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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Los Angeles County Fair Meet at Los Alamitos
Los Alamitos Racing Association**

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Report for the Week of Tuesday, July 5, 2022, through Sunday, July 10, 2022.

TUESDAY7/5/22¹**DARK DAY**

Steward Luis Jauregui was on duty for the entries for Friday. The racing office drew 8 races for the Friday afternoon card.

WEDNESDAY7/6/22¹**ENTRIES**

Steward Luis Jauregui was still on duty for the morning entries. The racing office drew 9 races for the Saturday Card.

THURSDAY7/7/22¹**A. M. DUTIES**

Steward Luis Jauregui returned for a repeat performance of the A.M. duties.

FRIDAY7/8/22¹**HEARINGS**

A hearing was scheduled for NEIL DRYSDALE for case number 22SA0066 a complaint filed by the California Horse Racing Board for a violation of CHRB Rule 1581.1 Pre-Entry Examinations; No veterinary exam reported to ETRS. A continuance was requested and was granted by the Stewards. The hearing will be rescheduled for a future date.

A hearing was held for California Horse Racing Board case #22SA0086 filed against DR. JENNIFER FINLEY for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1581.1 and 1842.

Dr. Finley stated in the hearing that the horse was examined, however she did not do a pre-entry examination because the trainer had requested the horse be examined but she did not realize it was for pre-entry. Dr. Finley did not report the examination to the ETRS system. A decision will be reached on this matter and a ruling issued as needed.

7/8/22²

FILM REVIEW

Jockey ABEL CEDILLO was in to review the use of the crop in the 2nd race on Monday 07/04/2022. After reviewing the film and speaking with Abel Cedillo, Stewards Luis Jauregui and myself Rich Williams felt that there was not clear enough evidence to find him in violation of the newly implemented HISA rules. Steward Kim Sawyer felt that the rule had been violated. In a majority decision Jockey Abel Cedillo was instructed to make sure in the future that his actions with the crop were plain and concise to alleviate any doubts going forward.

7/8/22³

DECLARATIONS , CHANGES AND REFUNDS.

1st race No changes
 2nd race #6 ME LIKEY (trainer Milton Pineda) claimed by Salvador Naranjo
 3rd race #2 LOVELY COLLEEN (trainer Jonathan Wong) claimed by Gus Headley.
 #4 LIBERALISM (trainer Brian Koriner) claimed by Robert Lucas.
 4th race #7 MACHO SAM (trainer Steve Knapp) was claimed by Reed Saldana.
 5th race #5 HAPPY TEARS (trainer Michael McCarthy) Stewards' loose in post parade and ran off track.
 #6 CROWNING GOLD (trainer Brian Koriner) Veterinarian-injured
 6th race No changes
 7th race #3 TALKATIVE GAL (trainer Doug O'Neill) claimed by Adan Farias.
 #6 SHOUT IT OUT (trainer Jonathan Wong) veterinarian-sick Dr. Stead.
 8th race #7 TIZHOTNDUSTY was a program scratch.

7/8/22⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

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|--------------------|-------|----------------|
| On track | 818 | \$185,370.48 |
| SCOTWinc | 2,396 | \$793,729.50 |
| Out of state + ADW | N/A | \$3,823,375.60 |
| Total | 3,214 | \$4,802,475.58 |

SATURDAY

7/9/22¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey Cesar Ortega was in to view a possible violation of the Crop Rule from the first race on 07/08/2022. After review all three Stewards' and Jockey CESAR ORTEGA agreed he was in violation of the HISA crop rule at a class three level. A ruling will be issued.

7/9/22²

RULINGS

LAFL Ruling #20

Veterinarian JENNIFER FINLEY is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1581.1 (b)(1) (Entries) for violation of CHRB rule #1842(a) (Veterinarian Report – no veterinarian examination reported to ETRS).

LAFL Ruling #21

Having violated the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop) and pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – Class 3), Jockey CESAR ORTEGA, who rode TROUBLE N PARADISE in the first race at Los Alamitos Race Course on July 8, 2022, is suspended for ONE (1) day (July 22, 2022), and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)* for two (2) strikes over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey CESAR ORTEGA is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on January 9, 2023, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties).

LAFL Ruling #22

Groom JOSE S. ALVAREZ, having appeared before the Board of Stewards to answer to a complaint filed by the California Horse Racing Board for violation of rule #1489(A)(1)(Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) is restored to good standing. Ruling LATS #016 issued at Santa Anita Park on January 31, 2013, is set aside. Furthermore, JOSE S. ALVAREZ is ordered to sign a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board and must be evaluated by the Winners Foundation and comply with any recommendations made by Winners Foundation.

