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WEEKLY UPDATE

SACRAMENTO, CA – This is the California Horse Racing Board's weekly update of complaints, accusations, stewards rulings, and Board decisions involving Class 1, 2, and 3 medication violations and other significant matters.

In accordance with a stipulated agreement between the CHRB and the licensee, the stewards at Golden Gate Fields issued a \$6,500 fine to trainer Troy Bainum for violation of Rules 1887 and 1843 (a,d) after two horses in his care tested in excess of the permitted level for albuterol, a Class 3 medication. Albuterol is a bronchodilator. Salty M.D. ran fifth in the fourth race at the San Joaquin County Fair on June 24, 2005. Easy Pickins finished first in the fifth race at the Alameda County Fair on July 9, 2005. The stewards disqualified both horses and ordered the redistribution of the purses.

The stewards at Santa Anita Park suspended pony rider Tashina Boehnlein for one year for violation of Rules 1890 (Possession of Contraband) and 1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing) following a hearing on a complaint filed by the CHRB alleging Boehnlein handed jockey Carlos Bautista an electrical device to shock a horse during the warm-up period prior to the start of the second race at Fairplex Park on September 24, 2006. It was further alleged that Bautista handed the device back to Boehnlein before the start of the race. The stewards earlier suspended Bautista for one year, which is under appeal.

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