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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 the Week of Monday, January 22, through Sunday, January 28, 2024.**

**WEDNESDAY**1/24/24<sup>1</sup>**ENTRIES**

Steward GRANT BAKER was in on Wednesday to oversee entries for Saturday and program changes for Friday. The race office carded nine (9) races for Saturday.

**THURSDAY**1/25/24<sup>1</sup>**CATALAN CASE (case #23SA0080)**

A case against Groom MILTON CATALAN for violation of CHRB rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct) regarding an incident that occurred on April 23, 2023, at Santa Anita Park. Mr. Catalan was already suspended (LATC #18) for the same matter, for failing to appear back on July 8, 2023, at Los Alamitos Race Course.

1/25/24<sup>2</sup>**MULLINS RULING**

A ruling will be issued after Trainer JEFF MULLINS elected not to appear and accepted the penalty. Mr. Mullins failed to list his horse "Gabbysonholiday" as a gelding in the sixth race on October 14, 2023, at Santa Anita Park. The ruling will be issued tomorrow morning when our secretary is in the office.

1/25/24<sup>3</sup>**RINEHART (CASE #23SA0163)**

Groom JOHN RINEHART was scheduled to come in to answer to a complaint filed by the CHRB for rule violations of #1874(Disorderly Conduct) and #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Safety Officers). The CHRB filed a complaint for disorderly conduct when Mr. Rinehart was involved in a verbal argument with Santa Anita Park Security Officer's in the employee parking lot. After a realistic amount of time had passed, it was apparent that Mr. Rinehart was not going to appear. Therefore, a ruling will be issued tomorrow morning.

FRIDAY  
1/26/24<sup>1</sup>

**MULLINS RULING (Re: 1/25/24<sup>2</sup>)**

The following ruling was issued regarding Trainer JEFF MULLINS' hearing yesterday.

**LATS Ruling #17**

Trainer JEFF MULLINS, who entered the horse GABBYSONHOLIDAY, in the sixth race on October 14, 2023, at Santa Anita Park is fined One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1865 (Altering Sex of Horse - true sex not identified) necessitating a late declaration.

1/26/24<sup>2</sup>

**RINEHART RULING (Re: 1/25/24<sup>3</sup>)**

John Rinehart's ruling was issued following yesterday's hearing.

**LATS Ruling #18**

Groom JOHN RINEHART having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Santa Anita Park on or before January 25, 2024, is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer to charges alleging violation of CHRB rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers) and CHRB rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – threatening gestures toward security guard).

During the term of this suspension, all licenses and license privileges of JOHN RINEHART are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), the subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

1/26/24<sup>3</sup>

**APPRENTICE IN**

Apprentice Jockey JAY MCKAY was invited to our office after she failed to show up for her apprentice jockey mandatory film review. Ms. McKay stated that she was not feeling well and did not have a number to notify Racing Official Brice Blanc that she was not going to attend. We explained to her she can contact us and requested to be excused. Ms. McKay was issued a warning.

1/26/24<sup>4</sup>

**GOOD RACING**

The eight-race card had no major issues to report other than the declarations or changes listed below.

1/26/24<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	#1 Lovme Likeafol- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Bohannon, injured Refund \$741.14
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#5 Mr. Chivas- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Deluhery, sick Refund \$423.46
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#6 Buck Owens- VOIDED claim, returns to M. Valenzuela Jr., trainer Refund \$190.69
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	#3 Ghostly Act- Stewards' scratch- race day electric blanket use Refund \$1,420.26
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	#4 Duty First- VOIDED claim, returns to S. Knapp, trainer #8 Soul of Midnight- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Deluhery, injured Refund \$1,122.09
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	#7 Dousewhatisea- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick Refund \$526.41
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	#1 Direct Line- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Deluhery, sick Refund \$1,362.26
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Hapi Hapi- D. Herrera replaces E. Garcia, traffic #9 Erebus- A. Escobedo replaces I. Mesqueira, injured #12 Irish Heatwave- Stewards' scratch- Enter back Refund \$1,104.30