7/9/22³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race No changes; Refund \$0
 2nd race No changes; Refund \$0
 3rd race No changes; Refund \$0
 4th race #2 VANISKY (trainer Jeff Bonds) claimed by Brian Koriner. Refund \$0
 5th race No changes; Refund \$0
 6th race #3 WARRIOR'S MOON was scratched Stewards'- not eligible (no pre-entry exam). Refund \$634.14
 7th race No changes; Refund \$0
 8th Race Jockey SALVADOR INGUIZ had not registered for HISA and had not received a concussion baseline test and was removed from his mount and replaced by ABDUL ALSAGOOR. Refund \$0
 9th race No changes; Refund \$0

7/9/22³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

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|--------------------|-------|----------------|
| On track | 1,561 | \$417,615.29 |
| SCOTWinc | 3,915 | \$1,592,775.33 |
| Out of state + ADW | N/A | \$6,153,618.83 |
| Total | 5,476 | \$8,164,009.45 |

SUNDAY

7/10/22¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey RYAN CURATOLO was in to review a possible violation of the crop rule (more than 6 times) in the 4th race on Saturday 07/09/2022. Upon review of the film the stewards and Jockey Ryan Curatolo agreed he used the crop 7 times. Mr. Curatolo stated that the reason he used the crop 7 times was he felt the horse may shy from tractor tire lines in the track. The horse showed no sign of altering course. In addition the 7th strike was well after the tire tracks and his horse was 5 lengths in front of the other horses. A ruling will be issued if needed.

Jockey RICARDO RAMIREZ was in to address a possible violation of the crop rule during the 8th race on Saturday 7/09/2022. Mr. Ramirez viewed the film and agreed with the stewards on using the crop 7 times. A ruling will be issued as needed.

7/10/22¹

RULINGS

LAFI Ruling #23

Having violated the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop) and pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – Class 3), Jockey RYAN CURATOLO, who rode TODAY MATTERS in the fourth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on July 9, 2022, is suspended for ONE (1) day (July 22, 2022), and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)* for one (1) strike over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey RYAN CUATOLO is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on January 10, 2023, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties).

LAFI Ruling #24

Having violated the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop) and pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – Class 3), Apprentice Jockey RICARDO RAMIREZ, who rode SCRATCHY APACHE in the eighth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on July 9, 2022, is suspended for ONE (1) day (July 23, 2022), and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)* for one (1) strike over the limit.

Furthermore, Apprentice Jockey RICARDO RAMIREZ is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on January 10, 2023, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – 2nd offense since July 4, 2022).

7/10/22¹

INQUIRY

The Stewards caused the inquiry sign to be posted for 2nd race #5 THE BLACK ALBUM (trainer Reed Saldana) who around the 6 and ½ furlong pole lost his Jockey Edgar Payeras. Upon review the Stewards determined that THE BLACK ALBUM jumped a shadow causing his rider to become dismounted therefore causing his own problem. Jockey Edgar Payeras was relieved of his duties for the remainder of the racing card.

7/10/22²

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race RIVER TIBER (trainer Doug O’Neill) claimed by Adan Farias
No changes; Refund \$0

2nd race #3 HIT THE SEAM (trainer J. Wong) Vet-sick Dr. Patio. Refund \$1,100.04

3rd race Jockey Edgar Payeras was replaced by Cesar Ortega. No changes; Refund \$0

4th Race No Changes; Refund \$0

5th race Jockey Edgar Payeras was replaced by Armando Ayuso. No changes; Refund \$0

6th race #1 Liar Liar (trainer Dean Pederson) claimed by Jorge Farias.
Jockey Edgar Payeras was replaced by Ricardo Rameriz. No change; Refund \$0

7th race #7 HOLIDAY AROUSAL (trainer Jonathan Wong) vet-sick Dr. Patio
Jockey Edgar Payeras was replaced by Ricardo Ramirez. Refund \$1,019.70

8th race No changes; Refund \$0

9th race #2 EDINBURGH EXPRESS (trainer Jonathan Wong) vet-sick Dr. Patio
#6 PERFECTO AMOR (trainer Charles Treece) claimed by Adan Farias
Jockey Edgar Payeras was replaced by Ramon Vazquez. Refund \$1,042.80

10th race #6 PAWNEE (trainer T R Bell) claimed Lorenzo Ruiz.
Jockey Edgar Payeras was replaced by Diego Herrera. Refund \$0

7/10/22³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

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|--------------------|-------|----------------|
| On track | 1,325 | \$328,451.50 |
| SCOTWinc | 3,292 | \$1,163,664.67 |
| Out of state + ADW | N/A | \$5,584,889.66 |
| Total | 4,617 | \$7,077,005.83 |

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 7/4/22 TO 7/10/22

Horses on Vet List 11
Horses off Vet List 4
Shock Wave Therapy 1
Fatalities 0
Medication 0

SUMMARY

| | Fri 7/8 | Sat 7/9 | Sun 7/10 | Week | Meet |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------|------|
| Accidents | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Cal-Bred Races | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 14 |
| Claims | 5 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 29 |
| Disqualifications | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Inquiries | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 03 |
| Refunds | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 20 |
| Rulings | 0 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 24 |
| Voided Claims | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Williams, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Steward

David Nuesch, Steward

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