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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc.**

Santa Anita Park, Arcadia, California

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Report for the Week of Monday, February 07, 2022, Through Sunday, February 13, 2022.**WEDNESDAY**2/9/22¹**DARK DAY ENTRIES**

Steward Will Meyers was available to oversee entries for Saturday and to approve program changes for Friday.

THURSDAY2/10/22¹**DARK DAY ENTRIES**

Again, Steward Meyers was in charge of handling issues pertaining to entries for Sunday and declarations and program changes for Saturday.

2/10/22²**ELLIS FORMAL HEARING CASE 21SA0094**

The California Horse Racing Board filed a complaint against trainer RON ELLIS, owners DOUBLEDOWN STABLES, INC., and jockey JOSE VALDIVIA for a violation of CHRB rule #1859.5 (Disqualification Upon Positive Test Finding). The Ellis trainee "Bowl of Cherries" finished third in the first race at Santa Anita Park on June 20, 2021. A report from Ben Moeller of UC Davis Laboratories stated there was an overage of Furosemide in sample #SA34356. This signifies a positive medication finding.

Present for the hearing before the Board of Stewards were, Respondent Ron Ellis with his counsel Steve Swartz. One witness appeared in person, all other witnesses for the hearing were available by Microsoft Teams.

Testimony was heard, exhibits were entered into evidence and the hearing was closed. Decision to follow.

FRIDAY

2/11/22¹

NEW APPRENTICE

HANNAH LEAHEY along with her jockey agent George Bradvica met with the BOS to discuss her apprentice jockey application. When she complies with all the necessary requirements to receive a license, she will be issued an Apprentice Certificate after she is listed on the overnight.

2/11/22²

KROUL RULING

The following ruling was issued after owner ERIC KROUL failed to appear for the scheduled financial hearing.

LATS RULING #41

Owner AARON ERIC KROUL, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Santa Anita Park on February 10, 2022, is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer to charges alleging violation of CHRB rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility- DVM John Araujo, \$829.50). Suspension to commence on February 18, 2022.

During the term of this suspension, all licenses and license privileges of AARON ERIC KROUL are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

2/11/22³

JRA REPRESENTATIVE VISIT

Takahiro Uno, Kei Matsuzawa and Kentaro Sakurai representatives of the JRA visited the Stewards' office, Mr. Uno specifically stated he wanted to say goodbye as his tenure in this country ends in March and he will return to Japan. They all attended the Eclipse Awards as the Japanese mare LOVES ONLY YOU (JPN) was nominated in the category of Female Turf Horse and won the award.

2/11/22⁴

VOIDED CLAIM

After a physical exam by Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio of #6 BELLA RENELLA who finished first in the fourth race, the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List. The Stewards voided the claim and the horse returned to the stable of Doug O'Neill.

2/11/22⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race	#1 DOMINANT SOUL (Tr. P. Capestro) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio Refund \$2,405.19
2nd race	No Changes; Refund \$19.50
3rd race	No Changes; Refund \$50.50
4th race	#1 TIZ A MASTER (Tr. C. DeAlba) claimed by Tr. V. Cerin #3 SUEZAAANA (Tr. A. Williams) Stewards-entered back #4 SWIRLING (Tr. L. Barocio) claimed by Tr. J. Uranga #5 Lady MO (Tr. R. Gomez) Stewards-entered back 6 BELLA RENELLA (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. J. Uranga VOID #7 LI'L GRAZEN (Tr. J. Wong) claimed by Tr. J. Wallace Refund \$648.44; Minus Pool \$169.16
5th race	No Changes; Refund \$114.00
6th race	No Changes; Refund \$323.00; Minus Pool \$2,810.44
7th race	NO SHOW WAGERING #3 Sue Etta Ghost (Tr. W. Solis) Stewards-entered back #5 SHE'S BULLETPROOF (Tr. R. Alvarado) Stewards-entered back #6 SMILLIN EVIE (Tr. R. Baltas) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead Refund \$2,967.78; Minus Pool \$587.50
8th race	#7 LUCY JANE (Tr. L. Mendez) claimed by Tr. B. Vanden Berg Refund \$267.00
9th race	#3 MCWHERTER (Tr. S. Miyadi) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Stead #7 JOHNNY PODRES (Tr. S. Miyadi) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead Refund \$3,727.45

2/11/22⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,068	\$433,075.63
SCOTWinc	2,565	\$983,306.33
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,622,194.09
Total	5,633	\$6,038,576.05

SATURDAY

2/12/22¹

GOMEZ RULING

The following ruling was issued after trainer GOMEZ contacted the Stewards and stated the owners did not want to run their horse in the fourth race yesterday.

