

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

1010 Hurley Way, Suite 300

Sacramento, CA 95825

www.chrb.ca.gov

(916) 263-6000 Fax (916) 263-6042

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

Honorable Gregory L. Ferraro DVM, Chairman

Honorable Oscar Gonzales, Vice Chairman

Honorable Dennis V. Alfieri, Member

Honorable Damascus Castellanos, Member

Honorable Brenda Washington Davis, Member

Honorable Thomas Hudnut, Member

Honorable Wendy Mitchell, Member

C. Scott Chaney, Executive Director

Darrel McHargue, Chief Steward

Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of August 16, 2022, through August 21, 2022.

Tuesday

08/16/2022

(1) TUESDAY MEDICATION COMPLAINTS HEARING

The Stewards met this morning to address two medication complaints filed by Board investigators against Trainer Milton Pineda for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances) and #1843.1 (Prohibited Drug Substances). Mr. Pineda started two horses, Journey Cake and Flatterwithjewels, at Los Alamitos on May 22, 2022, in the second and fifth races, respectively. The horses finished first and second in their respective races. Investigators Stuart Ida and Ryan Russell presented the cases for the Board.

Mr. Pineda, who has had no Class IV violations in the past thirty six months, was at a loss to explain the findings, stating that he does not keep Phenylbutazone at his barn and that the horses received injections of the medication from his attending veterinarian, Dr. Nicola Hardgrove. The injections were administered two days prior to the race, on May 20th, at noon. We will take the matters under advisement and formulate a decision shortly.

Wednesday

08/17/2022

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Tom Ward will be working the morning shift this week and will be writing minutes. The entry process for Saturday was laborious, as the ten race card was not finalized until well after 8:00 pm. A total of seventy horses were entered, with four Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse events being offered.

Thursday

08/18/2022

(1) SUNDAY DRAW AND SATURDAY PANEL DISCUSSION

Entries are being taken for Sunday, with the hopes that the Racing Office staff will not have to order dinner delivered before the card is drawn. The Los Alamitos "Panel" conferred via telephone, with a number of horses being discussed, but none being scratched.

Friday
08/19/2022

(1) SUNDAY PANEL DISCUSSION

The Panel met to go over what will pass for a Sunday offering. Once again, entries were not drawn until 8:30 pm, this time with a total of 65 horses in 10 races, including a full field of ten runners in a stakes race. The racing office staff is working hard to fill races, but the inventory is simply not there. There were a couple of minor changes for Sunday. There is one "hard watch" horse.

Saturday
08/20/2022

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

What is already a light card is being made even lighter as six horses have been declared.

- 1st Race #2 Surplus (Vet- injured)
#3 Terrible Ted (Vet-injured) Refund of \$383.56
- 3rd Race #1 Lucky Mary (Vet-injured) Refund of \$188.36
- 4th Race #2 Mi Amare (Stewards- entered back)
#7 Casillalater (Stewards- entered back) Refund of \$189.46
- 7th Race #1 Tainted Love (Stewards- entered back) Refund of \$298.96

(2) RULING

Ruling # 106

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (a) (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE), TRAINER MILTON PINEDA, WHO STARTED THE HORSE JOURNEY CAKE, THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE SECOND RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MAY 22, 2022, IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* AND ASSESSED ONE HALF POINT (1/2) IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843.4 (MULTIPLE MEDICATION VIOLATIONS) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (a & b) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES) AND #1843.1 (a) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES-PHENYLBUTAZONE).

The preceding ruling was issued to finalize the case against the trainer. While there were two violations, they took place on the same night, two races apart. We felt that Mr. Pineda did not have the opportunity to correct his medication program in time to avoid the second violation.

(3) RULING

Ruling # 107

JOCKEY ARMANDO R. CERVANTES IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1683 (MAXIMUM OVERWEIGHT) CAUSING A LATE RIDER CHANGE IN THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON AUGUST 14, 2022.

This ruling was issued as Mr. Cervantes could not get within seven pounds of his assigned weight on Sunday evening, causing a late rider change.

(4) JOCKEY EXCUSED FOLLOWING SPILL

Jockey Jose Cedillo, who was involved in a spill following race seven, was excused from his remaining mount. A replacement rider was named. Details appear in the Safety Steward's report.

(5) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	996	\$99,049.50
Off track	1,130	\$245,785.60
Out of state	N/A	\$1,041,137.84
Total	2,096	\$1,385,972.94

Sunday
08/21/2022

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

2ND Race #2 Kimberly's Devil (Vet-sick) Refund of \$89.30

3rd Race #6 Glenroy (Vet- injured) Refund of \$36.20

10th Race #3 Sweet Fire Girl (Vet-sick) Refund of \$39.90

(2) RIDERS EXCUSED

Jose Cedillo and Ramon Sanchez were excused from their mounts this evening; Cedillo due to injuries suffered in last night's spill and Sanchez due to a dental issue. Replacement riders were named.

(3) CLAIM VOIDED

A claim deposited by trainer Charles Treece in the third race for #5 Me Likey was voided as Official Veterinarian Gary Beck reported that the horse was "off" in the left foreleg during its time in the detention barn. The horse was returned to the barn of trainer Salvador Naranjo.

(4) LATE RIDER CHANGE

Jockey Juan Pablo Leon could not fulfill his commitment in the ninth race as he could not get within the seven pound maximum overweight limit. A replacement rider was announced.

(5) RACE LIVES UP TO ITS NAME

The feature race of the evening, the \$54,000 Claiming Futurity, certainly lived up to its name as five horses changed hands for the \$12,500 claiming price. A total of thirty nine claims were submitted, eighteen of which were for the winner, #1 Hay Shaker. It was standing room only around the claim box.

(6) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	698	\$107,705.10
Off track	1,014	\$179,348.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,184,365.97
Total	1,712	\$1,471,419.07

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on August 21, 2022. There were no equine deaths to report this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period, 8 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 2 for soundness, 4 for injury, and 2 for sickness. Four horses previously on the Veterinarian's list were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Tom Ward.

SUMMARY

	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat 08/20	Sun 08/21	Week	Meet
Accidents	D			0	0	0	5
Cal-Bred Races	A			0	0	0	16
Claims	R			0	10	10	132
Disqualifications	K			0	0	0	16
Inquiries		D		0	0	0	39
Refunds		A		4	3	7	312
Rulings		Y		2	0	2	107
Voided Claims		S		0	1	1	23

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

Tom Ward, Steward

James Dreyer, Steward

Rich Williams, Steward

Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward