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## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**

### **Los Alamitos Quarter Horse Racing Association**

Cypress, California

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**Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of October 11, 2023, through October 15, 2023.**

#### **WEDNESDAY**

10/11/23<sup>1</sup>

##### **DUTY STEWARD**

Morning chores will fall on James Dreyer this week, who will also compose the minutes.

10/11/23<sup>2</sup>

##### **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book, maidens two years old, was used open. Two Cal-Breds.

10/11/23<sup>3</sup>

##### **THE DRAW**

Saturday's program was put to bed at a respectable 2:00 p.m. filling ten races.

#### **THURSDAY**

10/12/23<sup>1</sup>

##### **SCRATCHES**

One scratch, five rider and two equipment changes completed Saturday's program adjustments.

10/12/23<sup>2</sup>

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Sunday's feature will be the Los Alamitos Super Derby Trials which went in five divisions.

10/12/23<sup>4</sup>

##### **JOCKEY HARVEY VISITS**

Barrington Harvey was in and submitted to a field drug test. Harvey had previously tested positive for marijuana. Today's test was negative and he was given a green light to begin accepting mounts again.

FRIDAY  
10/13/23<sup>1</sup>

**SCRATCHES**

Scratch time resulted in one rider change.

SATURDAY  
10/14/23<sup>1</sup>

**RULING #124**

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Jockey Eduardo Nicasio is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1688 (b)(8) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times during the running of the race) while riding Goodtyme in the fifth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on October 8, 2023.

The foregoing ruling as issued after a close scrutiny of Sunday's fifth race. It was determined that Jockey Eduardo Nicasio had violated rule #1688.

10/14/23<sup>2</sup>

**RULING #125 (Refer 10/12/23 - #4)**

**Ruling #125**

Jockey Barrington Harvey is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – Positive for Marijuana).

The above ruling was issued after meeting with Jockey Harvey on Thursday.

10/14/23<sup>3</sup>

**RULING #126**

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Jockey Cruz Mendez, who rode Favorite Budder in the third race at Los Alamitos Race Course on October 8, 2023, is suspended for three (3) racing days (October 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course, causing interference which resulted in the disqualification of his mount from fifth to eighth position. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (Riding Rules- Careless Riding).

Cruz Mendez was in and reviewed Sunday's third race with the Stewards. With Eduardo Nicasio translating for him, he made a valiant effort to talk his way out of the incident which resulted in his disqualification. It was to no avail, however, as he was unable to convince the Stewards an adequate effort was made by him to alleviate the situation which resulted in the above ruling.

10/14/23<sup>4</sup>

**CLAIM VOIDED**

The first race claim of Nice and True by trainer Santos Perez was voided after the mare was put on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. She was returned to trainer Jesus Uranga.

10/14/23<sup>5</sup>

**INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION**

The Stewards hung the inquiry following the seventh race to review an incident mid-stretch. #3 Jesses Kiss (3<sup>rd</sup> – A. Viramontes) was on a constant drift throughout the race and finally tightened it to the point that #4 Around Town (7<sup>th</sup> – J. Ayala) had to check to avoid heels. The vote was unanimous to disqualify Jesses Kiss.

Original Order 2-1-(3)-7-6-5-4

Official Order 2-1-7-6-5-4-(3)

10/14/23<sup>6</sup>

**LATE DECLARATIONS**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #1 Torrid Tommy (O. Heredia) – Unsound – Dr. Beck  
Refund \$97.35
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Enjoyed (J. Flores) – On vet’s list in New Mexico – Stewards  
Refund \$225.95
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Separate Sparks (J. Mendoza) - Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund \$97.45
- 9<sup>th</sup> Race #7 Miss Racy Seis (M. Taylor) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund \$169.25

10/14/23<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	754	\$93,624.90
Off track	1,223	\$301,815.00
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$1,122,431.04
Total	1,977	\$1,517,870.94

**SUNDAY**

10/15/23<sup>1</sup>

**RULING #127 (Refer 10/14/23-#5)**

**Ruling # 127**

Jockey Armando Viramontes, who rode Jesses Kiss in the seventh race at Los Alamitos Race Course on October 14, 2023, is suspended for three (3) racing days (October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course, causing interference which resulted in the disqualification of his mount from third to seventh position. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (Riding Rules- Careless Riding).

The foregoing ruling was issued after the Stewards met with Jockey Viramontes to discuss last night’s seventh race. Unfortunately, he was unable to convince us he had made an adequate effort to maintain a straight course.

10/15/23<sup>2</sup>

**OBJECTIONS – NO CHANGE**

Following the tenth race, the connections of #5 Flash of Sass (8<sup>th</sup>) trainer Jose Flores and Jockey Cruz Mendez both lodged a foul against #4 Savage Kingdom (4<sup>th</sup> – A. Cervantes). After speaking to those involved and reviewing the video, the Stewards felt that although there was a brief incident the outcome of the race was not compromised and elected to make no change.

10/15/23<sup>3</sup>

**LATE DECLARATIONS**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #2 Circle Your Bet (P. De Jesus) – Injured - Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund \$83.70
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #1 Summanus (S. Perez) – Unable to get van ride from Fresno – Stewards’. Refund \$69.14
- #7 Quiet Charm (S. Perez) – Unable to get van ride from Fresno -Stewards. Refund \$77.00
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Max Storm (R. Guillen) - Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald  
Refund \$413.35
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Firewall (V. Zamudio) – Flipped in Gate – Stewards’

Refund \$20,658.09  
 #6 Cheetin Heart (C. O'Dell) – Broke through gate and ran off  
 - Stewards. Refund \$18,390.63  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race #5 VF Bonafide (J. Flores) – No Pre-entry exam – Stewards'  
 Refund \$116.20

10/15/23<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	530	\$89,684.40
Off track	965	\$236,035.70
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$1,142,213.00
Total	1,495	\$1,467,933.10

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on October 15, 2023. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period, 11 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 6 for soundness, 3 for injury, and 2 for sickness. Four horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

**SUMMARY**

	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat 10/14	Sun 10/15	Week	Meet
<b>Accidents</b>	D			0	0	0	11
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	A			0	0	0	16
<b>Claims</b>	R			2	0	2	117
<b>Disqualifications</b>	K			1	0	1	28
<b>Inquiries</b>		D		1	1	2	42
<b>Refunds</b>		A		4	7	11	397
<b>Rulings</b>		Y		3	1	4	127
<b>Voided Claims</b>		S		1	0	1	28

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards James Dreyer, Tom Ward, Ron Church, and Safety Steward Paul Atkinson were in attendance during this reporting period.

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 James Dreyer, Steward

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 Tom Ward, Steward

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 Ron Church, Steward

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 Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward