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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
Watch And Wager, LLC**

Cal Expo, Sacramento, California

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**Report for the Week of Tuesday, April 18, 2023, Through Sunday, April 23, 2023.****TUESDAY**04/18/23<sup>1</sup>**DARK DAY**

Steward Newhart was present for entries in the race office today, accepting entries for Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, and Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. One hundred thirteen (113) horses were entered with one hundred eight (108) drawing in. There are eight (8) races with a scheduled post time of 7:05 PM on Friday and nine (9) races with a scheduled post time of 4:55 PM on Sunday.

04/18/23<sup>2</sup>**QUALIFIERS**

Entries were taken this morning for the qualifiers to be held prior to the regularly scheduled races on Friday at 6:30 PM. One (1) race was drawn.

04/18/23<sup>3</sup>**POST TIME CHANGES REQUEST**

Chris Schick, General Manager for Watch and Wager, requested a post time change for Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> and Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> to 7:05 PM due to the shortage of races. Executive Director Scott Chaney approved this request.

04/18/23<sup>4</sup>**DARK DAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

04/19/23<sup>1</sup>

**CHANGES**

The Steward's office was open to take changes for Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. There were numerous driver changes.

04/19/23<sup>2</sup>

**DARK DAY**

**THURSDAY**

04/20/23<sup>1</sup>

**CHANGES**

The Stewards' office was open to take changes for Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. There were numerous driver changes.

04/20/23<sup>2</sup>

**STEWARDS MEET**

Trainer/Driver James Lackey was in to see the Stewards as requested regarding the post parade of his horse SILVERHILL VOLO for the 3<sup>rd</sup> race on Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Lackey paraded his horse in the opposite direction after being told not to by the Paddock Judge. Ruling to follow.

Trainer Rick Cisco, trainer of RAIDER ROSE who was in the 6<sup>th</sup> race on Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, was in to see the Stewards as requested regarding the post parade. Trainer Cisco instructed his driver to parade the horse in the opposite direction after being told by the Stewards that was not allowed. Mr. Cisco had requested to parade the horse in the opposite direction in his previous start and Mr. Cisco was informed the Stewards would allow this for that start only. Ruling to follow.

04/20/23<sup>3</sup>

**DARK DAY**

**FRIDAY**

04/21/23<sup>1</sup>

**RULING #47**

In the Matter of: Trainer Rick Cisco

**Ruling # 47**

Trainer Rick Cisco, trainer of RAIDER ROSE, is hereby fined the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases not covered)-failure to obey the instructions of a racing official. In the 6<sup>th</sup> race on Friday, April 14, 2023, at Cal Expo, Mr. Cisco instructed his driver to parade the horse in the opposite direction after being told by the Stewards that this would be allowed for the previous start only.

**Ruling # 48**

Trainer/Driver James Lackey, trainer/driver of SILVERHILL VOLO is hereby fined the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for violation of the California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases not covered)-failure to obey the instructions of a racing official. In the 3<sup>rd</sup> race on Sunday, April 16, 2023, at Cal Expo, Mr. Lackey paraded his horse in the opposite direction after being instructed by the paddock judge that this was not allowed.

04/21/23<sup>2</sup>

**QUALIFYING RACES**

One (1) race went post ward on a track rated “Fast” with four (4) of the Six (6) participants meeting the qualifying standards.

04/21/23<sup>3</sup>

**PROGRAM CHANGES**

Driver Elson Miller, who was flying in to help with the driver shortage, was scheduled to drive in four (4) races tonight, however his flight was changed so he was unable to get to the track in the time necessitating the following driver changes:

1<sup>st</sup> Race Driver Change- #1 CLAIRMONT- Trainer Michael Meza-to James Kennedy.

2<sup>nd</sup> Race Driver Change-#5 AK UP N ATTEM-Trainer Quentin Schneider- to Gerald Longo.

4<sup>th</sup> Race Driver Change- #1 PEANUTBETTORNJELLY- Trainer Leon Smith- to James Lackey.

6<sup>th</sup> Race Driver Change- #6 CHASE THE GOLD- Trainer Quentin Schneider- to Gerald Longo.

7<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration- #1 HE GRINS AGAIN- Trainer Luke Plano- Scratched- Sick- Dr. Tom Bergstrom. A refund was issued of three hundred seven dollars and twenty-two cents (\$307.22).

