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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Los Angeles County Fair Meet at Los Alamitos
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Report for the Week of Monday, June 20, 2022, through Sunday, June 26, 2022.**GENERAL DATA:****Mailing****Address:** 4961 Katella Avenue
Los Alamitos, California 90720
Telephone number of association: (714) 820-2800**Dates:** Saturday, June 25, 2022, through Sunday, July 10, 2022. Nine racing days.
First week total number of days racing is two, Saturday through Sunday, second week
total number of days racing is four, Friday through Monday and third week Friday through Sunday.**Races:** Nine races a day unless otherwise designated.**Post time:** 2:00 p.m. every day.**Scratch time:** Regular scratch time will be at 10:00 a.m. the day after entries, unless otherwise noted. The deadline for scratches for stakes races, with the exception of overnight stakes races will be prior to the 3rd race or two hours before post time, whichever is longer.**Wagering:** Minimum \$2 win, place and show wagering on every race; \$2 Rolling Doubles; \$1 Pick Three; \$1 Exactas on all races; \$1 Trifectas on all races; \$1 and 10 cent Superfecta on all qualifying races; \$1.00 Pick Four on final four races; \$0.50 Pick Five on races 1–5; \$2 Pick Six (with carryover) on final six races. \$1.00 Super High Five on every last race.**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Jennifer Paige, Horse Identifier
Victor Tovar, Horseshoe Inspector

WEDNESDAY

6/22/22¹

DARK DAY

Steward Rich Williams was available for am duties that included entries for Saturday.

THURSDAY

6/23/22¹

DUTY STEWARD

Again, Rich Williams attended to the oversight of entries for Sunday and approved scratches and program changes for Saturday.

6/23/22²

VENTURA HEARING

Groom JUAN VENTURA was issued a security violation at San Luis Rey Training Center on May 11, 2022. Mr. Ventura is employed by trainer Walther Solis. CHRB Investigator Ryan Russell, who is now the regular CHRB Investigator at the training center organized the hearing. Per the citation, Mr. Ventura was smoking in the barn area and had previously been warned. Decision to follow.

6/23/22³

SADLER HEARING CASE 22SA0081

The complaint filed by the CHRB against trainer JOHN SADLER pertained to possible violation of CHRB rule 1581.1 (Entries) filed by the CHRB, which requires Veterinarian exams 72 hours immediately preceding entry to race. CHRB Investigator Jeanne Garrido introduced the complaint. Mr. Sadler testified by telephone and his statement paralleled with the report submitted by Investigator Garrido stating; Assistant trainer Alex Bisonso who is employed by Mr. Sadler to oversee the string of horses stabled at Los Alamitos, admitted he did not ask their practicing veterinarian to examine the horse in question. Mr. Sadler stated in his defense, he has started over 200 horses and this is the first horse that fell through the cracks for veterinarian examinations. Decision to follow.

6/23/22⁴

MCCARTHY HEARING CASE 22SA0084

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer SEAN MCCARTHY for violation of CHRB rule 1581.1 (Entries). Mr. McCarthy appeared in person and CHRB Investigator Steven Manila introduced the complaint. Mr. McCarthy stated his assistant Jimmy Barnes has always been in charge of notifying their veterinarian for the required veterinarian exams, but he, Mr. McCarthy was contrite accepting responsibility. This is the first time Mr. McCarthy has had a complaint filed against him since he has been licensed in California. Decision to follow.

6/23/22⁵

ARAUJO HEARING CASE 22SA0108

The CHRB filed a complaint against Veterinarian JOHN ARAUJO for violation of CHRB rules 1581.1 (b)(2)(c) (Entries) and 1842 (Veterinarian Report). Dr. Araujo was granted permission to be available by telephone. Investigator Steven Manila was present and represented the CHRB. Dr. Araujo stated, he did examine the horse, but the groom informed him the horse was off its feed and would need to be scratched. Dr. Araujo then filed a scratch card and the horse did not run. At the time he believed, if the horse was withdrawn from the race, entering the horse into ETRS was not necessary. Decision to follow.

FRIDAY

6/24/22¹

GINDI HEARING CASE 22SA0124

The CHRB filed a financial complaint for Bob Hubbard Horse Transportation against Owner RANDAL GINDI for services rendered in the amount of \$1,40235. Hubbard representative, Jack Bentley appeared and remained for thirty minutes beyond the scheduled hearing time. After deducting the interest charge, the correct amount for the financial complaint is \$1,080.00. A ruling will be issued tomorrow if the respondent does not contact the Stewards.

6/24/22²

MILLER RULING CASE 22SR0004

After receiving a copy of the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release from the California Horse Racing Board stating the specifics in the agreement, the following ruling was issued.

LAFB RULING #01

Pursuant to a Stipulated Agreement and Mutual Release with the California Horse Racing Board, Owner PETER MILLER is fined FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct) which occurred on February 14, 2022, at San Luis Rey Training Center.

6/24/22³

ALVARADO RULING CASE 22SR0023

Issued in the following ruling are the stipulations agreed upon in the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release between trainer Ruben Alvarado and the California Horse Racing Board.

LAFI RULING #02

Pursuant to a Stipulated Agreement and Mutual Release with the California Horse Racing Board, Trainer, RUBEN ALVARADO, is suspended for FOURTEEN (14) days (July 1, 2022, through July 14, 2022) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1894 (Duties of Trainer) and #1502 (Program Trainer Prohibited) which occurred between December 23, 2021, and March 24, 2022, at San Luis Rey Training Center.

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of RUBEN ALVARADO are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), RUBEN ALVARADO is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

6/24/22⁴

ARAUJO DECISION (ref 6-23-22⁵)

After taking into consideration the facts of the case heard yesterday, DR. ARAUJO was issued an official warning.

SATURDAY

6/25/22¹

STEWARDS REPLACEMENT

Luis Jauregui, who is under the weather, will be replaced by Safety Steward Paul Atkinson.

6/25/22²

FILM REVIEW

JUAN HERNANDEZ met with the Stewards today to review the seventh race on Sunday at Santa Anita Park. The issue being, in mid-stretch, there was contact with a horse to his inside. All agreed both horses contributed to the incident and Mr. Hernandez left with a warning.

6/25/22³

VISIT

CHRB Executive Director Scott Chaney and CHRB Assistant Executive Director Cynthia Alameda spent the day touring Los Alamitos Race Course. They visited, morning training, the Stewards' office, Los Alamitos management and witnessed live Thoroughbred (day time) and Quarter Horse (night time) races.

6/25/22⁴

MCCARTHY RULING (ref-06-23-22⁴)

The following ruling was issued after considering the facts of the complaint. MR. MCCARTHY'S penalty is listed in the following ruling.

LAFI RULING #03

Trainer SEAN MCCARTHY is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1581.1 (b)(1) (Entries – Documentation not provided that Mr. MCCARTHY'S attending veterinarian conducted an examination 72 hours preceding entry on 5/1/22).

6/25/22⁵

SADLER RULING (ref-06-23-22³)

The following ruling was issued after deliberating the particulars in the complaint filed against MR. SADLER, his penalty is memorialized in the following ruling.

LAFI RULING #04

Trainer JOHN SADLER is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1581.1 (b)(1) (Entries – Documentation not provided that Mr. Sadler's attending veterinarian conducted an examination 72 hours preceding entry on 5/5/22).

6/25/22⁶

VENTURA RULING (ref-06-23-22²)

The following ruling was issued after MR. VENTURA admitted his guilt and accepted the penalty.

LAFI RULING #05

Groom JUAN VENTURA is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1928 (Fire Regulations- Smoking in the barn area) which occurred at San Luis Rey Training Center on May 11, 2022.

6/25/22⁷

RACE DELAY

Following the running of the second race the tote board went amiss and froze with odds and final race placings. The third race was delayed approximately nine minutes due to a tote board malfunction. Letter of explanation attached.

6/25/22⁸

VOIDED CLAIM

After a physical examination by Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio of #6 VETOED who raced in the second race, the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List. The Stewards voided the claim and the horse returned to the stable of George Papaprodromou.

6/25/22⁹

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race #7 Spring Spinning (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. R. Saldana
 2nd race #1 Settecento (Tr. R. Hanson) claimed by Tr. G. Papaprodromou
 #6 Vetoed (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) claimed by Tr. T. Yakteen VOID
 3rd race #3 Swirling (Tr. J. Uranga) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Stead
 #6 Righteously (Tr. L. Ruiz) claimed by Tr. E. Freeman. Refund \$947.30
 4th race No Changes; Refund \$0
 5th race No Changes; Refund \$0
 6th race #5 Forgotten Vows (Tr. J. Wong) DNF
 7th race #1 Quagmire Magic (Tr. P. Miller) claimed by Tr. J. Wong
 #2 Hot Memories (Tr. S. Miyadi) CW 115
 8th race #5 Sheza Girly Girl (Tr. A. Tekos, Jr.) Vet-sick-Dr. Pattio. Refund \$498.30
 9th race #1 Johnny Podres (Tr. S. Miyadi) Stewards-stake. Refund \$307.00
 NO SHOW WAGERING

6/25/22¹⁰

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	1,534	\$192,403.25
SCOTWinc	3,574	\$1,757,759.66
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,854,482.09
Total	5,108	\$6,804,645.00

SUNDAY

6/26/22¹

STEWARDS REPLACEMENT

Steward Jauregui was absent due to illness. Ron Church replaced him in the stand today.

6/26/22²

RULINGS

The following two rulings were issued after both jockeys communicated via telephone and agreed they went one over the allowed limit.

LAFI RULING #07

Jockey TIAGO PEREIRA is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(8)(d) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times) during the ninth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on June 25, 2022.

LAFI RULING #08

Jockey ABDUL ALSAGOUR is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(8)(d) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times) during the second race at Los Alamitos Race Course on June 25, 2022.

6/26/22³

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

ARMANDO AYUSO met with the Stewards to review the use of his crop in the sixth race yesterday. He was very candid agreeing that he violated the rule. His penalty is listed in the following ruling.

LAFI RULING #09

Jockey ARMANDO AYUSO is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(8)(d) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times) during the sixth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on June 25, 2022.

6/26/22⁴

GOOD RACING

The nine-race card was performed without incident. Any changes made are listed below.

6/26/22⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race #1 Zahra (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed by Tr. M. Valenzuela
 #5 Remember Sue (Tr. J. Wong) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead. Refund \$2,679.70
 2nd race #7 Six Feet (Tr. R. Hanson) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio. Refund \$1,938.42
 3rd race NO SHOW WAGERING
 4th race #2 Stephen James (Tr. J. Metz) CW 117
 #5 Black Storm (Tr. J. Metz) claimed by Tr. J. Aragon
 #7 Alleva (Tr. M. Pineda) claimed by Tr. J. Wong
 5th race #6 Mary Margaret (Tr. R. France) CW 113
 6th race No Changes; Refund \$0
 7th race #3 Synthesis (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) claimed by J. Wong
 8th race #2 Lucky's Royal Flush (Tr. S. Miyadi) CW 117
 9th race #7 Bubbles for Mia (Tr. L. Bernard) Steward-loose in post parade.
 Refund \$9,906.48

6/26/22⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	1,306	\$153,836.07
SCOTWinc	3,037	\$1,400,278.08
Out of state + ADW	n/a	\$4,919,911.97
Total	4,343	\$6,474,026.12

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 6/20/22 TO 6/26/22

Horses on Vet List 6
 Horses off Vet List 6
 Shock Wave Therapy 4
 Fatalities 0
 Medication 0

SUMMARY

	Fri 6/24	Sat 6/25	Sun 6/25	Week	Meet
Accidents	N/A	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	N/A	1	2	3	3
Claims	N/A	3	4	7	7
Disqualification	N/A	0	0	0	0
Inquiries	N/A	0	0	0	0
Refunds	N/A	3	3	6	6
Rulings	2	4	3	9	9
Voided Claims	N/A	1	0	1	1

Respectfully submitted,

 Kim Sawyer, Steward

 Luis Jauregui, Steward

 Rich Williams, Steward

 George Yniguez, Steward

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