

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
Los Alamitos September Meet  
Los Alamitos Racing Association**

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**Report for the Week of Tuesday, September 13, 2022, through Sunday, September 18, 2022.**

**GENERAL DATA:**

**Mailing**

**Address:** 4961 Katella Avenue  
Los Alamitos, California 90720  
Telephone number of association: (714) 820-2800

**Dates:** Friday, September 16, 2022 through Sunday, September 25, 2022. Seven racing days.  
First week total number of days racing is three, Friday through Sunday, second week  
total number of days racing is four, Thursday through Sunday.

**Races:** Nine races a day unless otherwise designated.

**Post time:** 1:00 p.m. weekdays and 12:30 weekends.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

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## **WEDNESDAY**

9/14/22<sup>1</sup>

### **DUTY STEWARD**

Steward Richard Williams is replacing Luis Jauregui, who is attending the Baltas hearing today, and is on-hand to oversee entries for Saturday 17, 2022. The eight-race card includes 60 horses.

**THURSDAY**9/15/22<sup>1</sup>**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward Jauregui was charged with overseeing entries for Sunday September 18, 2022,

**FRIDAY**9/16/22<sup>1</sup>**VICTOR ESPINOZA FILM REVIEW**

Victor Espinoza's agent Tom Knust phoned in to represent MR. ESPINOZA. Upon review Mr. Espinoza only had 6 strikes during the race and one strike after the finish of the race, therefore there is no violation for number of strikes but a violation of HISA Rule # 2280 (C)(4) striking a horse after the finish of the race. The following ruling was issued.

**LATL RULING #01**

Jockey VICTOR ESPINOZA, who rode ANGEL NADESHIKO in the eighth race at Del Mar Race Track on September 11, 2022, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority rule #2280(c)(4) (Use of Riding Crop – use of riding crop after the finish of the race).

9/16/22<sup>2</sup>**HECTOR BERRIOS**

Jockey HECTOR BERRIOS was in to review his ride in the 9<sup>th</sup> race on 9/11/22 at Del Mar Race Course resulting in a placing of his mount from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>. Although the interference warranted a placing, the riding did not reach the level of careless riding and no penalty is assessed in a unanimous decision.

9/16/22<sup>3</sup>**INQUIRY / DISQUALIFICATION -**

In the first race the Stewards' caused the inquiry sign to be posted for possible interference between the #1 CAPTURE THE SEA (trainer Matthew Fales, jockey Eduard Rojas Fernandez) and #6 PROJECT LEADER (trainer Jorge Farias, jockey Ricardo Ramirez). After review the Stewards' unanimously determined that there may have been bumping between the two horses but neither horse was denied a better placing.

9/16/22<sup>4</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, CLAIMS AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race No changes, No claims, No scratches. Inquiry following the race.  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race No changes, No scratches  
 #1 HORN OF PLENTY (trainer Steve Knapp) was claimed for \$8,000.00 by Jesus Uranga.  
 #6 ALLEVA (trainer Jeffrey Metz) was claimed for \$8,000.00 by Matthew Fails.  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #4 AUNT OPAL (trainer Sergio Morfin) was scratched (vet-Dr. Patio, injured in receiving Barn.) Refund \$907.90  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race No changes, No claims, No Scratches.  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race #2 DASHING DEMI (trainer Charles Treece) was scratched (stewards- Not Eligible.)  
 #5 MY SPY (trainer, Jonathan Wong) was scratched (vet-injured in paddock). Refunds \$5,152.70  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race #2 MALIBU MISTRESS (trainer Jeffrey Metz) was claimed for \$10,000.00 by Daniel Dunham.  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race #2 PRODIGAL SON (trainer Gus Headley) had a claim voided  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race #6 BUFFALO RUN (trainer Craig Lewis) was scratched (vet- Dr. Patio, unsound) Refund \$282.61

9/16/22<sup>5</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	622	\$167,224.71
SCOTWinc	2,265	\$857,253.86
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$3,449,584.13
Total	2,887	\$4,474,062.70

**SATURDAY**

9/17/22<sup>1</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Jockey EDUARD ROJAS FERNANDEZ was in to review the films from the 1<sup>st</sup> race on 09/16/2022. After viewing the replay, the Stewards' concluded that Mr. Fernandez could have made a better effort after contact to correct his mount. The infraction did not reach the level of unsafe riding. A warning was given to show the Stewards' a better effort at keeping his horse straight.

Jockey ERICK GARCIA was notified to see the stewards on 9/17/2022 about his crop usage in the 3<sup>rd</sup> race on 09/16/2022. Shortly after Mr. Garcia called the Stewards' and stated he realized that he had made one too many strikes, and would accept whatever penalty was issued.

**LATL RULING #02**

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 ERICK GARCIA, who rode DREAMER GIRL in the third race at Los Alamitos Race Course on September 16, 2022, is suspended for ONE (1) day (September 23, 2022), and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)\* for one (1) strike over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey ERICK GARCIA is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on March 17, 2023, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

9/17/22<sup>2</sup>

**INQUIRY NO CHANGE**

The Stewards' caused the inquiry sign to be posted for possible interference between the #2 ODONATA (trainer Doug O'Neill, jockey Abel Cedillo) and #9 GANDOLFINI (trainer Bob Baffert, jockey Ramon Vazquez). After review the Stewards' decided unanimously that any contact did not cost any horse a placing.

9/17/22<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race #3 MC WHERTER (trainer Steven Miyadi was claimed for \$10,000.00 by Brian Cunningham.  
#4 MAJESTIC WIND (trainer Gary Stute) had a claim entered but was voided for soreness right front.  
#8 SCRATCHY APACHE (trainer Jesus Uranga) had a claim entered but was voided for soreness left front.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race No Changes, No Scratches, No Claims.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #6 WESTERN CAPE (trainer Bob Baffert) claimed by Chuck Treece.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes, No Scratches, No Claims.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race #1 ECONOMICAL (trainer Jeffrey Metz) was claimed for \$16,000.00 by Sean McCarthy.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race #8 RUNAWAY SALLY (trainer Sam Scolamieri) was scratched (stewards-flipped in post parade and ran off). Refund \$3,551.57
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race #1 SPRING SPINNING (trainer Reed Saldana) scratched (vet-sick-Dr. Jenkins)  
#8 KEEPMEINTHE MOMENT (trainer Walther Solis) was scratched (vet-sick-Dr. Jenkins). Refund \$608.49
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes, No Scratches, No Claims.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes, No Scratches, No Claims.

9/17/22<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	1,555	\$401,130.79
SCOTWinc	3396	\$1,555,876.91
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,779,847.93
Total	4,951	\$6,736,855.63

**SUNDAY**  
9/18/22<sup>1</sup>

### **JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Jockey RICARDO RAMIREZ was in to discuss his usage of the crop in the 4th race on 09/17/2022. After watching the films of the race with Mr. Ramirez, all parties counted 7 strikes and the following ruling was issued.

#### **LATL Ruling #04**

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 RICARDO RAMIREZ, who rode ASPHALT ANDY in the fourth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on September 17, 2022, is suspended for ONE (1) day (September 24, 2022), and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)\* for one (1) strike over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey RICARDO RAMIREZ is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on March 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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> offense since July 4, 2022). RICARDO RAMIREZ has accrued a total of nine (9) points.

Valet OZZIE AYALA was in to represent jockey RAMON VAZQUEZ for his involvement in the interference in the 9<sup>th</sup> race while riding # 9 GANDOLFINI on 9/17/22. After reviewing the films, the Stewards unanimously decided that the infraction did not reach the level of careless riding.

Valet Ozzie Ayala was also present to represent jockey JUAN LOPEZ for his use of the crop in the 2<sup>nd</sup> race while riding #5 MINING CRYPTO on 9/17/2022. The Stewards and Mr. Ayala agreed that he used the crop 9 times. The ruling was issued after JUAN LOPEZ had a representative appear for him.

#### **LATL Ruling #03**

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 JUAN LOPEZ, who rode MINING CRYPTO in the second race at Los Alamitos Race Course on September 17, 2022, is suspended for one (1) day (September 24, 2022), and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)\* for three (3) strikes over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey JUAN LOPEZ is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on March 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 - second offense since September 2, 2022). Jockey JUAN LOPEZ has accrued a total of six (6) points.

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

9/18/22<sup>2</sup>

### **MILLER RULING**

#### **LATL Ruling #05 Peter Miller**

Trainer PETER MILLER, who administered an intra-articular corticosteroid injection to the horse LIAM'S DOVE on June 22, 2022, is fined THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1866.3(c)(e) (Intra-articular Injections Restricted – treatment within ten [10] days of workout).

The ruling was issued following a hearing presided over by Steward Grant Baker and colleagues Kim Sawyer and Luis Jauregui.

9/18/22<sup>3</sup>

### **STEWARDS' REVIEW**

Following the 5<sup>th</sup> race the Stewards had a Steward's Review involving the start of #6 NAP TIME (trainer Robert Lucas, jockey Barrington Harvey). #6 NAP TIME caused his own problems and was declared a starter.

Following the 8<sup>th</sup> race the Stewards' conducted a Stewards review into the start of #1 HANDSOME CAT (trainer Steven Miyadi, jockey Ryan Curatolo). #1 HANDSOME CAT, caused his own problem and was declared a starter.

9/18/22<sup>4</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, CLAIMS AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #4 DRIZELLA (trainer Eddie Truman) claimed for \$6,250.00 by Edwin Alvarez  
 #5 CORUSCATION (trainer Jesus Uranga) was claimed for \$6,250.00 by Angela Aquino.  
 #6 ROMAN EMPRESS (trainer Jose Hernandez) was claimed for \$6,250.00 by Juan Hernandez.

2<sup>nd</sup> Race #3 COME ON COME ON (trainer Jeff Blonde) was scratched (vet-injured-Bohannan)

3<sup>rd</sup> Race No Changes, No Scratches, No Claims.

4<sup>th</sup> Race #6 WILLY THE COBBLER (trainer Steve Knapp) claimed for \$8,000.00 by Jeffrey Metz.  
 #8 PORT O' CALL (trainer E. G. Harty) was scratched (vet-sick-Patio)  
 #3 CAL (trainer Paul Aguirre) was claimed for \$12,500.00 by Lorenzo Ruiz

5<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes, No Scratches, No Claims.

6<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes, No Scratches, No Claims.

7<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes, No Scratches, No Claims.

8<sup>th</sup> Race #1 HANDSOME CAT (trainer Steven Miyadi) claimed for \$40,000.00 by Jonathan Wong .  
 #4 BOCHOMBO (trainer Kristin Mulhall) was claimed for \$40,000.00 by Ron Ellis.

9<sup>th</sup> Race #2 MIDNIGHT JAMBOREE (trainer Bill Spawr) was scratched (Stewards)

9/18/22<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	1,101	\$323,364.45
SCOTWinc	2,983	\$1,054,302.32
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$3,947,214.90
Total	4,084	\$5,324,881.67

**VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 9/12/22 TO 9/18/22**

Horses on Vet List 13  
 Horses off Vet List 13  
 Shock Wave Therapy 0  
 Fatalities 0  
 Medication 0

**SUMMARY**

	Fri 9/16	Sat 9/17	Sun 9/18	Week	Meet
<b>Accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	2	0	2	4	4
<b>Claims</b>	3	4	7	14	14
<b>Disqualification</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Inquiries</b>	1	1	0	2	2
<b>Refunds</b>	4	3	3	10	10
<b>Rulings</b>	1	1	3	5	5
<b>Voided Claims</b>	1	2	0	3	3

Respectfully submitted,

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Rich Williams, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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George Yniguez, Steward

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