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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 Monday, April 3, 2023, Through Sunday, April 9, 2023.**WEDNESDAY**4/5/23¹**PROGRAM CHANGES AND ENTRIES**

Steward Kim Sawyer was in on Wednesday to oversee entries for Saturday and program changes for Friday. The racing office carded twelve (12) races for Derby Day, Saturday.

THURSDAY4/6/23¹**AZCARATE CASE #22SA0194 (ref: 11/17/2022)**

After receiving notice from CHRB Supervising Investigator Mike Barker that Trainer DAN AZCARATE stated that he would bring a cashier's check for the remaining amount of \$3,600.00 dollars by the end of the day. Mr. Azcarate had received funds in his horsemen's account at Del Mar Racetrack in the amount of \$14,000.00 to claim a horse from potential owner Nick Laneve. Mr. Laneve requested his money be returned; Mr. Azcarate was not able to repay all the funds.

4/6/23²**DR. FINLEY HEARING (case #23SA0021)**

Veterinarian JENNIFER FINLEY was in our office to answer a complaint filed by Groom Luis Polanco for CHRB rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct) alleging that she shouted profanity towards him on February 2, 2023, at Santa Anita Park. Dr. Finley stated she was upset with Mr. Polanco when he sprayed her with the water hose and ruined some of her medications. Mr. Polanco stated that she said some disrespecting words towards him and said that if he had sprayed Dr. Finley, he would have apologized right away. After reviewing the video footage, it was not evident that she was sprayed. Dr. Finley did apologize to Mr. Polanco for her words, and we issued her a warning.

FRIDAY

4/7/23¹

ORDAZ RULING(case #23SA0001)

The following ruling was issued suspending exercise rider CESAR ORDAZ after we received that he failed to comply with ruling LATS #035 when he was required to meet with the Winners Foundation.

LATS RULING #047

Groom CESAR ORDAZ is here by suspended for having failed to comply with the provisions of LATS RULING #35 dated March 4, 2023 (Failing to be evaluated by the Winners Foundation and abide by their recommendations), for violation of California Horse Racing board Rule #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Racing) and Rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct- possession of drugs and paraphernalia).

During the term of the suspension, all licenses and license privileges of CESAR ORDAZ are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine) MR. ORDAZ is denied access to all premises under the jurisdiction of The California Horse Racing Board.

4/7/23²

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race #4 Baby Kristen- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick. Refund \$1,711.22
- 2nd Race #2 Excel Calculator- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer
#5 Riverside- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick. Refund \$984.93
- 3rd Race No changes; Refund \$55.00
- 4th Race #2 Love U Mean It- Steward's scratch- Enter back
#7 Big Shamrock- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer. Refund \$557.11
- 5th Race No changes; Refund \$50.50
- 6th Race #1 Silent Sunday- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick
#5 Ferociously- **VOIDED** claim, returns to E. Moger Jr. Refund \$648.85
- 7th Race #11 Cee Minus- Steward's scratch- Also eligible. Refund \$254.20
- 8th Race #3 Howbeit- Claimed by G. Papaprodromou, trainer. Refund \$58.00
- 9th Race #3 Anitanewmercedes- Steward's scratch- Enter back. Refund \$1,085.05

4/7/23³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	4,065	\$1,133,125.58
SCOTWinc	2,796	\$585,610.96
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,718,756.47
Total	6,861	\$7,437,493.01

SATURDAY

4/8/23¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey KENT DESORMEAUX was in to review yesterday's fifth race in which he shifted in, causing the inside horse to alter course. After reviewing the film, it was determined that his horse switched leads causing him to angle in. We agreed the incident was caused by the horse; therefore Mr. Desormeaux was not sanctioned.

4/8/23²

BARBOSA RULING

Apprentice jockey CARLOS BARBOSA was issued the following ruling after he took full responsibility for failing to attend the apprentice jockey film review.

LATS RULING #048

Apprentice Jockey CARLOS BARBOSA is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers – failure to attend film review class).

4/8/23³

STEWARDS' INQUIRY/ACCIDENT

We posted the inquiry sign after the running of the fifth race to review an incident approaching the eighth pole (turf) in which the #3 MIDNIGHT JOSTER (K. Desormeaux) fell. After reviewing the video several times, it appeared that #3 slipped and fell causing the jockey to be unseated, with no fault on any of the other participants. No change was made to the order of finish. Neither jockey nor horse were injured.

4/8/23⁴

OFF TURF

The remaining turf races were taken off the turf after both the Jockeys and Santa Anita Management agreed not to race on the turf due to concerns of slipping.

4/8/23⁵

STEWARDS' INQUIRY

We posted the inquiry sign after the seventh race to review two incidents. The first incident involving the #8 GOOD N THIRSTY (A. Aguilar) in which he lunged as the starters dispatched the field from the gate. In a unanimous opinion, #8 was declared a starter as he received a fair start and did not affect the order of finish.

The second incident involved the winner #2 KANGAROO COURT (F. Prat) and the second-place horse #3 BUS BUZZ (E. Maldonado) as contact between both horses occurred throughout the stretch. After reviewing the video several times and speaking to both jockeys involved, we made no change to the order of finish. In a unanimous opinion the #3 initiated the majority of the contact and since he finished second, therefore, no change was made.

4/8/23⁶

STEWARDS' INQUIRY

We posted the inquiry sign after the eleventh race to review an incident involving the #6 WINDOW SHOPPING (H. Berrios 3rd), #1 VENGANZA (M. Smith 5th) and the #4 CLINQUISH (U. Rispoli 7th) at the three eighths pole. After reviewing the race and speaking to the jockeys involved, we made no change to the order of finish. In a unanimous opinion the #1 altered course avoiding the heels of a tiring rival, who stopped quickly, triggering the #1 to shift out into the path of the #4 and #6 causing them to steady. The incident did not warrant a disqualification, consequently, no change was made.

4/8/23⁷

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1 st Race	No changes; Refund \$0
2 nd Race	No changes; Refund \$57.50
3 rd Race	No changes; Refund \$129.00
4 th Race	#5 Mystification- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Benson, trainer. Refund \$1,696.70
5 th Race	#5 Oncoming- Stewards' scratch- Stake. Refund \$1,689.19
6 th Race	#3 Geaux Rocket Ride- Stewards' scratch- Stake. Refund \$54,209.41
7 th Race	No changes; Refund \$5,767.25
8 th Race	#4 Jeweled Shillelagh- J. Velasquez replaces K. Desormeaux, injured
	#5 Reckless Spirit- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#6 Seven Wonders- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#7 Lost In Space (IRE)- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#9 Genius Jimmy- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Benson, trainer
	#11 Agatino (IRE)- Stewards' scratch- Off turf. Refund \$29,901.79
9 th Race	No changes; Refund \$1,761.87
10 th Race	#4 Tom's Beauty- Stewards' scratch- Stake
	#5 Stella Noir- Stewards' scratch- Stake
	#7 One Silk Stocking- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#8 Amy C (GB)- Stewards' scratch- Off turf. Refund \$37,460.25
11 th Race	#7 Princess Bettina- Stewards' scratch- Stake Refunds \$6,748.99
12 th Race	#1 Corporal Violette (IRE)- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#3 Annaghlass (IRE)- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#4 Ultimate Hy- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#5 Ross Barton (IRE)- F. Dettori replaces K. Desormeaux, injured
	#6 Rebel Girl- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#8 Scarabea- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#9 Unfaithful Ways- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#10 Shocking Grey- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
	#13 Howboudemapples- Stewards' scratch- Enter back
	Refunds \$32,362.32

4/8/23⁸

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	31,289	\$2,356,392.88
SCOTWinc	5,062	\$2,135,629.76
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$16,881,320.50
Total	36,351	\$21,373,343.14

SUNDAY

4/9/23¹

CEDILLO RULING

The following ruling was issued after we received notice that Jockey ABEL CEDILLO dropped his appeal of ruling LATS #32 (March 3, 2023). Mr. Cedillo was issued suspension days of April 28, 29 & 30, 2023.

LATS RULING #049

Having received notice from the California Horse Racing Board that the appeal of LATS Ruling #32 (March 3, 2023) has been withdrawn, the original ruling is reinstated. Jockey ABEL CEDILLO is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (April 28, 29 & 30, 2023).

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

4/9/23²

TURF RACING

We were informed this morning that the jockeys and management agreed to run the first race on the turf and will meet directly after the race to discuss whether to run the remaining turf races. The jockeys felt that the maintenance on Saturday night after the races should remedy any concerns regarding the turf.

After running the first turf race the jockeys and management decided not to run the last two turf races on the oval, due to concerns of slipping.

4/9/23³

INQUIRY/NO CHANGE

We posted the inquiry sign after the running of the seventh race (6 ½ fur. Hillside turf) to review an incident approaching the first turn in which the #4 CONCLUDE (F. Prat 4th) crossed over into the path of the #7 MARKS HIP (E. Maldonado 8th) causing him to steady. After reviewing the incident several times, we made no change to the order of finish. In a unanimous opinion the #7 did steady, but the incident did not cost him a better placing.

4/9/23⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race No changes; Refund \$0
- 2nd Race #2 Big Bell- Claimed by J. Metz, trainer
#7 Teen Drama- Claimed by V. Brinkerhoff, trainer
- 3rd Race #5 Natural Power- J. Hernandez replaces K. Desormeaux, injured.
Refund \$510.39
- 4th Race No changes; Refund \$917.74
- 5th Race #1 Respect the Code- K. Frey replaces K. Desormeaux, injured
#6 Whatmakesammyrun- Stewards' scratch- Track condition
Refund \$11,298.32
- 6th Race #1 Mongolian Ford- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer
- 7th Race #1 Mas Rapido (GB)- U. Rispoli replaces K. Desormeaux, injured
Refund \$2,080.69
- 8th Race No changes; Refund \$2,917.17
- 9th Race #1 Gypsy Lynn- K. Kimura replaces K. Desormeaux, injured
#3 Exactly Wendy- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick
#4 Big Beauty- Claimed D. O'Neill, trainer
#6 Peppermint Flirt- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
#7 A Crown for Kitten- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
#10 Dolly May (IRE)- Stewards' scratch- Off turf. Refund \$20,315.63

10th Race No changes; Refund \$1,870.32
 11th Race #1 Mitad Del Mundo- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
 #9 Derecho Dandy- Stewards' scratch- Off turf
 #11 Circleofchampions- Stewards' scratch- Off turf Refunds \$20,811.93

4/9/23⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	14,656	\$966,975.02
SCOTWinc	2,562	\$996,526.10
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$8,937,048.68
Total	17,218	\$10,900,549.80

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 4/3/23 TO 4/9/23

Horses on Vet List 11
 Horses off Vet List 9
 Shock Wave Therapy 0
 Fatalities 1
 Medication 0

SUMMARY

	Fri 4/7	Sat 4/8	Sun 4/9	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	1	0	1	4
Cal-Bred Races	3	2	1	6	76
Claims	3	0	4	7	147
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	1
Inquiries	0	3	1	4	11
Refunds	9	11	8	28	307
Rulings	1	1	1	3	49
Voided Claims	1	0	0	1	18

Respectfully submitted,

Luis Jauregui, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Rich Williams, Steward

George Yniguez, Safety Steward

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