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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report for the Week of Monday, August 15, 2022, through Sunday, August 21, 2022

TUESDAY08/16/22¹**ENTRY DAY**

Steward GRANT BAKER was in the office to oversee Thursday's program changes.

WEDNESDAY ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES08/17/22¹

Steward Kim Sawyer was in to oversee entries for Saturday and Friday's scratches. The Racing Office carded ten (10) races.

08/17/22²**PAPAPRODROMOU HEARING (case #22SA0133)**

The CHRB filed a complaint against Trainer GEORGE PAPAPRODROMOU for rule violation #1878 (Workouts) during 5/8/22 through 6/25/22, eight counts with the same horse. Mr. Papaprodromou acknowledged his mistake, he stated he was a day short on all his examinations. Decision to follow.

08/17/22³**CITATIONS**

Exercise Rider Mark Witkowski was cited to come in our office after he was issued a citation for CHRB rule #1930 for unsafe practices. Safety Steward David Nuesch had issued a citation after he heard rumors that Mr. Witkowski may have whipped another exercise rider with his riding crop during training. Mr. Witkowski stated that he was not sure if he did strike the rider as he was correcting his horse. Therefore, he was issued a warning.

Exercise Rider JOSE DOMINQUEZ was cited by the outrider Rudy Marquez for entering the turf when ordered not to enter. They only allow ten (10) horses at a time and Mr. Dominquez was ordered to wait until the next set of ten. Dominquez stated that he didn't enter to the turf course. Decision to follow.

08/17/22⁴

BERNARD HEARING (case #22SR0017)

The CHRB filed a complaint against Trainer LISA BERNARD for CHRB rules #1840, 1842.5 and 1902. The complaint stems from a call on the CHRB Hot Line that was made by Owner April Vaillancourt who was alleging that she was misled regarding her horse's readiness for a race. After starting the hearing, Ms. Bernard chose to seek council, so the hearing was continued to September 8, 2022.

08/17/22⁵

BLUE HEARING (case #22SA0083)

Veterinarian MELINDA BLUE was in our office to answer to a complaint filed by the CHRB for rule violation #1581.1(Entries) and #1842 (Veterinarian Report). Dr. Blue stated that she looks at a lot of horses and that it was an oversight. She apologized for this and stated that she tries her best. Being that Dr. Blue has not had any violations of rule CHRB rule #1842 in the past year, she was issued a warning.

THURSDAY

08/18/22¹

FILM REVIEWS

Jockey EDWIN MALDONADO was in to review Sunday's tenth race to examine the run into the first turn in which three horses steadied. After reviewing the video several times, it was apparent that the pressure came from the outside horse who forced the inside horses to steady. Mr. Maldonado was called in to get his input since he was one of them who steadied. He agreed that the far outside horse was the main contributor, but his horse was difficult to handle as well.

Jockey UMBERTO RISPOLI was also in to review Sunday's 10th race to see his actions to the incident in the race. After reviewing the video several times, we felt Mr. Rispoli was not responsible for the incident. Therefore, no sanction was issued.

Jockey VICTOR ESPINOZA was issued the following ruling after he acknowledged that he went over the limit permitted by HISA and accepted the following penalty.

DMTD Ruling #25

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 VICTOR ESPINOZA, who rode POP d' ORO in the ninth race at Del Mar Race Track on August 14, 2022, is suspended for one (1) day (August 25, 2022) and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)* for three (3) strikes over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey VICTOR ESPINOZA is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on February 18, 2023, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties).

08/18/22²

PALMA HEARING (case #22SA0107)

Trainer HECTOR PALMA was summoned to our office to answer to a complaint filed by the CHRB for rule violation of #1581.1 (Entries) when he failed to have his horse examined by his veterinarian. Mr. Palma stated he told his veterinarian to examine the horse, but ultimately took the blame. With Mr. Palma's clean record, he was issued a warning.

08/18/22³

KROUL RULING (case #22SA0003)

The following ruling was issued reinstating Owner AARON ERIC KROUL after receiving notice from Veterinarian John Araujo that the debt has been paid in full. Therefore, ruling LATS #41 from Santa Anita Park on February 11, 2022, has been set aside.

