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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc.**

Santa Anita Park, Arcadia, California

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**Report for Tuesday, January 3, 2023, Through Sunday, January 8, 2023****WEDNESDAY**1/4/23<sup>1</sup>**DARK DAY DUTIES**

Steward Williams was available to supervise entries for Saturday (10 races) and approve program changes for Friday (8 races).

**THURSDAY**1/5/23<sup>1</sup>**DUTY STEWARD**

Again, Rich Williams was present to adjudicate any issues that may arise concerning entries for Sunday (9 races) and program adjustments for Saturday.

**FRIDAY**1/6/23<sup>1</sup>**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

JOE BRAVO and RAMON VASQUEZ met with the Stewards to review the ninth race to discuss the run into the first turn of the mile dirt event. They were both cautioned to allow more room when folding into a turn for their safety and the safety of others. They both agreed. Warning.

Apprentice ARMANDO AGULAR met with the BOS to review his ride in the third race. We believed as there is no longer a mandatory apprentice class it would be prudent to have him in with the BOS. He was given some riding pointers in two different races. He was very appreciative and was told if he has questions in the future feel free to visit.

1/6/23<sup>2</sup>**VOIDED CLAIM**

Following a physical examination by Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio, #1 HASKELLED, who raced in the sixth race was placed on the Veterinarian's List. The Stewards voided the claim and the horse returned to the stable of trainer Doug O'Neill.

1/6/23<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race No Changes; Refund \$325.22  
 2nd race #1 Wirly Girly (Tr. M. Puype) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio Refund \$920.03  
 3rd race #2 High Heater (R.B. Hess, Jr.) claimed by Tr. S. Knapp  
 #5 Niles Channel (Tr. L. Ruiz) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio  
 #6 Big Buzz (Tr. J. Mullins) claimed by Tr. R. Saldana. Refund \$700.47  
 4th race No Changes; Refund \$40.00  
 5th race #5 Ardis (G. Papaprodromou) claimed by Tr. S. Knapp. Refund \$30.50  
 6th race #1 Haskelled (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. R. Aguirre-VOID  
 #6 Armaveer (Tr. S. Scoamieri) Stewards-track condition. Refund \$529.60  
 7th race #1 Kristi's Tiger (Tr. T. R. Bell III) claimed by Tr. L. Barocio  
 #5 Del Mar Drama (Tr. E. Kruljac) claimed by Tr. P. Miller  
 8th race No Changes; Refund \$0

1/6/23<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,630	\$429,056.31
SCOTWinc	2,351	\$957,082.80
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,643,899.95
Total	4,981	\$7,030,039.06

**SATURDAY**

1/7/23<sup>1</sup>

**MULLINS RULING**

The following ruling was issued after the BOS received a copy of the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release from CHRB General Counsel, Robert Brodnik. The specifics of the agreement are outlined in the ruling.

**LATS RULING #04**

Owner/Trainer JEFF MULLINS, who started the horse "INCH", first place finisher, in the sixth race at Del Mar Race Track on August 25, 2022, having entered into a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the California Horse Racing Board, is fined ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00)\*, and suspended for THIRTY DAYS (January 9, 2023, through February 7, 2023) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1887(a) (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse), for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843(a)(b)(d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), #1843.1(a) (Prohibited Drug Substances - Clenbuterol) and assessed two (2) points in accordance with California Horse Racing Board 1843.4 (Multiple Medication Violations [MMV] Class 3).

In accordance with the agreement, FIFTEEN DAYS suspension (January 24, 2023, through February 7, 2023) are stayed, JEFF MULLINS is placed on probation for ONE YEAR from the date of this ruling and may not have any violation of CHRB Rules and Regulations, #1843, #1843.1, and #1887 regarding Class I, II or III drug substances. The term of suspension shall be from January 9, 2023, through January 23, 2023. If JEFF MULLINS violates a condition of the probation, FIFTEEN DAYS of stayed suspension shall be imposed following a notice and hearing.

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of JEFF MULLINS are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), JEFF MULLINS is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

1/7/23<sup>2</sup>

**INQUIRY /DISQUALIFICATION /SECOND RACE /5 ½ turf**

The inquiry sign was posted to review an incident soon after the start. Involved were #1 VICTORY MATTERS (R. Curatolo 9<sup>th</sup>), #2 BOTH AT FAULT (L. Contreras 11<sup>th</sup>) and #3 SPIRITUAL ADVISOR (G. Franco 3<sup>rd</sup>). Shortly after the field left the starting gate #3 ducked in sharply interfering with #1 and #2, who had to take up abruptly and alter course. In a unanimous decision, #3 was disqualified for interference and placed last behind #2.

1/7/23<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race No Changes; Refund \$825.52  
2nd race Changes; Refund \$64.00  
3rd race #1 Elusive Class (Tr. R. Aguirre) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio  
Refund \$956.73  
4th race No Changes; Refund \$0  
5th race No Changes; Refund \$0  
6th race No Changes; Refund \$0  
7th race #5 Merit Song (L. Contreras) DNF. Refund \$2.50  
8th race No Changes; Refund \$48.30  
9th race No Changes; Refund \$61.10  
10<sup>th</sup> race No Changes; Refund \$321.80

1/7/23<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	8,527	\$1,144,070.30
SCOTWinc	3,647	\$1,556,489.41
Out of state + ADW	n/a	\$11,395,233.89
Total	12,174	\$14,095,793.60

**SUNDAY**

1/8/23<sup>1</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

JOE BRAVO who rode the 10<sup>th</sup> race yesterday, (Unusual Heat Turf Classic, 3<sup>rd</sup>) was directed to meet with the BOS. He communicated with the Stewards via telephone and admitted he violated the crop rule. His penalty is listed in the following ruling.

**LATS RULING #05**

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 JOE BRAVO, who rode LUVLUV in the tenth race at Santa Anita Park on January 7, 2023, is suspended for (1) day (January 15, 2023), and fined TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$250.00)\* for one (1) strike over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey JOE BRAVO is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on July 8, 2023, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and penalties) – third offense since August 11, 2022. Jockey Joe Bravo has accrued a total of nine (9) points.

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

FLAVIEN PRAT, who rode the 7<sup>th</sup> race yesterday, (California Cup Derby, 2<sup>nd</sup>) was also directed to meet with the BOS to discuss the use of his crop. He admitted he went one over the limit but was surprised with the penalty assigned per HISA. This is his first penalty since HISA's crop rule was officially implemented. The penalty particulars are listed in the following ruling.

**LATS RULING #06**

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 FLAVIEN PRAT, who rode GIVER NOT A TAKER in the seventh race at Santa Anita Park on January 7, 2023, is suspended for (1) day (January 15, 2023), and fined TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$250.00)\* for one (1) strike over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on July 8, 2023, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and penalties) – first offense.

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

1/8/23<sup>2</sup>

**STEWARDS' REVIEW /FIRST RACE /one mile turf**

Following the running of the race the Stewards announced a Stewards' review was being assessed to determine if an incident approaching the 3/8 marker needed further evaluation. Involved were #2 BUCK OWENS (K. Frey 8<sup>th</sup>) and #9 MY RANSOM (L. Contreras 9<sup>th</sup>). Entering the far turn #2 took up while on the heels of #9. The blame could not be placed on any one horse; therefore, an inquiry was not necessary, and the original order of finish was made official.

1/8/23<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race	No Changes; Refund \$2016.47
2nd race	No Changes; Refund \$0
3rd race	No Changes; Refund \$55.50
4th race	#3 CLOONEY (Tr. T. Yakteen) claimed by Tr. J. Sadler. Refund \$462.47
5th race	#7 FLINT STROLL (Tr. P. D'Amato) claimed Tr. D. O'Neill. Refund \$2,204.80
6th race	#3 JUSTIQUE (Tr. J. Shirreffs) Stewards-stake. Refund \$13,810.54
7th race	#7 ARINNITI (FR) (Tr. R. Mandella) Stewards-full field. Refund \$5,406.15
8th race	#3 SPEED BOAT BEACH (Tr. B. Baffert) Stewards-stake. Refund \$5,158.89
9 <sup>th</sup> race	#9 RIP CITY (Tr. D. O'Neill) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio. Refund \$1,734.86

1/8/23<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	4,317	\$808,381.67
SCOTWinc	2,896	\$1,200,787.29
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$6,799,035.39
Total	7,213	\$8,808,204.35

**VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 1/2/23 TO 1/8/23**

Horses on Vet List	17	Horses off Vet List	7
Shock Wave Therapy	0	Fatalities	0
Medication	0		

**SUMMARY**

	<b>Fri 1/6</b>	<b>Sat 1/7</b>	<b>Sun 1/8</b>	<b>Week</b>	<b>Meet</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	1	10	2	13	15
<b>Claims</b>	5	0	2	7	17
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	1	0	1	1
<b>Refunds</b>	6	7	8	21	56
<b>Rulings</b>	0	1	2	3	6
<b>Voided Claims</b>	1	0	0	1	4

Respectfully submitted,

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Rich Williams, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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George Yniguez, Safety Steward

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