

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report for Monday, January 8, 2024, through Monday, January 15, 2024.

WEDNESDAY1/10/24¹**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward Luis Jauregui was present to oversee entries for Saturday (9 races) and approve scratches and program changes for Friday (9 races).

THURSDAY1/11/24¹**DUTY STEWARD**

Once again, Steward Jauregui was available to supervise entries for Sunday, and to approve scratches and program changes for Saturday.

1/11/24²**MCANALLY VISIT**

Trainer Ron McAnally along with Jockey Agent Alex Procel Crowley requested an appointment to discuss a trainee of Mr. McAnally, whose horse was involved in the overuse (11 times) of the crop by its jockey. The HISA violation requires the disqualification of his horse, who finished second. Discussion was had, hopefully Mr. McAnally now understands this penalty is a Federal Regulation, not CHRB.

1/11/24³**FIHN HEARING CASE 23SA0172**

The CHRB filed a complaint on behalf of K.C Horse Transport against owner Joel Fihn in the amount of \$2,331.65 for services rendered. Steward Baker, in charge of hearings finalized a financial agreement between the two parties via telephone. This agreement will be signed tomorrow.

1/11/24⁴**BERNSTEIN HEARING CASE 23SA0200**

The CHRB filed a complaint on behalf of K.C Horse Transport against owner David Bernstein in the amount of \$331.25 for services rendered. Steward Baker again, via

the telephone tried to negotiate a financial agreement with both parties. Eventually Ms. Sahadi withdrew the complaint.

1/11/24⁵

FRANKLIN HEARING CASE 23SA0177

The CHRB filed a complaint on behalf of K.C Horse Transport against owner James Franklin (Marron Road Ventures, LLC) in the amount of \$1,662.50 for services rendered. Again, Steward Baker made an attempt to formulate a financial agreement. More to follow.

1/11/24⁶

STEWARDS' MEETING

The quarterly Stewards' meeting was organized via Microsoft Teams so all contracted Stewards in the state could be obtainable. The main attendants included, CHRB Chairman Dr. Greg Ferraro, CHRB Commissioner's Dennis Alfieri and Brenda Washington Davis, CHRB Executive Director Scott Chaney and CHRB Chief Steward Darrel McHargue. An agenda was distributed to all participants and the listed subjects were discussed at length.

FRIDAY

1/12/24¹

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

Kyle Frey met with the Stewards as directed to review the disqualification of his mount in the third race Sunday (ref 01-07-24³). After a review of all angles Mr. Frey was issued a warning and was advised to make a stronger effort to correct sooner. He agreed he could do better.

Lanfranco "Frankie" Dettori also met with the BOS to review the disqualification of his mount in the ninth race on Sunday (ref 01-07-24⁴). After a review of the race and agreeing with Mr. Dettori's explanation of the incident, he left the office with a warning. He adjusted an inward drift and his horse over corrected.

1/12/24²

SALDANA HEARING CASE 23SA0181

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Reed Saldana in reference to CHRB rules 1484 (Evidence of Unfitness for a license) and 1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation). The complaint reads as follows;

Trainer Reed Saldana has a period of ineligibility of twenty-four (24) months (from July 6, 2023, to August 5, 2025) as outlined in HISA rule #3323 in relation to Equine Anti-Doping violations regarding the covered horse ICE QUEEN. During this period of ineligibility Saldana cannot participate in any Racetrack or Training Facility as a Covered Person under HISA. Due to Saldana being otherwise barred from participating in any racing occupation, he is also in violation of CHRB Rule #1484 – Evidence of Unfitness for License and #1900- (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation).

In attendance before the BOS were, Investigator Steven Manila and via telephone, trainer Reed Saldana. Steward Baker chaired the hearing, all pertinent questions were asked and answered. The exhibits were entered into evidence and the hearing was closed. Decision to follow.

1/12/24³

INQUIRY /JOCKEY OBJECTION /NO CHANGE /THIRD RACE ¾ dirt

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review two incidents in the stretch. Involved were #2 Sneak a Smile (T. Pereira 2nd), #6 Bronko Nagurski

(K. Kimura 1st) and #7 More Try (M. Gutierrez 4th). Also, Tiago Pereira (#2) lodged an objection against #6.

The first incident involved #7 and #6, contact was minor. The second incident involved #2 and #6 which occurred near the finish line. After a review of the video angles, conversation with the Patrol Judge and all jockeys involved, the original order of finish was made official. The unanimous opinion being, neither incident affected the final placings.

1/12/24⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race #7 Leopardess (GB) (Tr. R. B. Hess, Jr.) F. Dettori replaced K. Desormeaux (sick)
 #8 North East Star (IRE) (Tr. P. D'Amato) claimed by Tr. G. Papaprodromou
 #10 Grazen Touch (Tr. P. Aguirre) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Deluery
 Refund \$681.70

2nd race No Changes; Refund \$0

3rd race No Changes; Refund \$0

4th race No Changes; Refund \$0

5th race No Changes; Refund \$35.50

6th race No Changes; Refund \$26.16

7th race #8 Ice Queen (Tr. J. Nunez) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Deluery
 Refund \$408.92

8th race NO SHOW WAGERING
 #1 Brazenly (Tr. D. Azcarate) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio
 #3 Mystic Flyer (Tr. M. McCarthy) Stewards- loose post parade, exited track. Refund \$44,616.79

9th race #7 Night Music (Tr. M. Glatt) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio
 #10 Palagio (Tr. J. Shirreffs) claimed by Tr. Aguirre. Refund \$629.94

1/12/24⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,308	\$427,938.60
SCOTWinc	2,411	\$936,589.60
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,110,294.52
Total	4,719	\$6,474,822.72

SATURDAY

1/13/24¹

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

Geovanni Franco met with the Stewards to review the fourth race yesterday. The issue being, the possibility of Mr. Franco standing up before the wire and costing his mount a better placing (head), the difference between fifth and sixth place (Super Hi 5). After a thorough assessment of what was available to view on the videos, it was hard to prove he cost the horse a better placing. Warning.

1/13/24²

VETERINARIAN MEETING

In person, Drs. Tim Grande, Jeff Blea, Laurie Bohannon, Nolton Pattio, Jay Deluery, Michael Perrone, Veterinarian Assistant Fernanda Machado Pereira, and Dr. Dionne Benson via telephone. Santa Anita's Senior Vice President & General Manager Nate Newby, Director of Racing & Racing Secretary Jason Egan and Senior Vice President & Executive Producer Amy Zimmerman were all present with the BOS. The discussion involved the protocol of communication between Stewards and Veterinarians pertaining to declaring a horse from a race. Several resolutions were

discussed, uncertain there was 100% agreement to the options offered. More to follow.

1/13/24³

SANTA ANITA OVERPAY

Director of Pari-Mutuels Don Sanborn met with the Stewards to describe an incident that occurred Sunday January 7, 2024. A report from Bob Sloan (AmTote International) to Mr. Sanborn stated a carryover from Saturday's "Coast-to-Coast Pick 5" was deposited into Sunday's "Santa Anita Pick 5". The mistake was discovered after Sunday's "Santa Anita Pick 5" winning tickets were paid out and the fifth leg of the "Coast-to-Coast Pick 5" was finalized. The additional money added to the "Coast-to-Coast Pick 5" was in the amount of \$186,880.67. Attached, letter of explanation.

1/13/24⁴

MCCARTHY RULING Ref 01/04/24¹

The following ruling was issued after a majority opinion was formulated. Steward Sawyer voted for a more stringent penalty.

LATS RULING #12

Trainer MICHAEL M^CCARTHY, who trained MANHATTAN JUNGLE on September 10, 2023, at Del Mar Race Track, is fined ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1846.3 (Veterinary and Training Records for Horses Requiring Training Soundness Examination) and #1846.2 (Training Soundness Examination – no ninety-day examination).

1/13/24⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race No Changes; Refund \$749.00
2nd race #6 Noble Union (Tr. J. Periban) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Bohannon Refund \$1621.44
3rd race #2 Court Snort (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed by Tr. L. Powell
4th race No Changes; Refund \$549.98
5th race #8 Putt for Dough (Tr. A. Garcia) Veterinarian-injured receiving barn-Dr. Pattio Refund \$2573.70
6th race #4 Crypto Ride (Tr. L. Powell) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio Refund \$840.11
7th race No Changes; Refund \$0
8th race No Changes; Refund \$0
9th race No Changes; Refund \$0

1/13/24⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	8,073	\$1,046,603.73
SCOTWinc	3,656	\$1,463,449.18
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$8,315,645.59
Total	11,729	\$10,825,698.50

SUNDAY

1/14/24¹

DUNHAM RULING

The following ruling was issued after Mr. Dunham failed to register his trainee on Lasix in a timely manner.

LATS Ruling #13

Trainer DANIEL DUNHAM, who started the horse JETFIRE in the first race on January 13, 2023, at Santa Anita Park is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication – late registration).

1/14/24²

INQUIRY /NO CHANGE /FIRST RACE -6 ½ turf

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review the start. Involved was #1 Princessprancealot (H. I. Berrios 8th). Leaving the starting gate Mr. Berrios lost his right stirrup and was unable to retrieve it. In a unanimous opinion there were no other factors involved in the incident and the race was made official.

1/14/24³

VOIDED CLAIM

Following a physical examination of #1 Enahm, a ninth race participant by Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio it was placed on the Veterinarian’s List. The Stewards voided the claim and the horse returned to the stable of trainer Jonathan Thomas.

1/14/24⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race #6 Beautiful Janet (Tr. R. B. Hess, Jr.) F. Dettori replaced J. Rosario (sick)

2nd race No Changes; Refund \$0

3rd race #2 Collectively (Tr. R. Hanson) DNF

4th race #2 Screaming Virginia (Tr. L. Mendez) A. Escobedo replaced J. Lopez (personal)

5th race No Changes; Refund \$12.00

6th race No Changes; Refund \$21.00

7th race #1 Free and Humble (Tr. P. Miller) Steward-stake
#7 Wakanaka (IRE) (Tr. M. McCarthy) U. Rispoli replaced J. Rosario (sick). Refund \$899.15

8th race #1 Letshaveonemore (Tr. J. Sadler) Veterinarian-injured starting gate- Dr. Deluhery
#2 Thirsty Lov (Tr. R. B. Hess, Jr.) F. Dettori replaced J. Rosario (sick). Refund \$122,521.64

9th race #1 Enahm (Tr. J. Thomas) claimed by Tr. D. O’Neill - VOID
#8 Thirty Four Coupe (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) claimed by Tr. S. Miyadi
#9 Into It (Tr. R. Dutrow) J. Hernandez replaced J. Rosario (sick)

1/14/24⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	4,661	\$667,272.75
SCOTWinc	2,915	\$1,038,852.61
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$8,006,604.27
Total	7,576	\$9,712,729.63

MONDAY

1/15/24¹

SALDANA RULING ref 01-12-24²

The following ruling was issued pursuant to the complaint filed by the CHRB.

LATS Ruling #14

Following a hearing for Trainer REED SALDANA at Santa Anita Park on January 12, 2024, for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1484 (Evidence of Unfitness of License) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) the following ruling is issued in reciprocity after receiving notice from HIWU (Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit) Sanction EAD2023-13/EAD of Anti-Doping rule violation – Rule 3312 – Covered Horse ICE QUEEN dated December 6, 2023.

1. A period of Ineligibility of twenty-four (24) months, for you as a Covered Person commencing on July 6, 2023, the effective date of your Provisional Suspension, and ending on August 5, 2025 (to reflect that you were not Provisionally Suspended for a period of 31 days between July 29 and August 29, 2023).

2. Disqualification of the results that Ice Queen obtained on June 16, 2023, at Santa Anita Park and forfeiture of all purses (ADMC Program Rule 3221).
3. A fine of \$25,000 (ADMC Program Rule 3223).
4. Payment of \$12,000 of arbitration costs.
5. Public disclosure in accordance with Rule 3620 (ADMC Program rule 3231)

1/15/24²

VOIDED CLAIM

Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio performed a required examination of #5 Maven after the seventh race. The horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List, the Stewards voided the claim and the horse returned to the stable of trainer Ryan Hanson.

1/15/24³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race #1 Westward Look (Tr. P. Miller) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Deluhery
 #4 Perfectionistic (Tr. J. Sadler) F. Prat replaced J. Rosario (sick)
 #6 Give Me the Lute (S. Knapp) claimed by Tr. K. Mulhall
 Refund \$4674.24

2nd race No Changes; Refund \$0

3rd race #6 Heart Headed (Tr. J. Sadler) F. Prat replaced J. Rosario (sick)

4th race #2 Rainbows On Ice (Tr. A. Farias) E. Garcia replaced R. Ramirez (sick)
 #7 Air Force Thunder (Tr. J. Shirreffs) claimed by Tr. E. Moger, Jr.
 Refund \$96.00

5th race Changes; Refund \$148.32

6th race #1 Big Novel (Tr. J. Sadler) K. Kimura replaced J. Rosario (sick)
 #4 Liberal Lady (Tr. L. Powell) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio
 Refund \$1,202.14

7th race #3 Disko Tribute (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed by Tr. C. Dollase
 #5 Maven (Tr. R. Hanson) claimed by Tr. S. Knapp VOID

8th race 6 Issa Court (Tr. D. Pederson) claimed by Tr. R. B. Hess, Jr.

9th race No Changes; Refund \$0

1/15/24⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	6,267	\$599,658.55
SCOTWinc	1,973	\$707,721.23
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,863,010.79
Total	8,240	\$7,170,390.57

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 1/8/24 TO 1/14/24

Horses on Vet List	12
Horses off Vet List	10
Shock Wave Therapy	0
Fatalities	0
Medication	0

SUMMARY

	Fri 1/12	Sat 1/13	Sun 1/14	Mon 1/15	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	3	7	4	2	16	26
Claims	2	1	1	4	8	32
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	2
Inquiries	1	0	1	0	2	7
Refunds	6	5	4	4	19	78
Rulings	0	1	1	1	3	14
Voided Claims	0	0	1	1	2	7

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward

Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward

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