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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION****TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of March 7, 2022 through March 13, 2022.

**Monday**

03/07/2022

**(1) DUTY STEWARD**

James Dreyer will police the morning situations as well as author the minutes during this reporting period.

**(2) RULING #37****Ruling # 37**

OWNER MARGARET RANSOM, HAVING COMPLIED WITH THE TERMS OF RULING #32, ISSUED AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 5, 2022, IS RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING.

The above ruling was issued after the Stewards received a check from Ms. Ransom covering her indebtedness to Gail Ruffu.

**(3) RULING #38****Ruling # 38**

TRAINER C. C. PERKINSON, WHO WORKED THE HORSE "CHARMING DANZA", AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 2, 2022, IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* AND ASSESSED ½ POINT IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843.4 MULTIPLE MEDICATION VIOLATIONS (EXPIRES JANUARY 1, 2023 PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE), FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A, B, &amp; D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES) AND 1843.1 (A) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES – PHENYLBUTAZONE – FIRST VIOLATION WITHIN THE PAST 365 DAYS).

Following an informal hearing concerning complaint #22LA0013, the foregoing ruling was issued. Ms. Perkinson was sure this situation arose when she gave Charming Danza phenylbutazone in pill form too close to his work.

(4) **RULING #39**

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PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (h) (DESIGNATED RACES – PARTICIPATING IN MORE THAN ONE TRIAL HEAT IN ONE RACING DAY), JOCKEY RUBEN LOZANO IS SUSPENDED ONE (1) ADDITIONAL RACING DAY (MARCH 20, 2022).

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Lozano rode two El Primero Del Ano Derby Trials Sunday evening.

**Wednesday**

03/09/2022

(1) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book, maiden fillies three years old, was off with one.

(2) **THE DRAW**

Two Thoroughbred and seven Quarter Horse races were finally drawn at 6:30 pm.

**Thursday**

03/10/2022

(1) **SCRATCHES**

Scratch time produced one equipment and two rider changes.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book, maidens three years old, was off with one.

(3) **THE DRAW**

Sunday's ten race card will be highlighted by the Virginia Hyland Stakes for fillies and mares.

**Friday**

03/11/2022

(1) **SCRATCHES**

Scratch time resulted in one equipment and four rider changes.

**Saturday**

03/12/2022

(1) **NO PHOTO**

At the conclusion of the first race, the placing judges notified us that the photo finish operator was not in his booth and consequently we had no photo. Placing was accomplished by slowing the video as much as possible as the horses crossed the finish line. The first two horses were no problem as they were well separated. Third and fourth however, was a problem as it was very close. After very close scrutiny, The Stewards unanimously elected to call it a dead heat. With regard to the photo finish operator, he arrived in time to fulfill his obligations from the second race on. When questioned about his tardiness, he explained that he had gone on the Horse Races Now website and it showed that the first race at Los Alamitos was scheduled to go off at 7:00 pm. when in reality it was 6:00 pm. This was researched and verified, so he was off the hook.

(2) **CLAIM VOIDED**

The first race claim of Some Royalty by trainer Adan Farias was voided after the horse was placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. She was returned to trainer Arturo Williams.

(3) **INQUIRY-DISQUALIFICATION**

Following the fifth race, the Stewards hung the inquiry to review an incident going into the turn. #4 It's A Riddle (1<sup>st</sup> - F. Rojas) racing on the outside, dropped in causing #5 Coruscation (2<sup>nd</sup>- R. Ramirez), #2 Desert Fog (3<sup>rd</sup> – C. Ortega), #3 Casillalater (4<sup>th</sup> – H. Lopez) and #1 Supersonic Flyer (5<sup>th</sup> – D. Herrera) to take up. Casillalater clipped heels. After speaking with the riders and a thorough review of the incident, the vote was unanimous to disqualify It's A Riddle.

Original Order (4)-5-2-3-1-6  
Official Order 5-2-3-1-(4)-6

**(4) LATE DECLARATIONS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #1 At The Margin (J. Hernandez, Sr.) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$307.02.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Race #1 Big Cheddar (J. Uranga) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$125.08  
#7 Alpine Thunder (J. Hernandez, Jr.) – Entered Back – Stewards. Refund \$150.60

**(5) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	693	\$101,901.10
Off track	1,252	\$283,063.30
Out of state	N/A	\$1,135,568.85
Total	1,945	\$1,520,533.25

**Sunday**  
03/13/2022

**(1) RULING #40 (Refer 3/12/22 #3)**

**Ruling #40**

JOCKEY FRANCISCO ORDUNA-ROJAS, WHO RODE IT'S A RIDDLE IN THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 12, 2022, IS SUSPENDED FOR THREE (3) RACING DAYS (MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>, 26<sup>TH</sup>, AND 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2022) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIRST TO FIFTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES- CARELESS RIDING).

Jockey Francisco Orduna-Rojas was in to review last evening's fifth race during which he was disqualified. He was unable to convince us an adequate effort was made by him to alleviate the situation resulting in the above ruling.

**(2) RULING #41**

**Ruling # 41**

EXERCISE RIDER CARLOS ROBERTO GOMEZ IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688 (b)(1) (USE OF RIDING CROP - DURING TRAINING) ON MARCH 13, 2022 AND PLACED ON PROBATION FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2022.

The foregoing ruling was issued after exercise rider Carlos Gomez admitted to misuse of the crop during morning training.

**(3) CONCERNED OWNER**

Owner Albert Gonzaz was by to discuss the disqualification of his horse in the fifth race last evening, (refer 3/12/22 #3). Mr. Gonzaz was very pleasant and after a discussion that lasted approximately thirty minutes, left unconvinced the right call had been made. Again, he was very cordial.

**(4) VOIDED CLAIM**

The second race claim of Southern Venture by trainer Lorenzo Ruiz was voided after she was placed on the vet's list as lame by Dr. Beck. She was returned to trainer C. C. Perkinson.

**(5) CLEAR SAILING**

Unlike Saturday, Sunday was a problem free evening with nothing of significance to note.

**(6) LATE DECLARATIONS**

5<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Marino Heat (R. Lucas) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$80.28.  
6<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Harper's Gem (A. Vallejo) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$40.98  
#6 Prince Ali (C. Perkinson) - Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$126.60  
9<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Goretti (L. Diaz) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$594.51

(7) **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	549	\$73,882.00
Off track	1,094	\$223,745.20
Out of state	N/A	\$1,385,852.23
Total	1,643	\$1,683,479.43

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on March 13, 2022. There was one equine death to report this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period, 11 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 6 for soundness, 4 for injury, and 1 for sickness. Seven horses previously on the Veterinarian's list were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

**SUMMARY**

	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat 03/12	Sun 03/13	Week	Meet
<b>Accidents</b>	D			0	0	0	2
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	A			0	0	0	0
<b>Claims</b>	R			4	2	6	49
<b>Disqualification</b>	K			1	0	1	4
<b>Inquiries</b>		D		1	0	1	12
<b>Refunds</b>		A		3	5	8	95
<b>Rulings</b>		Y		3	2	5	41
<b>Voided Claims</b>		S		1	1	2	7

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards James Dreyer, Tom Ward, Rich Williams, and Safety Steward Paul Atkinson were in attendance during this reporting period.

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James Dreyer, Steward

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Tom Ward, Steward

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Rich Williams, Steward

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Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward