

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Los Alamitos Quarter Horse Racing Association
Cypress, California**

TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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- Honorable Brenda Washington Davis, Member
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- Marc Shaw, Chief, Enforcement Division
- Darrel McHargue, Chief Steward

Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of November 21 - 26, 2023.

TUESDAY

11/21/23¹

DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will manage morning transactions in addition to composing the minutes during this reporting period.

11/21/23²

CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens two years old, was used open. 2 Cal-Breds.

11/21/23³

THE DRAW

A respectable sixty eight horses passed the entry box to makeup our ten race program.

11/21/23⁴

ALEMAN HEARING

This is trainer Aleman’s third class IV violation this year. He was found guilty on the first one. The second one was dismissed after the split sample was compromised and was unable to be tested.

That brings us to complaint #23LA0176 which will be heard today. Present today are trainer Aleman, investigator Stu Ida and the Board of Stewards.

Mr. Aleman testified that the only person that gives bute in his barn is his vet. In this instance, his vet was off, and a substitute gave the bute. Since this occurred his vet has been instructed to go fifty six hours out when injecting bute. A decision will be forthcoming.

WEDNESDAY

11/22/23¹

WARD FOR DREYER

Tom Ward gets the call today to make up for a day he lost while on temporary duty at Santa Anita.

11/22/23² **SCRATCHES**
One panel scratch and three rider changes completed Saturday's program changes.

11/22/23³ **CAL-BRED REPORT**
The first race in the book, maidens two years old, failed to fill.

11/22/23⁴ **THE DRAW**
Sunday's feature will be the Southern California Derby Trials going in three divisions.

FRIDAY

11/24/23¹ **SCRATCHES**
Scratch time resulted in one rider change.

SATURDAY

11/25/23¹ **RULING #145 (Refer 11/21/23- #4)**

Ruling #145

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE), TRAINER JUAN ALEMAN, WHO STARTED NO SEDONA, THE SECOND PLACE FINISHER IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON AUGUST 19, 2023, IS FINED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00)* AND ASSESSED ONE HALF (1/2) POINT – EXPIRES AUGUST 18, 2024 - IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843.4 (MULTIPLE MEDICATION VIOLATIONS) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (a & d) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES) AND #1843.1 (a) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES - PHENYLBUTAZONE). SECOND OFFENSE WITHIN THE PAST 365 DAYS.

After due consideration, the foregoing ruling was issued.

11/25/23² **RULING #146**

Ruling #146

Jockey Kevin Camacho, having complied with the provisions of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility - to Jockey Agent April Ward), is restored to good standing. Ruling #LAQL142, issued at Los Alamitos Racing Association on November 19, 2023, is set aside.

Jockey Kevin Camacho, having now honored his first installment to agent April Ward, is restored to good standing.

11/25/23³ **CLAIM VOIDED**
The second race claim of Cathedral Light by trainer Jesus Nunez was voided after Dr. Beck placed the horse on the vet's list as unsound. He was returned to trainer Martin Valenzuela, Jr.

11/25/23⁴ **GOOD EVENING**
Saturday evening went quite well with nothing of significance to note.

11/25/23⁵ **LATE DECLARATIONS**
1st Race #5 Mama Skip (R. Figueroa) Injured Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$2,253.06
3rd Race #7 Sasquatch Ride (P. De Jesus) Unsound Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$48.25
6th Race #2 Parco (S. Morfin) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$60.00

#4 Circle Your Bet (P. De Jesus) - Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$63.75
 8th Race #6 Head For Home (S. Willoughby) - Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$75.95

11/25/23⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	746	\$97,543.60
Off track	1,166	\$273,760.20
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$869,222.68
Total	1,912	\$1,240,526.48

SUNDAY

11/26/23¹

RULING #147

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Jockey Eduardo Nicasio, who rode Apolitical Walk in the third race at Los Alamitos Race Course on November 19, 2023, is suspended for three (3) racing days (December 2nd, 3rd, and 9th, 2023) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course, causing interference which resulted in the disqualification of his mount from second to sixth position. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (Riding Rules- Careless Riding).

Jockey Eduardo Nicasio called and said he was unable to come in as he was coming from Mexico and was running late. The Stewards reviewed Sunday's third race which was the race in question and could see nothing to bail him out. His mount was on a constant drift finally causing the horse trailing him to clip heels. His effort to correct the situation was inadequate resulting in the foregoing ruling.

11/26/23²

CLAIM VOIDED

The third race claim of Miley's Bluecat by trainer Clemente Hurtado was voided after the gelding was placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. He was returned to trainer Oscar Heredia.

11/26/23³

INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the sixth race to review the start. #4 Freddy Fender (1st- O. Peinado) broke in sharply pushing #3 Mitchs (6th- G. Lara) into #2 Mister Mac (5th- J. Ayala) who in turn was shoved behind #1 Trains On Fire (3rd- A. Viramontes), clipping her heels and stumbling. After examining the incident, the decision was unanimous to disqualify Freddy Fender.

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

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

11/26/23⁴

LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #7 Deal Em (L. Mendez) Unsound Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$317.51

5th Race #4 C'mon Lets Switch (R. Lucas) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald
 Refund \$48.66

11/26/23⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	568	\$63,684.10
Off track	970	\$148,594.60
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$1,209,135.46
Total	1,538	\$1,421,369.16

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on November 26, 2023. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period, 10 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 5 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 11/25	Sun 11/26	Week	Meet
Accidents	D			0	0	0	12
Cal-Bred Races	A			0	0	0	16
Claims	R			2	5	7	132
Disqualification	K			0	1	1	32
Inquiries		D		0	1	1	49
Refunds		A		5	2	7	454
Rulings		Y		2	1	3	147
Voided Claims		S		1	1	2	37

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

James Dreyer, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

Ron Church, Steward

Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward