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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Santa Anita Park, Arcadia, California

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Report for Monday, February 14, 2022, Through Monday, February 21, 2022**WEDNESDAY**2/16/22¹**DARK DAY ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Kim Sawyer was in to oversee entries for Saturday and Friday's scratches. The Racing Office carded nine (9) races.

THURSDAY2/17/22¹**DARK DAY ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Kim Sawyer was in to monitor entries for Sunday and scratches for Saturday.

FRIDAY2/18/22¹**WONG RULING**

The following ruling was issued after Trainer JONATHAN WONG elected not to run his horse in Sunday's third race. Mr. Wong stated he had difficulties lining up transportation for his horse to ship down to run and just elected not to run. Steward Sawyer voted for a higher penalty due to second offense.

LATS Ruling #45

Trainer JONATHAN WONG, who was scheduled to start SHE SAID YES in the third race at Santa Anita Park on February 13, 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).

2/18/22²**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey RICARDO GONZALEZ was in our office with fellow Jockey Jessica Pyfer, who was in for support to review Sunday's first race in which he drifted in at the finish line causing the inside horse to steady slightly. The drift was slight and not enough for a suspension, but it was worth a review. He agreed it was a little sloppy and promised to do better in the future.

2/18/22³

NEW JOCKEY

Jockey STEFANO CHERCHI alongside Jockey Umberto Rispoli came in to review our riding rules. Mr. Cherchi was briefed regarding our rules along with Mr. Rispoli. Mr. Cherchi was also asked to come back whenever he has a mount listed in a race so we can refresh his understanding of the rules.

2/18/22⁴

AGENT IN

Jockey Agent DEREK LAWSON who represents Apprentice Jockey Diego Herrera was in to discuss why he did not honor his call with Trainer Tim Yakteen. Mr. Lawson stated he did elect to ride another horse and he felt it was the better horse. Decision to follow.

2/18/22⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1 st Race	No changes; Refund \$1115.83
2 nd Race	#2 QUANTUM QUEST- Claimed by D. O'Neill, trainer #3 RUN SNAPPY- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, injured #4 FORT BRIDGER- Stewards' scratch- Enter back. Refund \$2,322.09
3 rd Race	No changes; Refund \$0
4 th Race	No changes; Refund \$0
5 th Race	#2 FLORAL ESSENCE- VOIDED claim, returns to the barn of J. Mullins #3 PISTACHIO PRINCESS- Claimed by S. Miyadi, trainer
6 th Race	No changes; Refund \$2.00
7 th Race	No changes; Refund \$25.12

2/18/22⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,769	\$416,937.11
SCOTWinc	2,571	\$993,665.96
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,206,341.13
Total	5,340	\$5,616,944.20

2/19/22¹

LAWSON RULING

Jockey Agent DEREK LAWSON was issued the following ruling in reference to yesterday's meeting with us after he didn't honor his call with Trainer Tim Yakteen.

LATS Ruling #46

Jockey Agent DEREK LAWSON is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations – failure to conduct business in a proper manner) on February 13, 2022, at Santa Anita Park.

2/19/22²

MCCANNA RULING

The following ruling was issued when Trainer TIM McCANNA failed to register his horse "GEA" on lasix before entry time for yesterday's first race. Mr. McCanna stated he forgot and being it's a new horse for him that ran on lasix in its previous start at Woodbine Race Track.

LATS Ruling #47

Trainer TIM MCCANNA is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication – late registration) of GEA in the first race on February 18, 2022, at Santa Anita Park.

2/19/22³

FILM REVIEW

Jockey VICTOR ESPINOZA was in to review yesterday's seventh race after he violated the riding crop rule. Mr. Espinoza took full responsibility and accepted the following ruling.

LATS Ruling #48

Jockey VICTOR ESPINOZA is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(8) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times) during the seventh race at Santa Anita Park on February 18, 2022.

Jockey ABEL CEDILLO was summoned to our office this morning after he was involved in a Stewards' inquiry in yesterday's second race. After reviewing the video several times, we determined that he angled his horse in, making contact with the inside horse. Mr. Cedillo agreed with our assessment of the race and stated that he failed to correct quickly. Therefore, the following ruling was issued.

LATS Ruling #49

Jockey ABEL CEDILLO, who rode DREAM ROBBER in the second race at Santa Anita Park on February 18, 2022, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (February 26, 27 & March 4, 2022) for altering course without sufficient clearance shortly after the start and causing interference. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules - Careless Riding). Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

2/19/22⁴

STEWARDS' REVIEW (5th race)

We conducted a Stewards' Review to examine the actions of the #5 CIRCLE OF STARS (D. Herrera) as he crossed the transition of the 6 furlongs turf race. The #5 stumbled as he went back onto the turf causing the rider to lose his stirrup. After reviewing the video, we determined that that no inquiry would be conducted, since the horse caused his own issues with no blame to the other participants.

2/19/22⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race No changes; Refund \$70.08
 2nd Race #6 WALL STREET TRADER- Claimed by J. Sadler, trainer
 Refund \$14.50; Minus Pool \$734.25
 3rd Race #2 TEXAS WENDY- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick
 Refund \$507.83
 4th Race No changes; Refund \$0
 5th Race No changes; Refund \$10.50
 6th Race #2 PINEDALE- Claimed by B. Vanden Berg, trainer. Refund \$7.00
 7th Race #9 CALIFORNIA KOOK- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, injured
 Refund \$1,361.13
 8th Race No changes; Refund \$0
 9th Race No changes; Refund \$0

2/19/22⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	5,205	\$1,064,988.15
SCOTWinc	4,277	\$1,791,023.05
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$6,795,092.89
Total	9,482	\$9,651,104.09

SUNDAY

2/20/22¹

DELGADILLO REINSTATED (Case #19DM0037)

JOSE LUIS DELGADILLO was in our office seeking to be reinstated after he was suspended on May 15, 2021, (LATS Ruling #92) after failing to submit a drug test. Mr. Delgadillo submitted a negative drug test and has complied with the conditions of the Winners Foundation. He will also be required to sign a new testing agreement with the CHRB. Therefore, the following ruling was issued reinstating Mr. Delgadillo.

LATS Ruling #50

Jockey JOSE LUIS DELGADILLO having now complied with a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board (submitted negative test) is deemed eligible for licensing. Ruling #92 issued on May 15, 2021, at the Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc. is hereby set aside. Further JOSE LUIS DELGADILLO shall remain on a testing agreement as long as he is licensed in California.

2/20/22²

STEWARDS' REVIEW (5th Race)

A Stewards' Review was conducted after the running of the fifth race to examine the start of #7 RAIN DIVA (A. Cedillo), who hopped at the start. After reviewing the video several times, it was determined that the #7 caused its own issues. Therefore, no inquiry was necessary.

2/20/22³

STEWARDS' REVIEW (6TH RACE)

We conducted a Stewards' Review when the horse #7 HULK (D. Van Dyke) hind end slipped approaching the 5 ½ pole on the turf during the running in the sixth race. After a lengthy review in a unanimous decision, we determined #7 slipped without placing any of the blame on other participants.

2/20/22⁴

RACE DELAY

The ninth race was delayed (16 minutes) to discuss the concerns of horses slipping on the turf course. After speaking with Racing Secretary Chris Merz, who met with the jockeys, alongside Santa Anita General Manager Nate Newby, management and the jockeys agreed to run the ninth race after they changed the rail settings to zero feet allowing them to use that portion of the track. Three of the jockeys refused to ride the last race resulting in two horses being scratched, and one of the horse's located a replacement rider.

2/20/22⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race No changes; Refund \$103.27; Minus Pool \$1,193.74

2nd Race #1 COME ON COME ON- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, injured
#4 BIG SPLASH- **VOIDED** claim, returns to T. Yakteen
(NO-SHOW WAGERING) Refund \$403.08

3rd Race #6 Charge Cash- **VOIDED** claim, returns to S. Morfin

4th Race No changes; Refund \$0

5th Race #7 RAIN DIVA- Claimed by A. Harris, trainer. Refund \$22.50

6th Race No changes, Refund \$57.50

7th Race #2 OMG IT'S JESSICA- Stewards' scratch- Enter back. Refund \$1,410.00

8th Race #3 BARRAZA- D. Fukumoto replaces J. Velazquez, personal issues
Refund \$139.00

9th Race #2 COUNTESS ROSINA (IRE)- Stewards' scratch- No replacement jockey
#5 SNARK- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick
#6 ANGEL NADESHIKO- D. Fukumoto replaces D. Van Dyke, safety concerns
#8 EVERYSTEPOFTHEWAY- Stewards' scratch- No replacement jockey
Refund \$80,018.29

2/20/22⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	5,629	\$987,645.20
SCOTWinc	3,702	\$1,460,116.03
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$12,441,460.18
Total	9,331	\$14,889,121.41

MONDAY

2/21/22¹

TURF RACING

A meeting was held after training at the winner's circle to discuss whether the jockeys are going to ride the turf races. Present in the meeting were the Jockeys, Jockeys Guild Western Manager Darrel Haire, Safety Steward David Nuesch, Track Surface Consultant Dennis Moore, and Santa Anita Management. After all of them walked the turf and conducted a visual inspection they all agreed to run the first race on the turf and meet after the race to discuss whether they run the remaining turf races. After running the first race, the riders agreed to ride the remaining races.

2/21/22²

ELLIS DISQUALIFICATION HEARING

The following complaint (case#21SA0094) was dismissed after reviewing all the facts presented at the disqualification hearing (ref: 2/10/22²) when it was discovered the horse “Bowl Of Cherries” in a post-race blood sample contained an overage of the medication “furosemide”. “Bowl Of Cherries” ran in the 1st race finishing 3rd on June 20, 2021, at Santa Anita Park. The majority determined that a furosemide overage should be listed as a category “C” penalty in rule 1843.3 (Penalties for Medication Violations). See verbiage below for category ‘C’ penalties. Any category “C” penalties are non-disqualifying offenses.

CATEGORY “C” PENALTIES

Penalties for violations due to the presence of a drug substance in an official test sample, which CHRB drug classification is categorized as warranting a Category C penalty and furosemide as defined in Rule 1845 of this division in an official test sample are as set forth below. All concentrations are for measurements in serum or plasma.

The majority concluded that a furosemide overage, CHRB Rule 1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication) does not fall under a disqualifying offense due to the fact it is listed as a Category “C” Penalty and furosemide is an approved medication. Steward Sawyer voted to disqualify “Bowl of Cherries” as the overage of Furosemide is an automatic positive. At the time of the positive Furosemide did not have a medication classification, by rule making it a Class 1 Category A Penalty. As listed in Rule 1859.5 (Disqualification upon Positive Test Finding), disqualification shall occur regardless of culpability for the condition of the horse.

2/21/22³

GOOD RACING

The eight races went smooth on the turf and dirt with no issues to report.

2/21/22⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1 st Race	#7 EAST RAND- Stewards’ scratch- track condition. Refund \$2,597.08
2 nd Race	No changes; Refund \$0
3 rd Race	#5 QUICK FINISH- Claimed by J. Wallace, trainer #6 GERLACH’S- Claimed by G. Papaprodromou, trainer
4 th Race	No changes; Refund \$0
5 th Race	No changes; Refund \$0
6 th Race	No changes; Refund \$226.35
7 th Race	No changes; Refund \$200.00
8 th Race	#1 BAG’S GOLD- LATE veterinarian scratch, Dr. Stead, injured(flipped) #10 DISKO TRIBUTE- Stewards’ scratch- Also eligible #11 LOOKINFORMISCHIEF- Stewards’ scratch- Also eligible #12 OVER REGULATED- Stewards’ scratch- Also eligible

2/21/22⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	5,111	\$789,508.81
SCOTWinc	2,510	\$947,593.53
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,893,167.45
Total	7,621	\$6,630,269.79

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 2/14/22 TO 2/20/22

Horses on Vet List	14
Horses off Vet List	4
Shock Wave Therapy	1
Fatalities	0
Medication	0

SUMMARY

	Fri 2/18	Sat 2/19	Sun 2/20	Mon 2/21	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	1	2	4	4	11	39
Claims	2	2	1	2	7	70
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	2
Inquiries	1	0	0	0	1	7
Refunds	4	6	7	3	20	131
Rulings	1	4	1	0	6	50
Voided Claims	1	0	2	0	3	10

Respectfully submitted,

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Will Meyers, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

David Nuesch, Safety Steward

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