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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 May 9, 2022, through May 15, 2022.

Monday

05/09/2022

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will be on board this week to handle morning responsibilities and will record the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) RULING #60**Ruling # 60**

TRAINER VALENTIN ZAMUDIO, WHO WORKED THE HORSE "SET FOR IT", AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 26, 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 FEBRUARY 26, 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, & D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES) AND 1843.1 (A) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES – DEXAMETHASONE – FIRST VIOLATION WITHIN THE PAST 365 DAYS).

An informal hearing was convened today to address complaint #22LA0053. Trainer Zamudio immediately solved the mystery as to how the Dexamethasone showed up in the post work test of Set For It. He administered the medication with a race in mind when in fact it was a morning work. This eliminated several hours the drug would have had to dissipate.

Wednesday

05/11/2022

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens two years old, was used open. 4 Cal-Breds.

(2) **THE DRAW**

Seventy five entrants will comprise our one Thoroughbred and nine Quarter Horse events Saturday evening.

Thursday
05/12/2022

(1) **SCRATCHES**

One rider change completed Saturday's program changes.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book, maidens two years old, was off with two. 0 Cal-breds.

(3) **THE DRAW**

Sunday night's feature will be the \$257,500 Robert Adair Kindergarten Futurity.

Friday
05/13/2022

(1) **SCRATCHES**

Scratch time resulted in no changes on Sunday's program.

Saturday
05/14/2022

(1) **RULING #61**

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JOCKEY JOHN VALENZUELA IS SUSPENDED FOR THIRTY (30) DAYS (MAY 16 THROUGH JUNE 14, 2022) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1489 (a)(8) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE-ENGAGED IN THE USE OF DRUGS, POSITIVE FOR METHAMPHETAMINE) AND #1900 (GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION).

FURTHERMORE, JOHN VALENZUELA SHALL CONTACT THE WINNERS FOUNDATION FOR AN EVALUATION AND ABIDE BY THEIR ASSESSMENT AND SIGN A TEST AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD AND IS PLACED ON PROBATION FOR AS LONG AS HE HOLDS A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD.

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF JOHN VALENZUELA ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE) MR. VALENZUELA IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

After addressing complaint #22LA0088 concerning Jockey John Valenzuela's methamphetamine and marijuana use and having received confirmation from Winners Foundation that Mr. Valenzuela had contacted them and was agreeable to whatever they recommended, the foregoing ruling was issued.

(2) **RULING #62**

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JOCKEY JAIRO RANGEL IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1683 (MAXIMUM OVERWEIGHT) RESULTING IN A LATE RIDER CHANGE IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 8, 2022.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Rangel was unable to get within the seven pound limit in Sunday's fourth race.

(3) **INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the seventh race to review the break. #1 Karmavore broke in a tangle unseating Jockey Rodrigo Aceves. The entire incident was the fault of Karmavore, so no change was justified. Both horse and rider appeared uninjured.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 1st Race #6 Nishico (D. Shidaker) – Entered Back – Stewards. Refund \$68.70
#9 Champessa (R. Lucas) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$56.20
#10 Fast Per Se (A. Tekos, Jr.) – Entered Back – Stewards. Refund \$180.20
2nd Race #8 Mi Amore (M. Valenzuela, Jr.) – Unsound - Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$101.30
4th Race #3 Stay Happy (C. DeAlba) – Sick – Dr. Beck. Refund \$348.76
6th Race #3 Knock Your Favorite (M. Casselman) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$78.90
7th Race #4 King Storm (R.Guillen) – Sick - Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$87.30

(5) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	740	\$106,606.70
Off track	1,384	\$287,583.80
Out of state	N/A	\$1,000,401.25
Total	2,124	\$1,394,591.75

Sunday
05/15/2022

(1) RULING #63

Ruling # 63

JOCKEY BARRINGTON HARVEY IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688 (b) (7 & 8) (USE OF RIDING CROP – MORE THAN TWO TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND AND MORE THAN SIX TIMES DURING THE RUNNING OF THE RACE) WHILE RIDING IN THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 14, 2022.

After watching Jockey Harvey violate rule #1688 in a couple of categories, the foregoing ruling was issued.

(2) OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

Following the third race, Jockey Ricardo Ramirez on #4 Tee Shot (3rd) claimed a foul against #2 Think of Anita (2nd- E. Payeras) in the turn. After speaking with both riders and reviewing the race, the Stewards could find nothing to support his claim. No change was made.

(3) CLAIM VOIDED

The fifth race claim of Pelican Way by Keith Craigmyle was voided after the horse was placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. He was returned to trainer Milton Pineda.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 1st Race #1 Abadon (J. Nunez) – No Pre-race exam – Dr. Beck. Refund \$1,210.00
#3 Marino Heat (R. Lucas) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$352.80
#5 Political Loophole (J. Nunez) – No Pre-race exam – Dr. Beck. Refund \$800.00
#7 Run Manny Run (J. Nunez) – No Pre-race exam – Dr. Beck. Refund \$300.00
#9 Fly Buddy Fly (S. Miyadi) – Sick – Dr. Beck. Refund \$1,330.00
2nd Race #1 Thatsabadboy (A. Vallejo) – Injured – Dr. Beck. Refund \$353.00
#2 Medina Man (A. Vallejo) – Injured – Dr. Beck. Refund \$299.12
5th Race #1 Captain N Barron (J. Uranga) – Unsound – Dr. Beck. Refund \$304.00
#2 Big Cheddar (S. Naranjo) – No Pre-race exam – Stewards. Refund \$299.80
6th #3 Rawhide Rawlins (M. Pineda) – Injured in gate – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$9,653.00
#4 Surplus (A. Aquino) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$12,004.72
9th Race #1 Walking Alone (M. Casselman) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$186.10.

(5) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	854	\$125,946.50
Off track	1,224	\$266,995.80
Out of state	N/A	\$1,249,749.61
Total	2,078	\$1,642,691.91

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on May 15, 2022. There were no equine deaths to report this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period, 16 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 4 for soundness, 7 for injury, 4 for sickness, and 1 for EIPH. Four 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 05/14	Sun 05/15	Week	Meet
Accidents	D			0	0	0	5
Cal-Bred Races	A			0	0	0	0
Claims	R			2	1	3	75
Disqualifications	K			0	0	0	8
Inquiries		D		1	1	2	22
Refunds		A		7	12	19	192
Rulings		Y		3	1	4	63
Voided Claims		S		0	1	1	14

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

James Dreyer, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

Rich Williams, Steward

Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward