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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**  
**Big Fresno Fair Fresno, California**  
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**Report for the Week of Tuesday, October 4, 2022, through Monday October 10, 2022**

**GENERAL DATA**

Dates: Scheduled Seven Days:  
Friday, October 7, 2022, through Monday, October 10, 2022.  
Friday, October 14, 2022, through Sunday, October 16, 2022.

Entries: Forty-eight to ninety- six hours in advance.

Scratch Time: 10:00 a.m. next entry day.

Post Time: 1:45 p.m. daily

Wagering: Win, Place and Show wagering on every race.

Exotic Wagering: \$1 Exacta  
\$1 Trifecta (with 4 betting interests)  
\$1 Superfecta (with 6 betting interests)  
\$2 Rolling Daily Double  
\$1 Rolling Pick 3  
\$1 Early & Late Pick 4 (50-cent minimum)  
\$1 Pick 5 (50-cent minimum)  
\$0.20 Gold Rush Pick 6  
\$0.20 Gold Strike Super High 5 (50-cent minimum with 8 betting interests)

Stewards: Representing the California Horse Racing Board:  
-Grant Baker - Richard Lewis  
-Will Meyers - Calvin Rainey (Safety Steward)

Track Officials: Lauri King – Chief Executive Officer  
Larry Swartzlander – Director of Racing  
Doug Gooby – Mutuel Manager  
Craig Braddick – Track Announcer/Morning Line Maker  
Heather Haviland – Paymaster/Simulcast  
Juliana Gomes – Program Manager  
Trackmaster Inc. (Steve Wood) – Track Superintendent  
Sandra Rios – Stable Superintendent  
Pegasus Communications – Video Production  
William Vassar – Track Photographer  
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Racing Officials: Tom Doutrich – Racing Secretary  
Linda Anderson – Assistant Racing Secretary  
Dawn Schmid – Clerk of the Course, Thoroughbred  
Myra Troske – Clerk of the Course, Emerging Breeds  
Lisa Wilkerson – Stewards' Aide/Assistant Paymaster  
Jayme Thomas – Placing Judge  
Myra Troske – Placing Judge  
Kenneth Fowler – Clerk of Scales  
Stephen Fisher – Assistant Clerk of Scales/Patrol Judge  
Danny Winick – Paddock Judge  
Tammy Morris – Patrol Judge  
Manuel Trujillo – Starter  
Gary Greiner – Horse Identifier  
Jackie Payton – Horseshoe Inspector  
Jelina Pike – Clocker/Timer  
Forrest Franklin, D.V.M. – CHRB Veterinarian  
Mike Parker, D.V.M. – Fitness/Track Veterinarian

**TUESDAY**  
10/04/22<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRY DAY**

Racing Secretary Tom Doutrich and his staff were on duty for the first day of entries for the Big Fresno Fair. Ten (10) races were filled for Friday October 7, 2022. Seventy-one (71) horses are scheduled to start. Steward Richard Lewis was on duty for the California Horse Racing Board.

**WEDNESDAY**  
10/5/22<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRY DAY**

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Saturday October 8, 2022. Nine (9) races will be carded. Fifty-four (54) horses are scheduled to start. Steward Richard Lewis oversaw all matters for the CHRB.

10/5/22<sup>2</sup>

**ENTRY PANEL**

Steward Richard Lewis participated in a Zoom call entry review panel for opening day Friday October 7. He was joined by three (3) veterinarians. They were Dr. Forrest Franklin, Dr. Tim Grande, and Dr. Karen Hassan.

**THURSDAY**

10/6/22<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRY DAY**

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Sunday October 9. Eight (8) races filled. Forty-five (45) horses are scheduled to start. Steward Richard Lewis was on duty.

10/6/22<sup>2</sup>

**ENTRY PANEL**

A Zoom entry panel was held this afternoon for the racing card on Sunday October 9. Two veterinarians (Dr. Forrest Franklin and Dr. Tim Grande) participated along with Steward Richard Lewis.

10/6/22<sup>3</sup>

**EPIFANIO GARCIA FILM REVIEW**

Jockey Epifanio Garcia appeared in the Steward's office to review his winning effort on #8 More Bubbly in the first race at Golden Gate Fields on closing day Sunday October 2, 2022. Jockey Garcia was accompanied by Interpreter/Jockey Agent Leo Rodriguez.

The Stewards reviewed all camera angles of the five (5) furlong turf event. The Stewards concluded that Jockey Garcia used his riding crop six (6) times which is the maximum number allowed under HISA Rule #2280. No penalty.

**Friday**

10/7/22<sup>1</sup>

**POST TIME CHANGE**

The Big Fresno Fair requested that first post time for their ten (10) race opening day (October 7) card be switched from 1:45 p.m. back to 1:15 p.m. Permission was granted.

10/7/22<sup>2</sup>

**JOCKEYS' ROOM MEETING**

The Stewards met with the Big Fresno Fair's jockey colony prior to today's ten (10) race card. The majority of the meeting was spent discussing HISA riding crop rules (#2280, #2282 & #2283) that California Stewards began to enforce on July 1, 2022. Other topics that were touched on included.

- A. Timely arrival to jockey's room
- B. Keep mounts straight departing starting gate
- C. Avoiding half in/half out situations entering the turns
- D. Communication with track veterinarian
- E. Lodging of objections with track outriders

10/7/22<sup>3</sup>

**FOURTH RACE INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION**

The Big Fresno Fair traditionally sees many new faces in both the training and riding ranks. Our goal with this meeting was to keep this group of race riders as up to date as possible with the ever-changing rules of our sport.

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign following the running of the 4<sup>th</sup> race which was 1 1/16 miles. Inside the 1/16-mile marker original first place finisher #5 Wicked Blue (Brayan Pena) drifted out and make contact with second place finisher #6 Canyon Crest (Pedro Flores) who was 'head and head' with that rival at the time of contact.

The margin between these two (2) horses was a 'head' at the finish line. The Stewards' received a patrol judge report, spoke to both jockeys involved and viewed all camera angles (drone included) of the incident.

In a unanimous decision #5 Wicked Blue was disqualified and placed second. Jockey Brayana Pena was ordered to film review with the Stewards.

Original order of finish: **5**-6-3-4-2

Official order of finish: 6-**5**-3-4-2

10/7/22<sup>4</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race: Declaration #5 COLONELSDARKTEMPER (Tr. J. Wong)

1<sup>st</sup> Race: Jockey Change #2 KALINE – A. Cruz for S. Rivera – No Show

1<sup>st</sup> Race: #2 KALINE (Tr. Q. Howey) claimed, J. Gilmour, Trainer – VOID – Lamé – Forrest Franklin DVM

1<sup>st</sup> Race: No Show Wagering Refunds stet: \$341.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Race: Declaration #2 RUNAWAY SALLY (Tr. A. Aquino) Injured – F. Franklin, DVM

2<sup>nd</sup> Race: Declaration #5 FRANKLY ALL GOOD (Tr. I Tamayo) Sick – F. Franklin, DVM Refunds stet: \$120.55

3<sup>rd</sup> Race: Declaration #6 BACALAR (Tr. E. Miranda) Unsound – Forrest Franklin, DVM

3<sup>rd</sup> Race: #3 MIDNIGHT SYMPHONY (Tr. J. Thomas) claimed, D. Markle, Trainer

Refund Total: \$58.10

4<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #1 UNUSUAL CODE (Tr. B. McLean) Sick – Karen Hassan, DVM

4<sup>th</sup> Race: Ownership #2 STREET DEMAND should read Luanne Bean. Refund: \$72.10

5<sup>th</sup> Race: Jockey Change #2 TIGERINTHETANK – B. Pena for W. Antongeorgi - Sick

6<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #5 MR NAVIGATOR (Tr. J. Wong) Sick – Forrest Franklin, DVM

6<sup>th</sup> Race: #7 BETITO claimed, R. Lucas, Trainer. Refund Total: \$17.90

10<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #1 SYZSLAK (Tr. J. Gilmour) Unsound – F. Franklin, DVM

#2 BUEN CHICO (Tr. G Preciado) Improper Sex Listed - Stewards

#7 TIZ A THRILL (Tr. D.W. Baker) Sick – Forrest Franklin, DVM. Refund: \$3595.10

10/7/22<sup>5</sup>

**ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

On Track	6,782	\$431,074.50
NCOTWinc	1,383	\$484,835.33
Out of State	N/A	\$578,275.05
Total	8,165	\$1,494,184.88

**Saturday**

10/8/22<sup>1</sup>

**SANTOS RIVERA RULING**

The Stewards were informed by Jockey Agent Ramon Silva that Jockey Santos Rivera would be unable to fulfill his riding obligations on #2 KALINE in the first race on opening day Friday October 7. Jockey Rivera did show up to ride his other mount for the day. In a unanimous decision, the following ruling was issued.

**Fresno Ruling #1**

Jockey **SANTOS RIVERA** who was scheduled to ride **KALINE** in the First Race at The Big Fresno Fair on Friday, October 7, 2022, is fined One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement).

10/8/22<sup>2</sup>

**JONATHAN WONG RULING**

The Stewards were informed by Horse Identifier Gary Greiner that the Jonathan Wong trained #2 TIGERINTHETANK was a gelding and not a colt as listed in the official program. This horse was a first-time starter and the Stewards were informed of the

error before wagering opened this morning. Trainer Wong accepted responsibility for the error. The Stewards issued the following ruling.

### **Fresno Ruling #2**

Trainer **JONATHAN WONG** is fined Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750.00)\* for failure to list the correct sex of the horse **TIGERINTHETANK** in the program for the fifth (5) race at The Big Fresno Fair on Friday, October 7, 2022; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1865 (Altering of Sex of Horse).

10/8/22<sup>3</sup>

### **GUILLERMO PRECIADO RULING**

The Stewards were informed after the eighth race yesterday that #2 BUEN CHICO was a gelding and not a colt as listed in the program. The information was relayed to us by Horse Identifier Gary Greiner. We contacted Trainer Guillermo Preciado and informed him his horse would be declared (scratched) by the Stewards in adherence with CHRB Rule #1856(2) (Altering of Sex of Horse). In a unanimous decision the following ruling was issued.

### **Fresno Ruling #3**

Trainer **GUILLERMO PRECIADO** who entered the horse **BUEN CHICO** in the Tenth (10) Race on Friday, October 7, 2022, at the Big Fresno Fair is fined Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750.00)\* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration) and for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1865 (e)(2) (Altering of Sex of Horse - true sex not reported) necessitating a late declaration.

10/8/22<sup>4</sup>

### **BRAYAN PENA FILM REVIEW (REF: 10-7-22<sup>2</sup>)**

Jockey Brayan Pena appeared in the Stewards' Office to review his ride in the fourth race yesterday October 7. Jockey Pena was aboard #5 WICKED BLUE, who finished first, but was disqualified and placed second for stretch interference.

Today's informal hearing shows Jockey Pena and #5 WICKED BLUE drift out, under a left-handed riding crop, and make contact with second place finisher #6 CANYON CREST (Pedro Flores). The drift was significant and Jockey Pena accepted responsibility for the incident stating he "was trying too hard." In a unanimous decision the Stewards issued the following ruling.

### **Fresno Ruling #4**

Jockey **BRYAN PENA** who rode **WICKED BLUE** in the fourth (4) race on Friday, October 7, 2022, at the Big Fresno Fair is suspended three (3) racing days, October 15, 16 & 21, 2022 for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to second; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (Riding Rules – Careless Riding).

10/8/22<sup>5</sup>

### **CRISTOBAL HERRERA RULING**

Jockey Cristobal Herrera appeared in the Stewards' Office to review his ride on #1 SUNNY SPOT who finished second in the first race on opening day October 7. This race was contested at one (1) mile. The Stewards and Jockey Herrera reviewed all camera angles of this race. The Stewards determined that Mr. Herrera used his riding crop eight (8) times in this race. He disagreed with our analysis stating that two (2) or

three (3) of his striking motions did not make contact. He was informed of his appeal rights after being told of our unanimous decision.

**Fresno Ruling #5**

Jockey **CRISTOBAL HERRERA** who rode **SUNNY SPOT** in the first (1<sup>st</sup>) race on Friday, October 7, 2022, at the Big Fresno Fair is suspended one racing day, Saturday, October 15, 2022, and fined Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), pursuant to Horse Racing and Integrity Authority (HISA) Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – Class 3, two (2) strikes over the legal limit) for violation of HISA Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop).

Jockey CRISTOBAL HERRERA is assigned three (3) violation points that will expire April 7, 2023, six months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to HISA Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties).

10/8/22<sup>6</sup>

**FOURTH RACE STEWARDS' REVIEW**

Track Announcer Craig Braddick informed the public that a Steward's Review would be conducted into the start of the fourth race. In this five (5) furlong race, seventh (last) place finisher #4 BENNYANDTHECHICKS stumbled badly and nearly unseated Jockey Jake Samuels. After the brief review, the race was made official.

10/8/22<sup>7</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race: Declaration #2 PULPIT SINGER (Tr. P. De Jesus) Sick – Mike Parker, DVM  
 1<sup>st</sup> Race: No Show Wagering. Refund Total: \$299.00  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race: Declaration #5 SMILEFORME (Tr. J. Wong) Sick – Mike Parker, DVM  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race: #3 BEAR CHUM (Tr. J. Wong) claimed, L. Barocio, Trainer – VOID Unsound  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race: No Show Wagering. Refund Total: \$71.73  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race: #5 HULA KING (Tr. I.Tamayo) claimed, J. Gilmour, trainer  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race: Ownership #7 MARKSMAN ON TARGET should read Luanne Bean  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race: #4 U S READY (Tr. E. Jackson) claimed, A. Aquino, trainer  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race: Ownership #3 LONSDALEITE should read Luanne Bean  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #3 MEET THE SHERIFF(Tr. I.Tamayo)Unsound–F. Franklin,DVM  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #4 STAY HAPPY (Tr. J. Metz) Unsound – Forrest Franklin, DVM  
 Refund Total: \$117.23  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race: Ownership #2 STREET DEMAND should read Luanne Bean  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race: #2 LIGHTINTHEDARKNESS (Tr. J. Wong) claimed, J. Gilmour, trainer  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race: No Show Wagering  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #3 GOOD VIBES ONLY (Tr. J. Sadler) Stake – Stewards  
 Refund Total: \$123.13  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #1 CHULA GIRL (Tr. J. Gilmour) Unsound – F. Franklin, DVM  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race: #1 MY SPY (Tr. J. Wong) claimed, I. Tamayo, trainer  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race: #3 JAYCEE (Tr. G. Greiner) claimed, J. Wong, trainer  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race: Jockey Change #3 JAYCEE – S. Amador for W. Antongeorgi - Sick  
 Refund Total: \$134.53

10/8/22<sup>8</sup>

**ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

On track	4,860	\$405,906.50
NCOTWinc	1,386	\$862,902.50
Out of State	N/A	\$368,631.83
Total	6,246	\$1,637,440.83

**Sunday**

10/9/22<sup>1</sup>

**OFFICE DUTIES**

The Stewards held routine office hours this morning. Steward Richard Lewis is supervising the scratch board this week.

10/9/22<sup>2</sup>

**GOOD RACING**

Today's eight (8) race card went well as it was free of Stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

10/9/22<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race: #4 ALESHA (Tr. D. Franko) claimed, I. Tamayo, Trainer

1<sup>st</sup> Race: Jockey Change #3 SHEZ A GRINDER – V. Jensen for J. Samuels - Sick

2<sup>nd</sup> Race: Declaration #3 FASCINATED (Tr. J. Wong) Sick – Mike Parker, DVM

2<sup>nd</sup> Race: Declaration #5 LOVE CANDY (Tr. E. Moger Jr.) Loose in Post Parada – Mike Parker, DVM

2<sup>nd</sup> Race: Win Wagering Only. Refund Total: \$20,291.14

3<sup>rd</sup> Race: #5 MY LITTLE TAYLOR (Tr. I. Tamayo) claimed, R. Lucas, trainer

4<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #6 ATLANTIC STRIKE (Tr. J. Wong) Sick – Mike Parker, DVM

Refund Total: \$127.50

5<sup>th</sup> Race: #4 U S READY (Tr. E. Jackson) claimed, A. Aquino, trainer

5<sup>th</sup> Race: Ownership #3 LONSDALEITE should read Luanne Bean

7<sup>th</sup> Race: #3 SACRED RIDER (Tr. J. Wong) claimed, S. Specht, trainer

8<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #4 THE YOUNG ARTIST (Tr. D.W. Baker) Unsound – Forrest Franklin, DVM

8<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #5 LIL INDIAN ANGEL (Tr. E. Jackson) Sick–F. Franklin, DVM

Refund Total: \$308.60

10/9/22<sup>4</sup>

**ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

On Track	4,732	\$325,490.20
NCOTWinc	994	\$636,771.19
Out of State	N/A	\$387,130.48
Total	5,726	\$1,448,207.17

**Monday**

10/10/22<sup>1</sup>

**CARLOS SUAREZ COMPAIN (CASE #22BM0015)**

CHRB Investigator Noe Longoria was in the Stewards' Office this morning ready to introduce a thirty-six (36) page complaint he prepared in a case filed against Groom Carlos Suarez. This complaint alleges violation of California Horse Racing Board Rules #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations), Rule #1481 (Occupational Licenses and Fees), Rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct) and Rule #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing). The cover page of this complaint includes the following summary:

*Trainer Osbaldo Jauregui notified CHRB Investigators that Groom Carlos Suarez was using street drugs. He intended to terminate Groom Suarez and requested that we accompany him. Contact with Groom Suarez revealed that he was under the influence/possession of methamphetamine*

Carols Suarez failed to appear for today's hearing. More to follow.

10/10/22<sup>2</sup>

**GOOD RACING**

Today's eight (8) race card went well, as it was free of Stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

10/10/22<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race: Jockey Change #4 LIVING WITH AUTISM - B. Pena for A. Ayuso - Sick

3<sup>rd</sup> Race: Jockey Change #4 STAR ENVY – M. Ibarra for J. Samuels - Sick

5<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #5 FORT LEWIS RIVERS (Tr. G. Williams) Workouts - Stewards

Refund Total: \$21.90

7<sup>th</sup> Race: Declaration #4 RAAJIN RIBBON (Tr. J. Metz) Unsound – F. Franklin, DVM

7<sup>th</sup> Race: #3 Wegotbeeronice (Tr. J. Gilmour) claimed, A. Ordonez, trainer

7<sup>th</sup> Race: Jockey Change #1 STOLEN VOTE – P. Terrero for A. Ayuso – Sick

7<sup>th</sup> Race: Jockey Change #3 WEGOTBEERONICE – F. Alvarado for J. Samuels - Sick

Refund Total: \$32.00

8<sup>th</sup> Race: Jockey Change #3 MIQUEAS – S. Amador for W. Antongeorgi – Sick

8<sup>th</sup> Race: Jockey Change #6 SIX SHOTS OF T – A. Cruz for J. Samuels – Sick

8<sup>th</sup> Race: #9 PROSPECT OF RAIN (Tr. S. Paldanius) claimed, D. Franko, trainer

10/10/22<sup>4</sup>

**ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

On Track	4,380	\$242,687.40
NCOTWinc	577	\$252,020.72
Out of State	N/A	\$419,792.87
Total	4,957	\$1,020,088.19

**SUMMARY**

	Fri 10/7	Sat 10/8	Sun 10/9	Mon 10/10	Week	Meet
<b>Accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	0	1	0	0	1	1
<b>Claims</b>	3	6	3	2	14	14
<b>Disqualifications</b>	1	0	0	0	1	1
<b>Inquiries</b>	1	0	0	0	1	1
<b>Refunds</b>	6	5	3	2	16	16
<b>Rulings</b>	1	5	0	0	6	6
<b>Voided Claims</b>	1	1	0	0	2	2

Respectfully submitted,

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Grant Baker, Steward

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Richard Lewis, Steward

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Will Meyers, Steward