LATS RULING #43

Trainer RUBEN GOMEZ, who was scheduled to start LADY MO in the fourth race at Santa Anita Park on February 11, 2022, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – didn't want to run).

2/12/22²

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

RYAN CURATOLO and his agent Mike Ciani met with the Stewards as directed to review the third race yesterday. Mr. Curatolo shifted inward in the back stretch which caused two other horses to shift. He was warned to make adjustments to avoid this action in the future. He promised to do so.

2/12/22³

GOOD RACING

The nine-race card was performed without notable incident. Changes made are listed below.

2/12/22⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, CLAIMS, AND REFUNDS

- 1st race #7 KUORA (PER) (Tr. R. Baltas) claimed by Tr. V. Cerin Refund \$116.50
- 2nd race No Changes; Refund \$29.00
- 3rd race #7 ATLANTIC STRIKE (Tr. J. Wong) Stewards-trainer did not want to run Refund \$701.76
- 4th race #2 STARSHIP CHEWBACCA (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) claimed by Tr. M. Fales
#4 PELICAN WAY (Tr. D. Azcarate) claimed by Tr. M. Pineda
- 5th race No Changes; Refund \$0
- 6th race No Changes; Refund \$14.50
- 7th race No Changes; Refund \$24.50
- 8th race #3 MONGOLIAN BOX (Tr. E. Ganbat) Stewards-no gate card Refund \$519.25
- 9th race No Changes; Refund \$0

2/12/22⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	4,917	\$998,002.45
SCOTWinc	3,706	\$1,450,686.92
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,835,288.08
Total	8,623	\$10,283,977.45

SUNDAY

2/13/22¹

WONG RULING

The following ruling was issued after a telephone conversation with trainer JONATHAN WONG who had jockey agent Jack Carava file a scratch card with the racing office. The Wong trainee ATLANTIC STRIKE was entered to perform in the third race yesterday. It was apparent the horse would not race as it is currently stabled at Golden Gate Fields.

LATS RULING #44

Trainer JONATHAN WONG, who was scheduled to start ATLANTIC STRIKE in the third race at Santa Anita Park on February 12, 2022, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – didn't want to run).

2/13/22²

SMOOTH SAILING

The eight-race program was completed without a ripple. Changes are listed below.

2/13/22³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race No Changes; Refund \$246.40
 2nd race #1 GIANNA'S WILD CAT (Tr. T. Yakteen) claimed by Tr. C. Dollase
 Refund \$104.37
 3rd race #2 LUNATIC (Tr. R.B. Hess, Jr.) claimed by Tr. R. Alvarado
 #5 SHE SAID YES (Tr. J. Wong) Stewards-trainer did not want to run
 Refund \$1,250.37
 4th race No Changes; Refund \$27.00
 5th race No Changes; Refund \$38.50
 6th race No Changes; Refund \$726.32
 7th race #4 GRAY MAGICIAN (Tr. D. Azcarate) Veterinarian-bled am training-Dr. Deluery
 #5 SYNTHESIS (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) claimed by Tr. T. Yakteen
 Refund \$635.32
 8th race #11 STAGE READY (Tr. J.Mullins) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead Refund \$1,161.82

2/13/22⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,581	\$547,930.49
SCOTWinc	2,466	\$947,986.25
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,393,070.76
Total	5,047	\$6,888,987.50

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 2/7/22 TO 2/13/22

Horses on Vet List 13
 Horses off Vet List 7
 Shock Wave Therapy 2
 Fatalities 0
 Medication 0

SUMMARY

	Fri 2/11	Sat 2/12	Sun 2/13	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	2	0	1	3	28
Claims	4	3	3	10	63
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	2
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	6
Refunds	9	6	8	23	111
Rulings	2	1	1	4	44
Voided Claims	1	0	0	1	7

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Steward

David Nuesch, Safety Steward

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