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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
California State Fair - Sacramento, California
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Report for the Week of Wednesday, July 26, 2023 through Sunday, July 30, 2023**WEDNESDAY**7/26/23¹**ENTRY DAY**

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Saturday July 29, 2023. Duty Steward **Richard Lewis** was present to oversee scratches and changes for Friday July 28, 2023, racing card in which a total of thirty-nine (39) horses were entered with the feature race a \$35,000 - \$40,000 Claiming Race with five horses entered. The entry panel convened to delve into Friday's program.

THURSDAY7/27/23¹**DARK DAY**

The full Board of Stewards were present in the office, overseeing the entries for closing day Sunday July 30, 2023. Handling scratches and jockey changes for Saturday July 29, 2023, which saw a total of forty-seven (47) horses entered.

The entry panel for Saturday convened at 11:00am, which was led by **Dr. Grande**, attendees included, **Juliana Gomes**, **Dr. Franklin** and Duty Steward **Richard Lewis**. Several horses were included on the "hard watch" list, but no scratches were provided for this day of racing.

7/27/23²**HEARING RESCHEDULED**

The Official Complaint hearings scheduled for this morning - **Ms. Terri Eaton #23BM0005**, **Dr. Cory Soltau #23BM0006** and **Dr. Kim Kuhlmann #23BM0020** all were rescheduled and approved by the Board of Stewards. **Soltau** and **Eaton** hearings are now scheduled for August 10, 2023 at Santa Rosa. **Dr. Kim Kuhlmann** date is yet to be determined.

FRIDAY
7/28/23¹

DARK DAY

The full Board of Stewards were present in the office, handling scratches and jockey changes for Sunday July 30, 2023, which saw a total of forty-three (43) horses entered. The entry panel for Sunday convened at 11:00am, which was led by **Dr. Grande**, attendees included, **Juliana Gomes**, **Dr. Franklin** and Duty Steward **Richard Lewis**. Several "hard watch" horses were noted.

7/28/23²

RULINGS WRITTEN

SAC RULING #3 OROZCO (Amended)

Jockey **IRVING OROZCO** who rode **SEA DOG** in the fifth race at the California State Fair (Sacramento) on July 22, 2023 is suspended one (1) racing day, July 30, 2023, and fined Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) * pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) Rule # 2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties- Class 3, one strike over the limit) for violation of HISA Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop).

Furthermore, Jockey **IRVING OROZCO** is assigned three (3) violations points that will expire January 23, 2024, six months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to HISA Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties). Jockey **IRVING OROZCO** has now accumulated six (6) points.

Ruling #35 Pacific Racing Association – March 12, 2023

7/28/23³

JOCKEY OROZCO FILM REVIEW

Jockey **Irving Orozco** attended film review regarding the sixth race #6 **LADY GREGORY** on Sunday July 23, 2023. His race riding was being scrutinized by the panel. Veering in sharply during the final 1/8TH mile after clearing the lead horse. **Mr. Orozco** blamed the horse for being a little green and thought his horse had cleared the #5 **THREAD COUNT** mid-stretch. No sanctions against **Mr. Orozco** were taken.

7/28/23⁴

RACING PROGRAM

Seven (7) races were scheduled with a post time of 1:45PM over a track rated "Fast".

1st Race - a five-minute post time delay was observed by the stewards due to the track maintenance equipment being on track and a starting gate malfunction prior to the start of the race (The 6th gate not opening properly)

3rd Race – Jockey **Catalino Martinez** was added to the films list. An incident at the start where his mount #4 **O'NEILL'S LEGACY** veered out shortly after the start and impeded Jockey **Alejandro Gomez** and his horse #5 **SMOKIN HOT BOBBIE**. Stewards felt **Mr. Martinez** could have done a better job handling his horse away from the gate.

4th Race – Starter **Todd Stephens** was still having issues with the 6th gate not opening properly prior to the start of this race. In the best interest of the racing participants the stewards felt leaving this gate vacated and moving the remaining two horses outward one gate would be a sufficient and fair remedy.

5th Race – Jockey **Irving Orozco** was added to the films list. Possible crop violation (seven strikes)

7/28/23⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race – #4 **LOOKOUT POINT** (Trainer **Marcelino Trujillo**) was claimed for new Trainer **Gary Greiner**

3rd Race – Scratch #1 **GARDEES WORLD** (Tr. **Ruby Thomas**) Injured,

De La Cruz, DVM

#3 **RIGHTEOUSLY** (Trainer **Tim McCanna**) was claimed for new

Trainer **D. Wayne Baker**

#5 **SMOKIN HOT BOBBIE** (Trainer **Bill McLean**) was claimed for new

Trainer **Arturo Williams**

4th Race - #1 **CALIFORNIA GIGI** (Trainer **Gary Greiner**) was claimed for new

Trainer **Samuel Calvario**

6th Race - Scratch #1 **ANITANEWMERCEDES** (Tr. **Isidro Tamayo**) Sick,

De La Cruz, DVM - ** NO SHOW WAGERING **

#4 **SEATTLE BOLD** (Trainer **Steve Sherman**) was claimed for new

Trainer **Dan Markle**

7/28/23⁶

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On Track	3,450	\$102,675.20
NCOTWinc		\$358,210.01
Out of State	N/A	\$861,386.34
Total	4,299	\$943,604.54

SATURDAY

7/29/23¹

JOCKEY OROZCO FILM REVIEW

Jockey **Irving Orozco** attended film review regarding the fifth race (**#5 TORPEDO AWAY**) on Friday July 28, 2023. Possible violation of the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop). After **Mr. Orozco** watched the replay with the Stewards, he concurred with the Stewards that he indeed did violate the riding crop rule. A ruling will be issued.

SAC RULING #4 OROZCO

Jockey **IRVING OROZCO** who rode **TORPEDO AWAY** in the fifth race at the California State Fair (Sacramento) on July 28,2023 is suspended one (1) racing day, August 5, 2023, and fined Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) * pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) Rule # 2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties- Class 3, one strike over the limit) for violation of HISA Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop).

Furthermore, Jockey **IRVING OROZCO** is assigned three (3) violation points that will expire January 29, 2024, six months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to HISA Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties). Jockey **IRVING OROZCO** has now accumulated nine (9) points.

Ruling #3/Amended California State Fair – July 23, 2023

Ruling #35 Pacific Racing Association – March 12, 2023

7/29/23¹

CHIEF STEWARD VISITS

Mr. Darrel McHargue visited the Steward’s office prior to races and then the Stewards stand during the races to update us on the recent events with **HISA, HIWU, and CHRB**.

7/29/23²

RACING PROGRAM

Eight (8) races were scheduled with a post time of 1:45PM over a track rated “Fast”. #3 Jockey **Adrian Castellanos** was added to the films list. Possible crop violation, Remainder of the racing program saw no inquires. No objections or any other noteworthy incidents to report.

7/29/23³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race – #2 **HOT CHICKS ONLY** (Trainer **Jamey Thomas**) Jockey change from

Frank Alvarado (Sick) to **Adrian Castellanos**
 4th Race – Scratch #1 **GEORGE HERMAN RUTH** (Trainer **Steve Miyadi**) Sick,
De La Cruz, DVM
 #2 **TEAGANS ATM** (Trainer **Steve Miyadi**) was claimed for new
 Trainer **Guillermo Preciado**
 6th Race - Scratch #6 **IN HONOR OF AUTISM** (Tr. **Ruby Thomas**) Sick,
De La Cruz, DVM
 8th Race – #4 (Trainer **Jesus Ramos**) Jockey change from
Frank Alvarado (Sick) to **Epifanio Garcia**

7/29/23⁴

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On Track	4,230	\$222,009.50
NCOTWinc		\$303,044.61
Out of State	N/A	\$1,028,472.95
Total	5,539	\$1,331,517.56

SUNDAY
 7/30/23¹

JOCKEY MARTINEZ FILM REVIEW

Jockey **Catalino Martinez** attended the film review regarding his ride in the third race #4 **O’NEILL’S LEGACY** on Friday July 28, 2023. His race riding was being questioned by the Board of Stewards. **Mr. Martinez** allowed his horse to drift out two paths shortly after the start of the race and “*slightly*” impeded the progress of #5 **SMOKIN HOT BOBBIE** and jockey **Alejandro Gomez**. **Mr. Martinez** left with a warning.

7/30/23²

JOCKEY CASTELLANOS FILM REVIEW

Jockey **Adrian Castellanos** attended film review regarding the third race #4 **QUE SERA SIR RALPH** on Saturday, July 29, 2023. Possible violation of the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop). A ruling will be issued.

SAC RULING #5 CASTELLANOS

Jockey **ADRIAN CASTELLANOS**, who rode **QUE SERA SIR RALPH** in the third race at the California State Fair (Sacramento) on July 29, 2023 is suspended one (1) racing day, August 6, 2023, and fined Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)* pursuant Violations and Penalties- Class 3, two strikes over the limit) for violation of HISA Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop).

Furthermore, Jockey **ADRIAN CASTELLANOS** is assigned three (3) violation points that will expire January 30, 2024, six months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to HISA Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties). Jockey **ADRIAN CASTELLANOS** has now accumulated six (6) points.

Ruling #4 Alameda County Fair – June 18, 2023

7/30/23³

RACING PROGRAM

Eight (8) races were scheduled with a post time of 1:45PM over a track rates “Fast”. Ther final racing card of this meet was run with only two noteworthy incidents.
 8TH Race Scratch #5 **THECHIEFHASTRICKS** during post parade (Trainer **Jose Puentes**) Bled,
De La Cruz, DVM **NO SHOW WAGERING & NO SUPER HIGH 5 WAGERING**
 8TH Race Jockey **PEDRO FLORES** was added to the films list. Possible crop violation. This hearing will take place at Santa Rosa next week.

7/30/23⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

4TH Race #2 Scratch **NO SHOW JONES** (Trainer **Steve Miyadi**) Sick, **De La Cruz, DVM**
 5TH Race #1 Scratch **WAKES AND WEDDINGS** (Tr **Angelo Tekos Jr.**) Sick, **De La Cruz, DVM**
 6TH Race #1 Scratch **SURPRISE FASHION** (Tr **Sheldon Paldanius**) Sick, **De La Cruz, DVM**
 8TH Race #1 Scratch **MAJOR TOM** (Trainer **Steve Miyadi**) Sick, **De La Cruz, DVM**

7/30/23⁵

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On Track	5,110	\$169,988.77
NCOTWinc		\$201,624.09
Out of State	N/A	\$80,643.50
Total	6,167	\$1,103,161.46

SUMMARY

	Wed 7/26	Thur 7/27	Fri 7/28	Sat 7/29	Sun 7/30	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Refunds	0	0	2	2	4	8	22
Rulings	0	0	1	0	1	2	5
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
28-Jul	3	1	Gardees World	R.Thomas	Injured	DeLaCruz	\$98.70
28-Jul	6	1	Anitanewmerchedes	I.Tamayo	Sick	DeLaCruz	\$88.00
29-Jul	4	1	George Herman Ruth	S. Miyadi	Sick	DeLaCruz	\$108.46
29-Jul	6	6	Honor of Autism	R. Thomas	Sick	DeLaCruz	\$62.76
30-Jul	4	2	No Show Jones	Miyadi	Injured	DeLaCruz	\$63.62
30-Jul	5	1	Wakes And Weddings	J. Puentes	Injured	DeLaCruz	\$96.69
30-Jul	6	1	Surprise Fashion	A.Tekos Jr.	Sick	DeLaCruz	\$75.32
30-Jul	8	1	Major Tom	S. Miyadi	Sick	DeLaCruz	\$8,638.58

Respectfully submitted,

John Yinger, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward

Richard Lewis, Steward

Tom McCarthy, Safety Steward

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