

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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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, November 16 through Sunday, November 21, 2023.

TUESDAY11/21/23¹**DARK DAY DUTY**

Steward **John Yinger** was present for entries for the double draw on 11-24-23 and Sunday 11-26-23. Eight races were carded for Friday with a total of fifty-four entrants and nine races for Sunday with the total of sixty-seven entrants.

WEDNESDAY11/22/23¹**DRIVER CHANGES & SCRATCH TIME**

Steward **John Yinger** again was present to take any changes for the Friday overnight.

11/22/23²**DARK DAY****THURSDAY**11/23/23¹**DARK DAY DUTY**

Changes for Sunday's Overnight were being guided by Steward **John Yinger**.

11/23/23²**DRIVER FILM REVIEW**

Driver **Gerald Longo** appeared before the stewards to review several races on Opening night, November 17, 2023, and discuss a possible whip violation in each of those races. Mr. Longo could see the infractions that were of concern and said he would be more cognizant in the future. The Board of Stewards unanimously agreed to impose a fine on each race. Rulings to follow.

11/23/23³**POST PARADE SITUATION**

Driver **Luke Plano** was summoned to the Stewards' office regarding being late to post parades and wanted to try to rectify the situation going forward. Mr. Plano explained

several circumstances that occurred to undermine his plans. He assured the Board of Stewards that he would be more aware of these situations and handle them differently.

FRIDAY
11/24/23¹

RULINGS WRITTEN

CAL EXPO RULING #01

Cal Expo Driver Gerald Longo, who drove #6 BODY ARMOR in the fifth race on Friday, November 17, 2023 is hereby fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Whipping Rule #1734 (b)(7) (Use of the whip more than two (2) times without giving the horse a chance to respond) and Rule #1734 (b)(8) (Use of the whip more than six (6) times during a race, excluding showing or waving the whip.)

CAL EXPO RULING #02

Cal Expo Driver Gerald Longo, who drove #7 DIVINE ART in the tenth race on Friday, November 17, 2023 is hereby fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Whipping Rule #1734 (b)(7) (Use of the whip more than two (2) times without giving the horse a chance to respond) and Rule #1734 (b)(8) (Use of the whip more than six (6) times during a race, excluding showing or waving the whip.)

11/24/23²

DECLARATIONS AND CHANGES

8th Race-Driver Change- #1 PECORINO (Trainer Jose Castillo) driven by Mark Kennedy

11/24/23³

RACE DAY

Stewards **John Yinger, Steve Carpenito** and **Rod Newhart** were informed that driver Anthony Succarotte was still suspended per Cal Expo Stewards ruling #73 until he submitted a clean urine test for Marijuana Metabolites. Driver Succarotte submitted a urine test and it tested clean.

Ruling # 81

Driver Anthony Succarotte, Having successfully complied with the California Horse racing board ruling #73 is hereby restored to good standing in the state of California as of 11/19/2021.

11/24/23⁴

Driver/Trainer Meeting

Prior to the first race, officials, drivers, trainers, grooms, and management were invited to attend a meeting to be held in the paddock at 5:30 PM. Those attending were welcomed and introduced to two (2) new stewards, John Yinger, and Cal Rainey. Topics discussed by the stewards were basic racing procedures including starting gate protocol, whipping and other rule violations, scratch time driver changes and other decorum. Dr. Eduardo De La Cruz, CHRB veterinarian, went over new rules regarding medications, injections and made those present aware of the new rule going into effect on January 1, 2022, regarding prerace inspections of all equine participants. Chris Schick, Watch and Wager General Manager, welcomed back identifier Carl Sobey and talked about the new race schedule racing Fridays and Sundays.

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Program Changes

1st Race Declaration-#4 OUTLAWNOTHINBUTSMRT-Trainer Renee Goulet-veterinarian-injured-Dr. Lane Schloeder. A refund was issued of seventy one dollars and sixty cents (\$71.60).

5th Race Trainer Correction- #3 CRUISIN FOR YOU-Trainer Luke Plano.

5th Race Owner Correction- #4 CUT A RUG-Trainer Quentin Schneider to lessee-QKS Racing.

5th Race Owner Correction- #7 THEREALGOODS-Trainer Richard Schneider to lessee-Richard F. Schneider.

7th Race Owner Correction- #7 PROMISING FLIGHT-Trainer Richard Schneider to lessee-Richard F. Schneider.

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Race Day

Twelve (12) races were scheduled for opening night with a post time of 6:35 PM over a track rated "Fast".

1st Race- Driver James Jungquist was informed that he was being issued a fine of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for being off the gate with #6 CHASE THE GOLD.

4th Race- #4 HYPOCRISTY was put on the Steward's list for BOQ (Break off a Qualifier).

9th Race-Driver Nick Roland was informed that he was being issued a fine of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for failure to maintain a reasonable pace while driving #7 HE GRINS AGAIN.

11/24/23⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	100	\$31,985.00
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$183,703.90
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$399,441.88
Total		\$605,130.78

Saturday
11/25/23¹

Dark Day

Sunday
11/26/23¹

Dark Day

SUMMARY

	Wed 11/22	Thurs 11/23	Fri 11/24	Sat 11/25	Sun 11/26	Week	Meet
Accidents	D	D	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	0	0	0	0	0
Claims	R	R	0	0	0	0	0
Disqualification	K	K	0	0	0	0	0
Inquiries	D	D	0	0	0	0	0
Refunds	A	A	0	0	0	0	0
Rulings	Y	Y	2	0	0	2	3
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
24-Nov	1	4	OUTLAWNOTHINBUTSMRT	ReneeGoulet	injured	Schloeder	\$71.60

Respectfully submitted,

Rod Newhart, Steward

John Yinger, Steward

Cal Rainey, Steward

Tom McCarthy, Steward

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