7<sup>th</sup> Race Mutuel Change- With the declaration of #1 HE GRINS AGAIN, show wagering was eliminated in this four (4) horse field.

04/21/23<sup>4</sup>

**RACE DAY**

Eight (8) races were scheduled for tonight under the Watch and Wager LLC banner with the approved modified post time of 7:05 PM over a track rated as “Fast”.

3<sup>rd</sup> Race-Following the 3<sup>rd</sup> race, Trainer Michael Meza took the golf cart to the Winner’s Circle after being instructed by the outrider that this was not permitted. Mr. Meza was summoned to the Stewards’ office prior to the races on Sunday, April 23, 2023.

4<sup>th</sup> Race- Driver Rene Goulet, who drove #4 THE LAST WALTZ- Trainer Rene Goulet- was summoned to the Steward’s office Thursday, April 27, 2023, for possible violation of the California Horse Racing Board Whipping Rule.

6<sup>th</sup> Race- The 6<sup>th</sup> race was a California Sire Stakes Final for Three-Year-Old Colt and Gelding Pacers. Six (6) horses went post ward for a purse of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00).

04/21/23<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	150	\$18,635.60
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$243,546.10
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$273,203.77
Total		\$535,385.47

**SATURDAY**04/22/23<sup>1</sup> **DARK DAY****SUNDAY**04/23/23<sup>1</sup> **TRAINER IN**

Trainer Michael Meza along with Safety Steward Tom McCarthy and outrider Billy Don Wainscott were in the Steward's Office regarding Mr. Meza's use of a golf cart to go to the Winner's Circle following the 3<sup>rd</sup> race on Friday, April 21, 2023. Mr. Meza was informed that he was to obey any directions given by a racing official, in this case the Outrider, who had informed him that the golf cart was not allowed on the track. Mr. Meza apologized for his actions. Ruling to follow.

04/23/23<sup>2</sup> **PROGRAM CHANGES**

5<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration- #1 PRIDECREST-Trainer Kathleen Plested-Scratched- Sick- Dr. Lane Schloeder. A refund was issued for two hundred thirty-two dollars two cents (\$232.02).

04/23/23<sup>3</sup> **RACE DAY**

Nine (9) races were scheduled for tonight under the watch and Wager LLC banner with an amended post time of 6:05 PM over a track rated as "Fast".

2<sup>nd</sup> Race- #4 AERIAL VIEW- Trainer Kathleen Plested- driven by Lemoyne Svendsen Did Not Finish and was put on the Steward's List. The horse was examined by Track Veterinarian Dr. Tom Bergstrom and was placed on the Vet's List as injured.

3<sup>rd</sup> Race- The 3<sup>rd</sup> Race was a California Sire Stakes for Three-Year-Old Pacing Fillies. There were four (4) participants going post ward for a purse of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00).

3<sup>rd</sup> Race- The Stewards caused the inquiry sign to be posted regarding second place finisher- #4 GOTUBYDASHORTHAIRES- Trainer Gordon Graham- driven by Lemoyne Svendsen. The horse attempted to pull up past the half and driver Svendsen was able to get the horse back on course to finish the race. The Stewards found there was no reason for any change of order of finish.

04/23/23<sup>4</sup> **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	150	\$12,801.30
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$133,647.00
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$410,688.08
Total		\$557,136.38

**VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES**

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
21-Apr.	7	1	HE GRINS AGAIN	Luke Plano	Sick	Dr. Bergstrom	\$307.22
23-Apr.	5	1	PRIDECREST	Kathy Plested	Sick	Dr. Schloeder	\$232.02

**SUMMARY**

	Wed 04/19	Thurs 04/20	Fri 04/21	Sat 04/22	Sun 04/23	Week	Meet
<b>Accidents</b>	D	D	0	D	0	0	0
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	A	A	0	A	0	0	0
<b>Claims</b>	R	R	0	R	0	0	8
<b>Disqualifications</b>	K	K	0	K	0	0	7
<b>Inquiries</b>	D	D	0	D	1	1	12
<b>Refunds</b>	A	A	1	A	0	1	56
<b>Rulings</b>	Y	Y	2	Y	0	2	48
<b>Voided Claims</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Respectfully submitted,

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Rod Newhart, Steward

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Calvin Rainey, Steward

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John Yinger, Steward

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Tom McCarthy, Safety Steward

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