DMTD Ruling #26

Owner AARON ERIC KROUL, having complied with the provisions of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility – \$829.50 to DVM John Araujo) is restored to good standing. LATS #41 ruling issued at Santa Anita Park on February 11, 2022, is set aside.

08/18/22⁴

STEWARDS INQUIRY/JOCKEY OBJECTION/NO CHANGE(1st race)

We posted the inquiry sign to review the stretch run involving the first two placers the #9 Peso (J. Hernandez 1st) and the #2 Careless Kitten (H. Berrios 2nd). Also, the Jockey of the #2 lodged a claim of foul against the winner. After reviewing the race several times and speaking to both riders, we made no change to the order of finish. In a unanimous opinion we felt the #2 caused the majority of the contact, therefore, no change was made.

08/18/22⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race #4 Besame Mucho- Claimed by R. Diodoro, trainer
 #7 Mount Olympic- K. Frey replace T. Baze, personal
 #9 Peso- VOIDED claim, returns to B. Baffert, trainer Refund: \$117.39

2nd Race #1 Holden the Lute- Claimed by M. Glatt, trainer
 #2 Offshore Affair- Claimed by R. Diodoro, trainer
 #3 Leprino- E. Payaras replace T. Baze, personal
 #4 Colonelsdarktemper- Claimed by J. Wong, trainer Refund: \$35.50

3rd Race #7 Silent Heat- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick Refund: \$726.12

4th Race #3 Livin' At the Blue- Claimed by C. Dollase, trainer
 #4 Brittle and Yoo- Claimed by E. Truman, trainer
 #6V Bucks- Claimed by M. Glatt, trainer Refund: \$65.50

5th Race #3 Sam Malone- Claimed by J. Sadler, trainer
 #4 Air Kenny- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, injured Refund: \$768.22

6th Race #4 Raging Waters- H. Berrios replace T. Baze, personal
 #9 Star Racer- Steward's scratch- Also eligible Refund: \$598.20

7th Race #1 Box of Chocolates- Claimed by O. Heredia, trainer
 #7 Sumo- Claimed by J. Wong, trainer Refund: \$49.00

8th Race #2 Tex Hanley- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, injured Refund: \$609.43

08/18/22⁶

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	6,853	\$1,005,363.49
SCOTWinc	2,228	\$2,045,722.14
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,431,383.26
Total	9,081	\$10,482,468.89

FRIDAY
08/19/22¹

PAPAPRODROMOU RULING

The following ruling was issued after deliberating all the facts regarding Trainer GEORGE PAPAPRODROMOU'S hearing case # 22SA0133 from this past Wednesday.

DMTD Ruling #27

Trainer GEORGE PAPAPRODROMOU is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1878 (Workouts – Horse not examined by attending Veterinarian within 72 hours of workout) between the dates May 8, 2022, to June 25, 2022, at Santa Anita Park.

08/19/22²

DOMINQUEZ CITATION

Exercise Rider JOSE DOMINQUEZ was issued the following ruling regarding Wednesday's citation hearing after we deliberated all the testimony. Steward Sawyer voted for a dismissal.

DMTD Ruling #28

Exercise Rider JOSE DOMINGUEZ is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers - failure to follow instructions of Outrider) on August 7, 2022, at Del Mar Racetrack.

08/19/22³

HEADLEY HEARING (case #22SA0131)

Trainer KAREN HEADLEY was in our office to address a complaint filed by the CHRB for rule violation #1878 (Workouts). Investigator Jean Garrido presented the case for the CHRB. Ms. Headley stated she didn't have the horse "Side By Side" examined on May 27, 2022, and she acknowledged it was her mistake. Decision to follow.

08/19/22⁴

STEWARDS' INQUIRY/NO CHANGE(7TH race turf)

We posted the inquiry sign after the seventh race to review an incident going into the 3/8's turn involving the #6 Sister Otoole (U. Rispoli 1st), #1 Scarabea (D. Cannon 2nd) and #4 Almost a Factor (J. Bravo 8th). After speaking to all the riders involved and reviewing the video several times, we made no change to the order of finish. In a unanimous opinion we felt the #1 and #4, steadied while traveling into tight quarters going into the turn, therefore, we could not place any blame on the #6 Sister Otoole.

