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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, May 1, 2023, Through Sunday, May 7, 2023.****WEDNESDAY**5/3/23<sup>1</sup>**PROGRAM CHANGES AND ENTRIES**

Steward Kim Sawyer was in on Wednesday to oversee entries for Saturday and program changes for Friday. The race office carded eleven (11) races for Saturday.

**THURSDAY**5/4/23<sup>1</sup>**CITATION**

Jockey EMILY ELLINGWOOD was cited for galloping the wrong way on the training track on April 30, 2023, at Santa Anita Park. After speaking to the trainer Ryan Hansen and Ms. Ellingwood, they stated that the horse was difficult to ride and goes a lot better if they allow it to gallop a couple of strides before asking it to jog. We asked them both to speak to the outrider and work out a solution. A warning was issued.

5/4/23<sup>2</sup>**GONZALEZ CASE #23SA0033**

A ruling will be issued tomorrow morning after Groom JOSE GONZALEZ failed to appear for his scheduled hearing. The CHRB filed a complaint citing CHRB rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct) after Santa Anita Security found a glass pipe, used to smoke methamphetamine, in his tack room on April 7, 2023.

5/4/23<sup>3</sup>**LARSEN CASE #23SA0049**

Owner JENS FREDRICK LARSEN will be issued a ruling tomorrow morning suspending him for failing to attend this morning's scheduled hearing. The CHRB cited rule #1876 (Financial

Responsibility) on the complaint after Veterinarian Melinda Blue reported unpaid veterinarian services in the amount \$899.11.

5/4/23<sup>4</sup>

**PSARRAS CASE #23SA0049**

The following complaint was withdrawn against Trainer ANDREAS PSARRAS filed by Eclipse Equine Thoroughbred in the amount of \$15,772.90 for boarding broodmares. Broodmares do not fall under our jurisdiction therefore it was withdrawn.

**FRIDAY**

5/5/23<sup>1</sup>

**GONZALEZ RULING (case #23SA0033)**

The following ruling suspends Groom JOSE GONZALEZ after he failed to appear for yesterday's hearing.

**LATS RULING #56**

Groom JOSE GONZALEZ, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards (Case #23SA0033) at Santa Anita Park on or before May 4, 2023, is hereby suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance for a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer charges alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1874 (Disorderly Conduct- possession of drugs and paraphernalia).

During the term of the suspension, all licenses and license privileges of JOSE GONZALEZ are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards) subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

5/5/23<sup>2</sup>

**LARSEN RULING (case #23SA0049)**

The following ruling was issued suspending Owner JENS FREDERICK LARSEN for failing to appear at yesterday's scheduled hearing.

**LATS Ruling #57**

Owner JENS FREDERICK LARSEN, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Santa Anita Park on or before May 4, 2023, is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear), pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer to charges alleging violation of CHRB rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility - \$899.11 DVM Melinda Blue). Suspension to commence May 12, 2023.

During the term of this suspension, all licenses and license privileges of JENS FREDERICK LARSEN are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

5/5/23<sup>3</sup>

**CITATION**

Exercise Rider JACINTO MUNOZ came in to answer to a citation issued by Santa Anita Security for using his riding crop during training on May 2, 2023. Mr. Munoz stated that he violated the rule and took full responsibility for his actions. Therefore, the following ruling was issued.

**LATS Ruling #58**

Exercise Rider JACINTO MUNOZ is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(1) (Use of Riding Crop –use of crop during a.m. training) at Santa Anita Park on May 2, 2023.

5/5/23<sup>4</sup>

**PSARRAS FINANCIAL AGREEMENT (23SA0018)**

Trainer ANDREAS PSARRAS and Equine Medical and Surgical Group for veterinarian services have reached a financial agreement. The case is referenced in our minutes on April 30, 2023<sup>3</sup>. The agreement terms will require Mr. Psarras to pay \$500 dollars per month until the full amount of \$14,250.24 is paid.

5/5/23<sup>5</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey TIAGO PEREIRA was in to review Sunday's sixth race in which he could have possibly violated the riding crop rule. Mr. Pereira finished sixth using his crop six times and stated he's trying to finish fifth, since it was a stakes race. After reviewing the video, we agreed to issue him a warning.

5/5/23<sup>6</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #1 Peppermint Flirt- Stewards' scratch- Off turf  
 #2 Slam Diego- Stewards' scratch- Off turf  
 #3 Violet Storm- Stewards' scratch- Off turf. (NO SHOW WAGERING)  
 Refund \$5,791.92

2<sup>nd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$113.20

3<sup>rd</sup> Race #3 Youteyourhonor- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer  
 #6 Professors' Pride- Claimed by M. Glatt, trainer  
 #7 Too Much Heaven- Stewards' scratch- Off turf. Refund \$1,152.46

4<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$86.95

5<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$274.85

6<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Truehood- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick  
 #2 Midnight Fury- Stewards' scratch- track condition. Refund \$3,390.61

7<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Thunderheart- Stewards' scratch- Off turf  
 #5 Inch- Stewards'- Off turf  
 #7 Westward Look- Stewards' scratch- Off turf  
 #9 Crew Dragon- Stewards' scratch- Off turf. Refund \$2,508.53

8<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$75.00

9<sup>th</sup> Race #7 Warriors Lady- Stewards' scratch- Off turf. Refund \$810.63

5/5/23<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,729	\$682,621.54
SCOTWinc	4,586	\$1,815,573.68
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,694,852.49
Total	7,315	\$7,193,047.71

**SATURDAY**

5/6/23<sup>1</sup>

**STEWARDS' INQUIRY/NO CHANGE**

We posted the inquiry sign to review the fourth race involving the #7 MR. DISRESPECTFUL (A. Aguilar 3<sup>rd</sup>) and the #6 FORDY G (T. Pereira 4<sup>th</sup>) in the backstretch. After reviewing the video and speaking to the jockeys involved, we made no change. The majority felt that the #7 did come in and make contact with #6, but the incident did not cost the #6 a better placing, who was beaten 3 ¼ lengths. Steward Sawyer voted for disqualification.

5/6/23<sup>2</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0

2<sup>nd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0

3<sup>rd</sup> Race #1 Ready Jet Go- Stewards' scratch- lost shoe. Refund \$96,712.74

4<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$85.00

5<sup>th</sup> Race #7 An Agent Mistake- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio. Refund \$3,430.30

6<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0

7<sup>th</sup> Race #3 AG Bullet- LATE Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, unsound  
 Refund \$72,782.11

8<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Winter Falcon- Claimed by B. Wright, trainer  
 #3 Sawasdee- Claimed by K. Mulhall, trainer  
 #4 Barsabas- Claimed by A. Farias, trainer  
 #5 Brutto- Claimed by A. Kitchingman, trainer

9<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0  
 10<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0  
 11<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refunds \$16.76

5/6/23<sup>3</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	14,509	\$2,612,143.73
SCOTWinc	12,437	\$5,060,010.46
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,125,866.32
Total	26,946	\$14,798,020.51

**SUNDAY**  
 5/7/23<sup>1</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice jockey ARMANDO AGUILAR was in to review yesterday's fourth race (6 furlongs) in which he was involved in a Stewards' inquiry down the backstretch. Mr. Aguilar stated that he tried and that it's difficult to correct a 1000 pound animal. We told him that the rest of the riding colony is capable and that he should be capable. We felt the incident warranted a suspension. Therefore, he left with a four (4) day suspension since it was his second offense in the last sixty days.

**LATS RULING #59**

Apprentice Jockey ARMANDO AGUILAR, who rode MR. DISRESPECTFUL in the fourth race at Santa Anita Park on May 6, 2023, is suspended for FOUR (4) racing days (May 14, 19, 20 and 21, 2023) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course in the backstretch causing interference. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding), second offense in last sixty days.

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

Jockey ANTONIO FRESU was summoned to our office to review his crop use in yesterday's fifth race. After reviewing the race, it was clear to us, and Mr. Fresu, that he went over the legal limit by one strike. Consequently, the following ruling was issued.

**LATS RULING #60**

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 ANTONIO FRESU, who rode SHE'S A JOKER in the fifth race at Santa Anita Park on May 6, 2023, is suspended for one (1) day (May 14, 2023) and fined TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)\* for one (1) strike over the limit

Furthermore, Jockey ANTONIO FRESU is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on November 7, 2023, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties).

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

5/7/23<sup>2</sup>

**STEWARDS' INQUIRY/NO CHANGE/ACCIDENT (1 mile turf)**

After the running of the ninth race, we posted the inquiry sign to review an accident involving the #3 KO SAMUI (IRE) (A. Alsagoor) who clipped heels unseating the jockey going into the first turn. After reviewing the video several times, we couldn't place blame on any of the other participants, therefore no change was made to the order of the finish. Neither the jockey nor the horse were injured.

5/7/23<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Kiss My Kat- Claimed by J. Periban, trainer

5<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Never Sway- Claimed by R. France, trainer  
 No changes; Refund \$0  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$65.50  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$134.50  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race #8 Colt Fiction- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick. Refund \$1,059.10  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0

5/7/23<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	4,767	\$749,502.80
SCOTWinc	3,126	\$1,201,475.43
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$9,115,777.68
Total	7,893	\$11,066,755.91

**VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 5/1/23 TO 5/7/23**

Horses on Vet List 3  
 Horses off Vet List 6  
 Shock Wave Therapy 1  
 Fatalities 1  
 Medication 0

**SUMMARY**

	Fri 5/5	Sat 5/6	Sun 5/7	Week	Meet
<b>Accidents</b>	0	0	1	1	5
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	3	1	1	5	96
<b>Claims</b>	2	4	2	8	175
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	0	0	0	2
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	1	1	2	15
<b>Refunds</b>	9	5	3	17	372
<b>Rulings</b>	3	0	2	5	60
<b>Voided Claims</b>	0	0	0	0	23

Respectfully submitted,

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Rich Williams, Steward

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David Nuesch, Safety Steward

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