

California Horse Racing Board

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

Watch And Wager, LLC

Cal Expo, Sacramento, California

TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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Report for the Week of Tuesday, February 28, 2023, Through Sunday, March 5, 2023.

TUESDAY

02/28/23¹

DARK DAY DUTY

Rod Newhart Reporting and Duty Steward.

02/28/23²

ENTRY DAY

The race office was open today accepting entries for Friday, March 3rd and Sunday, March 5, 2023. One hundred seventy-three (173) horses were entered with one hundred seventy-two (172) drawing in. There are eleven (11) races with a scheduled post time of 6:45 PM on Friday, and twelve (12) races with a scheduled post time of 4:45 PM on Sunday.

02/28/23³

QUALIFIERS

Entries were taken this morning for the qualifiers to be held prior to the regularly scheduled races on Friday at 5:40 PM. Two (2) races were drawn.

02/28/23⁴

DARK DAY

WEDNESDAY

03/01/23¹

CHANGES

The Stewards' office was open to take changes for Friday, March 3rd. There were numerous driver changes.

03/01/23²

DARK DAY

THURSDAY

03/02/23¹

CHANGES

The Stewards' office was open to take changes for Sunday, March 5th. There were numerous driver changes.

03/02/23²

STEWARDS MEET

Driver Rene Goulet was in to see the Stewards regarding his possible whipping violation while driving #5 COWBOYS DIRTYBOOTS- Trainer Marco Rios- in the 1st races on Sunday February 26th. Mr. Goulet agreed that he was wrong and accepted the one hundred dollar (\$100.00)* fine for violation of the California Horse Racing Board Rule #1734 (b) (7). Ruling to follow.

03/02/23³

DARK DAY

FRIDAY

03/03/23¹

RULINGS WRITTEN

The following rulings were written:

Ruling # 32

Driver James Lackey, who drove #8 BEAR CAT SUE in the fifth race on Friday, February 24, 2023, is hereby fined the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for violating California Horse Racing Board Rule #1731 (g) (Driver infractions-fail to come up into position).

Ruling # 33

Driver Rene Goulet, who drove #5 COWBOYS DIRTYBOOTS in the first race on Friday, February 26, 2023 is hereby fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Whipping Rule #1734 (b)(7) (driver may not use the whip more than two times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond). First offense during the Cal Expo 2022/2023 racing season.

Ruling # 34

Driver Jessie Pacheco is hereby fined the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1731 (a). While driving #7 ARTSPIRE in the tenth race on February 26, 2023 at Cal Expo Harness, Mr. Pacheco did fail to post parade the horse in a timely fashion (seven minutes late).

03/03/23²

QUALIFYING RACES

Two (2) races went postward on a track rated "Fast" with eight (8) of the eleven (11) participants meeting the qualifying standards.

03/03/23³

CALIFORNIA SIRE STAKES

Prior to the regularly scheduled races with a post time of 6:00 PM, a California Sire Stake was held. The race was the first leg for Three Year Olds. This was a "conditioned" Sire Stakes for horses that are Non Winners of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) Lifetime. There were two (2) participants going for a pure of seven thousand five hundred (\$7,500.00).

03/03/23⁴

PROGRAM CHANGES

None.

RACE DAY

Eleven (11) races were scheduled for tonight under the Watch and Wager LLC banner with an adjusted post time of 6:40 PM over a track rated "Fast".
8th Race- #6 MAJOR MAC-Trainer Bob Johnson-was put on the Stewards List for a Break off a qualifier.

7th Race- #7 WONDER OF LOVE- Trainer Travis Ellis- was claimed for seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$7,200.00) by Kim Hines, Mt. Shasta, CA who was also the trainer.

03/03/23⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	90	\$20,632.60
SCOTWinc	N/A	219,997.40
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$760,623.57
Total		\$1,001,253.17

SATURDAY

03/04/23¹

DARK DAY

SUNDAY

03/05/23¹

PROGRAM CHANGES

5th Race Declaration- #1 PURE ADDITION- Trainer Travis Ellis-Scratched- Sick-Dr. Eduardo De La Cruz. A refund was issued of one hundred sixty dollars and ten cents (\$160.10).

03/05/23²

RACE DAY

Twelve (12) races were scheduled for tonight under the Watch and Wager LLC banner with an adjusted post time of 4:55 PM over a track rated as "Fast".

3rd Race – The stewards caused the Inquiry sign to be lit against race winner #1 WISH I HAD THYME- Trainer Jose Castillo- driven by Gerald Longo for possible interference in the stretch with second place finisher #2 BOLD NEW BEGINNING- Trainer James Wilkinson- driven by Luke Plano. After video review and speaking with Mr. Plano, the stewards determined that WISH I HAD THYME did not keep a straight course down the stretch thus interfering with BOLD NEW BEGINNING. WISH I HAD THYME finished first and was placed second.

Original Order of Finish-**1-2-3-6-4-5**
 Official Order of Finish- **2-1-3-6-4-5**

4th Race- Starter Adam Brownlee informed the stewards that he was fining Driver Elson Miller who drove #4 AK UP N ATTEM-Trainer Quentin Schneider- Fifty dollars (\$50.00)* for failure to come up in position.

6th Race - #4 BROOKLYN WIND UP- Trainer Alexia Kehl-was claimed by Trainer Travis Ellis- Owner Rebecca Kanak of Saskatoon, SK. For five thousand eight hundred dollars (\$5,800.00).

After the Ninth Race, Starter Adam Brownlee informed the stewards that the starting gate was not running right and that he had to switch to the backup gate.

10th Race – Driver Rene Goulet who drove #1 BENNY BARSIK- Trainer Darren Polloway- was summoned to the Stewards office on Thursday, March 9th for a possible violation of the California Horse Racing Board Whipping Rule.

12th Race- The Stewards caused the inquiry sign to be lit looking at the confusion right after the quarter. After reviewing the film, the judges decided there was no reason for a placing as the offending horse finished last

03/05/23³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	104	\$17,670.00
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$159,135.20
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$762,303.90
Total		\$939,109.10

SUMMARY

	Wed 03/01	Thurs 03/02	Fri 03/03	Sat 03/04	Sun 03/05	Week	Meet
Accidents	D	D	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	0	0	0	0	0
Claims	R	R	1	0	1	2	6
Disqualification	K	K	0	0	1	1	5
Inquiries	D	D	0	0	1	1	6
Refunds	A	A	0	0	1	1	36
Rulings	Y	Y	3	0	0	3	33
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
05-Mar.	5	1	PURE ADDITION	Travis Ellis	Sick	De La Cruz	\$160.10

Respectfully submitted,

Rod Newhart, Steward

Calvin Rainey, Steward

John Yinger, Steward

Tom McCarthy, Steward

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