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## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, INC. Arcadia, California**

### TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**Report for Wednesday, January 3, 2024, through Sunday, January 7, 2024.**

### **WEDNESDAY**

1/3/24<sup>1</sup>

#### **ENTRIES**

Steward DAVID NUESCH was in on Wednesday to oversee entries for Saturday and approve program changes for Friday. The racing office carded nine (9) races for Saturday.

### **THURSDAY**

1/4/24<sup>1</sup>

#### **M<sup>c</sup>CARTHY HEARING (case #23DM0050)**

Trainer MICHAEL MCCARTHY was available via Microsoft teams to answer to a complaint filed by the CHRB for violation of rules #1846.2 (Training Soundness Examination) & #1846.3 (Veterinarian and Training Records) when it was discovered that his horse "Manhattan Jungle" did not have an examination prior to training after a ninety (90) day layoff by the regulatory veterinarian and the attending veterinarian prior to the September 10, 2023, workout. Mr. McCarthy stated his veterinarian did examine the horse prior to the workout. He also stated he believes there should be a better way to notify the horseman of new regulations. Also, present was CHRB Investigator Hiroshi Yokoyama, CHRB Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio and recording the proceedings was Court Reporter Michelle Derieg. After hearing all the testimony and entering all the exhibits, the hearing came to an end.

1/4/24<sup>2</sup>

#### **BAROCIO HEARING (case #23DM0047)**

Trainer LIBRADO BAROCIO called in to answer a complaint filed by the CHRB for rule violation of #1865 (Alteration of Sex of Horse) when he entered his horse "Hey Brother" in the 4<sup>th</sup> race at Del Mar as a colt. Mr. Barocio stated he had entered the horse several days in row and he failed to double check that he listed the horse as a gelding for that day. He ultimately accepted the responsibility for the error. Ruling will be issued tomorrow morning.

1/4/24<sup>3</sup>

**DR. MCAFOOS HEARING (case #23SA0160)**

Veterinarian JESSIE MCAFOOS was in to respond to a complaint file by the CHRB for rule violation of #1842 (Veterinarian Report) for not reporting the examination on October 27, 2023, in the Equitaps system. During the hearing Dr. Mcafoos stated that the examination was conducted, and she did not know why her assistant did not report it in the system. She believes its either a Wi-Fi issue with her ipad or it was a human error. She also stated that the system is flawed and is asking for a way to determine how they can verify when it's been entered in the system. Decision to follow.

**FRIDAY**

1/5/24<sup>1</sup>

**BAROCIO RULING**

Trainer LIBRADO BAROCIO was issued the following ruling from yesterday's gelding hearing. Mr. Barocio accepted the penalty.

**LATS Ruling #07**

Trainer LIBRADO BAROCIO, who entered the horse HEY BROTHER, in the fourth race on November 19, 2023, at Del Mar is fined SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1865(e) (Altering Sex of Horse - true sex not identified).

1/5/24<sup>2</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey HECTOR I. BERRIOS was in this morning to review Monday's seventh race in which he possibly violated the riding crop rule. After reviewing the race several times, it was confirmed that he had exceeded the permitted use of the crop. Mr. Berrios agreed, and the terms of the penalty are listed below in the ruling.

**LATS Ruling #08**

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 HECTOR I. BERRIOS, who rode ZOFFARELLI (IRE) in the seventh race at Santa Anita Park on January 1, 2024, is suspended for ONE (1) day (January 12, 2024), and fined FOUR HUNDRED AND FOURTEEN DOLLARS (\$414.00)\* for one (1) strike over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey HECTOR I. BERRIOS is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on July 5, 2024, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties) – third offense. Jockey HECTOR I. BERRIOS as accrued a total of nine (9) points.

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

DMTD Ruling #15 issued on 08/03/2023.

LATL Ruling #06 issued on 09/16/23.

1/5/24<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$108.00
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$38.00
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #6 Chickasaw- Stewards' scratch- Enter back  
#7 Ze'Bul- VOIDED claim, return R. Hansen. Refund \$613.75
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Paco's Pico- Claimed by E. Moger Jr., trainer. Refund \$84.00
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Woodbine Way- VOIDED claim, returns to M. Casse  
#6 Quaria Thunder- Claimed by J. Sadler, trainer. Refund \$286.82
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race #2 Halone Veterinarian Scratch- Dr. Benson, injured  
#5 Scarlet Avenue- Veterinarian Scratch- Dr. Deluhery, injured  
(NO SHOW WAGERING) Refund \$1,618.74
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race #9 Paleo's Princess- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer. Refund \$7.62

8<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Lambeau- Claimed by L. Barocio, trainer  
 #2 Top Gun Tommy- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer  
 #7 Patron d'Oro- VOIDED claim, returns to P. Miller  
 #8 Established- Claimed by D. Azcarate, trainer. Refund \$8.50  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$574.60

1/5/24<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2867	\$447,748.68
SCOTWinc	2286	\$835,083.06
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,748,805.44
Total	5153	\$6,031,637.18

**SATURDAY**

1/6/24<sup>1</sup>

**BAZE RULING**

The following ruling was issued after Jockey TYLER BAZE acknowledged he went over the permitted crop usage in yesterday's eighth race. Mr. Baze forfeited his right to a hearing and accepted the penalty.

**LATS Ruling #09**

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 TYLER BAZE, who rode DISCO BALL in the eighth race at Santa Anita Park on January 5, 2024, is suspended for ONE (1) day (January 13, 2024), and fined TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)\* for one (1) strike over the limit.

Furthermore, Jockey TYLER BAZE is assigned three (3) violation points that will be expunged on July 6, 2024, six (6) months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties) – first offense. Jockey TYLER BAZE as accrued a total of three (3) points.

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

1/6/24<sup>2</sup>

**MILLER RULING**

Trainer PETER MILLER was issued the following ruling when he stated that his owner didn't want to run in today's sixth race. Mr. Miller stated that he would accept the following penalty.

**LATS Ruling #10**

Trainer PETER MILLER, who was scheduled to start GINOBILI in the sixth race on January 6, 2024, at Anita Park, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – didn't want to run).

1/6/24<sup>3</sup>

**TORREALBA RULING**

Apprentice Jockey J G TORREALBA was issued the following ruling when he failed to attend the mandatory apprentice film review. Mr. Torrealba said he forgot to attend film review and said it would never happen again.

**LATS Ruling #11**

Apprentice Jockey J. G. TORREALBA is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers – failure to attend film review class on January 5, 2024).

1/6/24<sup>4</sup>

**GOOD RACING**

The nine race card went without any major issues to report other than the changes and declarations listed below.

1/6/24<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #2 Bougie Like- A. Fresu replaces E. Maldonado, injured  
Refund \$1,575.05

2<sup>nd</sup> Race #1 Man Child- Claimed by K. Mulhall, trainer  
#5 Lonesome- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Benson, sick  
Refund \$2,323.90

3<sup>rd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0

4<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Wallea Sunset- A. Fresu replaces E. Maldonado, injured  
Refund \$107.11

5<sup>th</sup> Race #11 E J Won the Cup- M. Smith replaces E. Maldonado, injured  
Refund \$269.40

6<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Ginobili- Stewards' scratch- Didn't want to run. Refund \$1,529.75

7<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Irresistible Force- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, injured  
#7 Tickle My Fancy- T. Periera replaces E. Maldonado, injured  
Refund \$1,595.67

8<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$112.50

9<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Percolate (IRE)- Veterinarian Scratch- Dr. Deluhery, injured  
Refund \$2,445.73

1/6/24<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	7,087	\$995,483.99
SCOTWinc	3,386	\$1,317,371.58
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,342,612.64
Total	10,473	\$9,655,468.21

**SUNDAY**

1/7/24<sup>1</sup>

**QUIET MORNING**

Regular morning issues were concluded, and we had no hearings scheduled today.

1/7/24<sup>2</sup>

**JOCKEY OBJECTION (1<sup>st</sup> race)**

Jockey TYLER BAZE who rode the #8 CHICKASAW (6th place) lodged a claim foul against the second-place horse #7 MONTANA (F. Dettori) for an incident in the stretch. After reviewing the video and speaking to the jockeys we made no change to the order finish. We felt the incident did not warrant a disqualification.

1/7/24<sup>3</sup>

**STEWARDS' INQUIRY/DOUBLE DISQUALIFICATION (3<sup>rd</sup> race)**

We posted the inquiry sign to review the start involving #4 CATMANSUE (A. Aguilar 3<sup>rd</sup>), #2 STAY ON THE FENCE (M. Gutierrez 4<sup>th</sup>) #1 FACT OR FICTION (K. Frey 5<sup>th</sup>) and the #3 MISCHIEFS CAUSEWAY (A. Fresu 6<sup>th</sup>). After speaking to the jockeys involved and reviewing the films, the majority voted to disqualify the #1 and the #4 and placed them behind the #2 and #3. The majority felt the #4 broke inward making contact with the #3 and the #1 came out leaving the starting gate making contact with the #2, which cost #2 and #3 the opportunity of a better placing. Steward Jauregui voted to make no change to the order of finish.

Unofficial order 5-6-(4)-2-(1)-3  
Official order 5-6-2-3-(4)-(1)

1/7/24<sup>4</sup>

**STEWARDS' INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION (9<sup>TH</sup> race)**

The inquiry sign was posted to review the stretch run approaching the finish line involving the winner #2 CAPTAIN CHOOCHIES (L. Dettori), #3 CITY EXILE (GB) (F.

Prat 2<sup>nd</sup>) and the #6 DEVILISH DESIRE (D. Herrera 3<sup>rd</sup>). After speaking to the riders involved and reviewing the video several times, the #2 was disqualified and place third. The majority felt the #2 shifted out into the path causing the #3 and the #6 to make contact. Steward Jauregui voted that the incident did not warrant a disqualification, as he believed the #3 and #6 had mutual contact.

Unofficial order (2)-3-6-5-9-1-4-8-7-10  
 Official order 3-6-(2)-5-9-1-4-8-7-10

1/7/24<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #2 Rusty B Cause- L. Contreras replace K. Desormeaux, sick  
 #4Derecho Dandy- Claimed by E. Moger Jr., trainer  
 #7 Montana- Claimed by L. Campuzano, trainer

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

3<sup>rd</sup> Race #6 Prince Prancealot- J Hernandez replaces E. Maldonado, injured  
 Refund \$23.50

4<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$45.00

5<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Santos to Wilson- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Benson, sick  
 Refund \$513.89

6<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Vodka Vodka- G. Franco replaces E. Maldonado, injured  
 Refund \$22.50

7<sup>th</sup> Race #4 St Ignacio- M. Smith replaces E. Maldonado, injured.  
 Refund \$91.60

8<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Petit Filet- Stewards' scratch- Stake. Refund \$568.31

9<sup>th</sup> Race #9 Ashcroft- K. Frey replaces E. Maldonado, injured

1/7/24<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	5,174	\$763,770.93
SCOTWinc	2,830	\$973,712.17
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,934,823.36
Total	8,004	\$9,672,306.46

**SUMMARY**

	Fri 1/5	Sat 1/6	Sun 1/7	Week	Meet
<b>Accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	1	2	1	4	10
<b>Claims</b>	6	1	2	9	24
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	0	2	2	2
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	0	2	2	5
<b>Refunds</b>	9	8	6	23	59
<b>Rulings</b>	2	3	0	5	11
<b>Voided Claims</b>	3	0	0	3	5

**VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 1/1/24 TO 1/7/24**

Horses on Vet List	15
Horses off Vet List	8
Shock Wave Therapy	3
Fatalities	3
Medication	0

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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David Nuesch, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward

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