8,367,261.46

MONDAY1/18/16¹**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey FERNANDO PEREZ came to the office to review his ride in the eighth race yesterday. Specifically we felt that he could have made a better effort in correcting his horse leaving the starting gate. Video revealed that his horse (#4 MISS LORI) did break outwardly, forcing #5 STREET GODDESS (a bit slow) out, who then clipped heels with #6. #3 SOONER TIME complicated matters by breaking out as well and either forcing or following Perez's mount, depending on one's point of view. Mr. Perez did correct his mount on the third stride. The majority felt that although Mr. Perez could have correctly on the second stride, a warning was in order, partly due to the fact that the other horses shared culpability. Steward BAKER felt that three suspension days were appropriate.

1/18/16²**LOPEZ RULING – LATS #016**

We issued the following ruling when owner DIANA LOPEZ failed to appear yesterday to answer van driver RICARDO MENDEZ's financial complaint (case number 16SA006) alleging unpaid vaning bills:

Owner DIANA LOPEZ, having failed to respond to a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility - \$1,140.00 to RICARDO MENDEZ – Horse Transportation), is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of DIANA LOPEZ are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), DIANA LOPEZ is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

1/18/16³**WALLACE RULING – LATS #017 - (Refer 1/17/16⁴)**

We issued the following ruling pursuant to the late scratch described yesterday:

Trainer JERRY WALLACE, who was scheduled to start INVISIBLE HANDS in the third race on January 17, 2016 at Santa Anita Park, is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – failed to bring horse to Receiving Barn).

1/18/16⁴**INQUIRY/NO CHANGE**

During the running of the first race, we posted the Inquiry sign to examine the start of #4 PRINCESS KATIE, who stumbled badly after leaving the gate. The starter reported, and video confirmed, that the horse stumbled after the second stride. Therefore no change was necessary, and the horse was declared a starter.

1/18/16⁵**STEWARDS' REVIEW**

After the running of the ninth race, we conducted a Stewards' review into the start of the #10 BLIX CURVE who broke slowly. Video showed that the horse threw its head right as the gate opened and therefore caused his own problems. Hence, no inquiry was necessary.

1/18/16⁶**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1 st Race	No changes.
2 nd Race	No changes.
3 rd Race	No changes; Refund \$62.00
4 th Race	#5 DRYLIGHTNING – Claimed – C. Bonnet for O. Santos (injured) #2 BISTRO LIGHTS – Claimed – D. Pederson, trainer Refund \$112.00
5 th Race	#6 TALE OF LIFE (JPN) – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead #14 LIME RICKEY – Stewards' scratch, also eligible Refund \$3,114.50
6 th Race	No changes.
7 th Race	#3 COUGAR COUNTRY – Claimed – R. Becerra, trainer #5 BANDIDO TOO – Claimed – C. Dollase, trainer #9 GLITTER OF SILVER – Claimed – S. Miyadi, trainer #7 ROPER – pulled up, walked off – P. D'Amato, trainer
8 th Race	No changes; Refund \$2.30
9 th Race	No changes.

1/18/16⁷**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	6,864	1,196,496.20
SCOTWinc	4,623	1,454,656.30
Out of state + ADW	N/A	6,006,573.56
Total	11,487	8,657,726.06

VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 1/11/16 – 1/17/16

Horses on Vet List	14
Horses off Vet List	10
Shock Wave Therapy	17
Deceased	2

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

	Thurs 1/14/16	Fri 1/15/16	Sat 1/16/16	Sun 1/17/16	Mon 1/18/16	Week	Meet
Accidents	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Cal-Bred Races	1	0	0	2	2	5	19
Claims	5	3	4	6	4	22	74
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inquiries	1	0	0	0	1	2	10
Refunds	8	7	7	7	4	33	115
Rulings	0	1	2	2	2	7	17
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	4

Respectfully submitted,

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Grant W. Baker, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Safety
Steward