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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 Mike Mitchell, the stewards at Santa Anita Park fined the trainer \$5,000 for violation of CHRB Rules 1843, 1843.6 (d) (1) (2), and 1887 after a horse in his care, Dynout, exceeded the regulatory threshold of 37.0mmol/l for total carbon dioxide (TCO₂). This was a Class 3 violation. Dynout finished second in the sixth race at Hollywood Park on November 19, 2006. The stewards disqualified Dynout and ordered a redistribution of the purse. Pursuant to the stipulated agreement, the stewards stayed \$2,000 of the fine, provided Mitchell has no additional Class 1, 2, or 3 violations for one year.

In accordance with a stipulated agreement between the CHRB and Paul Aguirre, the stewards at Santa Anita Park fined the trainer \$3,000 for violation of CHRB Rules 1843, 1843.6 (d) (1) (2), and 1887 after a horse in his care, Jasjonjake, exceeded the regulatory threshold of 37.0mmol/l for total carbon dioxide (TCO₂). This was a Class 3 violation. Jasjonjake finished seventh in the 2nd race at Santa Anita on February 5, 2006.

The stewards at Cal Expo issued a \$1,500 fine to trainer J.R. Nicholson for violation of Rules 1843 (d) and 1887 after the Kenneth Maddy Laboratory at UC Davis reported that a sample from a horse in his care, Black Shoals, contained 4-hydroxypropranolol, a metabolite of propranolol. Propranolol is a beta-2 adrenergic blocking agent occasionally used in humans for hypertension. This was a Class 3 violation. Black Shoals finished in a dead heat for first in the 10th race at Cal Expo on November 4, 2006. The stewards disqualified Black Shoals and ordered a redistribution of the purse.

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