08/19/22⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1 st Race	No changes Refund: \$169.68
2 nd Race	#2 Grazed My Heart- Claimed by J. Mullins, trainer #6 The Reign Song- K. Frey replaces T. Baze, personal #7 Caanfoolery- Late Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, injured in gate #11 Golden Again- Stewards scratch- Also eligible #12 Miss Kaline- Stewards scratch- Also eligible Refund: \$27,961.92
3 rd Race	#7 Mr. T Thirsty- R. Vasquez replaces T. Baze, personal Refund: \$50.50
4 th Race	#3 Durante- Claimed by K. Craigmyle, trainer Refund: \$33.00
5 th Race	#6 Smart Monique- K. Frey replaces T. Baze, personal #8 Avery Blue- Late Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, injured in gate #11 Jessbear- Stewards scratch- Also eligible #12 Candy On Top- Stewards scratch- Also eligible #13 A Little Bit Crazy- Stewards scratch- Also eligible #14 Infinite Love- Stewards scratch- Also eligible Refund: \$296,702.22
6 th Race	#4 Square Deal- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer #7 Luck's Royal Flush- H. Berrios replaces T. Baze, personal/claimed by O. Jauregui, trainer #8 Horn of Plenty- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer Refund: \$148.50
7 th Race	#2 Freedom Lass- R. Vasquez replaces T. Baze, personal Refund: \$228.42
8 th Race	#11 Dual Threat- Stewards scratch- Also eligible #12 Flying Fred- Stewards scratch- Also eligible #14 Sippin N Kissin- Stewards scratch- Also eligible Refund: \$2,108.30

08/19/22⁶

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	6,388	\$1,082,136.24
SCOTWinc	3,153	\$3,130,847.91
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$9,511,643.27
Total	9,541	\$13,724,627.42

SATURDAY

08/20/22¹

HEADLEY DECISION (case#22SA0131)

Trainer KAREN HEADLEY was issued a “warning” after deliberating all the facts of yesterday’s hearing. She was issued a warning due to her record and having no previous #1878 (workouts) violations.

08/20/22²

GOOD RACING

The eleven (11) race card went with no major issues to report other than the changes listed below.

08/20/22³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race No changes Refund: \$0.00
2nd Race #2 Queenzy- M. Smith replaces T. Baze, personal Refund: \$0.00
3rd Race #3 Tapit Doux- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer
4th Race No changes Refund: \$0.00
5th Race No changes Refund: \$7.50
6th Race No changes Refund: \$13.00
7th Race #3 Reign of Speed- J. Bravo replaces T. Baze, personal
#12 Santiago’s Cat- Stewards’ scratch- Also eligible Refund: \$577.40
8th Race #1Rhea Moon (IRE)- Stewards’ scratch- Stake Refund: \$2,208.86
9th Race #3 Dr. Troutman- Claimed by J. Wong, trainer
#5 Little Demon- Claimed by S. Orozco, trainer
#6 High Heater- Claimed by R. Hess Jr., trainer
#7 Hapi Hapi- Claimed by J. Wong, trainer
#10 Of Good Report- Claimed by L. Ruiz, trainer Refund: \$16.00
10th Race #4 Infinite Empire- R. Curatolo replace T. Baze, personal Refund: \$768.80

08/20/22⁴

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	13,182	\$2,066,125.99
SCOTWinc	5,152	\$5,322,502.81
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$15,906,835.49
Total	18,334	\$23,295,464.29

SUNDAY

08/21/22¹

TVG MEETING

TVG Talent Andie Biancone and TVG Lead Content Manager Anna James were in for a meeting to discuss yesterday’s post-race interview in which it was conducted while galloping back to the winner circle. We wanted to discuss the reasons why it took Ms. Biancone longer than usual to conduct the interview, in which it ultimately delayed the next race. After discussion, we put the interviews on hold to work out some issues and decided to address it on a later date.

08/21/22²

FILM REVIEW

Apprentice Jockey CHEL-C BAILEY was in to review yesterday’s ninth race in which she used her riding crop while she was out of contention. Mrs. Bailey stated her trainer asked her to urge her horse as much as possible, we told her that only when she is in contention. Mrs. Bailey was issued a warning.

08/21/22³

JOCKEYS’ OBJECTION/NO CHANGE

After the running of the first race, we posted the objection sign after the second-place horse #4 Big Jolt (R. Vasquez) lodged a claim of foul against the winner #11 Gypsy Lynn (D. Van Dyke) for an incident entering the stretch. After speaking to both riders and reviewing the video several times, no change was made to the order of finish. We unanimously voted that the #4 was driving into a spot where he didn’t have sufficient space, therefore, no change was made.

08/21/22⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race #2 Big Seven- Late Steward scratch, No rider
 #4 Big Jolt- Claimed by V. Trujillo, trainer
 #10 Shemakescent- Claimed by J. Periban, trainer
 #11 Gypsy Lynn- Claimed by G. Papaprodromou, trainer
 # 13 Backstreet Affair - Stewards' scratch- Also eligible
 #14 Delia Mo- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible Refund: \$6,452.62

2nd Race #2 Clem Labine- Claimed by L Barocio, trainer
 #3 Self Taught- Claimed by R. Ellis, trainer
 #5 Priano- Claimed by R. Diodoro, trainer
 #7 Italiano- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer Refund: \$158.50

3rd Race #11 Midnight Taxes- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible
 #12 Russells Hustle- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible
 #13 Cosmic Soul- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible
 #14 Strut On Louie- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible Refund: \$1,486.90

4th Race #1 Colonel Bowman- VOIDED claim returns to R. Diodoro barn
 #2 Peace of Ekati- Claimed by J. Periban, trainer
 #4 Big Buzz- K. Frey replaces T. Baze, personal/Claimed by J. Mullins, trainer
 #5 Disc Jockey- Claimed by P. Miller, trainer
 #7 Proverb- Claimed by R. Creque, trainer Refund: \$0.00

5th Race #2 Disco Ball - VOIDED claim returns to B. Koriner barn
 #3 California Street - Claimed by R. Diodoro, trainer
 #5 Handsome Cat- Claimed by S. Miyadi, trainer
 #7 Albizu- Claimed by C. Dollase, trainer
 #8 Octopus- Claimed by J. Mullins, trainer Refund: \$0.00

6th Race No changes Refund: \$59.00

7th Race No changes Refund: \$102.82

8th Race #3 California Kook- Stewards' scratch- Stake
 #9 Sunshine Babe- Stewards' scratch- Stake
 #10 All Dialed In- M. Smith replaces T. Baze, personal Refund: \$2,939.60

9th Race #7 Smiling Thunder- Claimed by J. Wong, trainer
 #10 My Spy- Claimed by J. Wong, trainer
 #11 Your Ringer- VOIDED claim returns to J. Sadler barn
 #13 Crazy About You- Steward's scratch- Also eligible
 #14 Whiskey Blue- Steward's scratch- Also eligible Refund: \$764.50

10th Race #7 Kirstenbosch- J. Valdivia Jr. replaces T. Baze, personal
 Refund: \$101,606.79

08/21/22⁵

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	8,569	\$1,439,554.64
SCOTWinc	4,539	\$4,225,873.24
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$12,308,693.69
Total	13,108	\$17,974,121.57

ATTENDANCE REPORT – The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 8/15/22 TO 8/21/22

Horses on Vet List 10
 Horses off Vet List 16
 Shock Wave Therapy 0
 Fatalities 1
 Medication 0
 Claims Voided 4

SUMMARY

	No Racing	Thurs 8/18	Fri 8/19	Sat 8/20	Sun 8/21	Week	Meet
Accidents		0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races		2	2	1	1	6	35
Claims		10	5	6	17	38	157
Disqualifications		0	0	0	0	0	2
Inquiries		1	1	0	1	3	13
Refunds		8	8	6	8	30	140
Rulings		2	2	0	0	4	28
Voided Claims		1	0	0	3	4	12

Respectfully submitted,

Luis Jauregui , Steward

Grant Baker, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

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