1/26/24<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	2,224	\$374,449.68
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	2,511	\$827,711.18
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$4,704,783.10
<b>TOTAL</b>	4,735	\$5,906,943.96

**SATURDAY**

1/27/24<sup>1</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey GEOVANNI FRANCO was in to review yesterday’s sixth race in which he attempted to push out turning for home making hard contact with the outside horse. After reviewing the footage several times, we unanimously voted to issue Mr. Franco a three-day suspension. Mr. Franco did not disagree and promised to do better in the future.

**LATS Ruling #19**

Jockey GEOVANNI FRANCO, who rode KING APOLLO in the sixth race at Santa Anita Park on January 26, 2024, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (February 3, 4 and 9 2024) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch, causing interference; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules-careless riding – first offense in the last sixty (60) days). Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

Jockey MARIO GUTIERREZ was in to review his ride in yesterday’s fourth race (1 mile turf) in which he crossed over going into the first turn, causing the horse inside of him to steady off heels of the leader. Mr. Gutierrez argued that the inside horse was at fault, we disagreed, in our opinion, it was Gutierrez's actions that resulted in a careless riding penalty. He was issued a three-day suspension.

**LATS Ruling #20**

Jockey MARIO GUTIERREZ, who rode BE PUNCTUAL in the fourth race at Santa Anita Park on January 26, 2024, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (February 3, 4 and 9 2024) for crossing over without sufficient clearance going into the first turn, causing interference; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules - careless riding). Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

1/27/24<sup>2</sup>

**STEWARDS’ INQUIRY/NO CHANGE (5<sup>th</sup> Race)**

We posted the inquiry sign to review the stretch run involving the #3 “Clements Ride” (H. Berrios 2<sup>nd</sup>), #1 “Run Bryce Run” (A. Fresu 4<sup>th</sup>) and the #8 “Takes Three” (J. Hernandez 5<sup>th</sup>). After speaking to the riders involved and reviewing the films, we made no change to the order of finish. In a unanimous opinion, we thought the #3 shifted out slightly causing the #1 to steady slightly and the #8 was lugging in and we felt he was not cost the opportunity of a better placing. Therefore, no change was warranted.

1/27/24<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$127.00
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #1 Magazine- Claimed by L. Powell, trainer Refund \$10.00
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #3 Fast Giselle- H. Berrios replaces A. Fresu, travel  
#5 Ice Queen- Stewards’ scratch- Possible contamination Refund \$551.69
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Dorie Miller- Claimed by J. Periban, trainer Refund \$200.41
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race #2 Kiss For Show- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Deluhery, injured  
#9 Jetfire- Stewards’ scratch- Possible contamination Refund \$2,108.50
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Judge Miller- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick  
#7 Rodrigoknows- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Deluhery, sick Refund \$3,265.71
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$300.82
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race #8 War At Sea- Stewards’ scratch- Stake Refund \$946.46

9<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Marks Hip- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick  
 #8 Stayincotal (IRE)- VOIDED claim, returns to P. Eurton, trainer  
 #10 Glovinazzo- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick Refund \$1,623.37

1/27/24<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	9,120	\$1,242,547.54
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	4,422	\$1,736,309.04
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$6,481,309.85
<b>TOTAL</b>	13,542	\$9,460,166.43

**SUNDAY**

1/28/24<sup>1</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockey HECTOR I. BERRIOS was in to view yesterday's fifth race in which he was involved in an inquiry about an incident in the stretch(turf). Mr. Berrios stated that his horse was difficult to handle and was lugging in. He was issued a warning to do better controlling his horse. Steward Sawyer voted for a suspension.

1/28/24<sup>2</sup>

**STEWARDS' REVIEW**

After the running of the second race, we conducted a Stewards' Review to look at the actions of the #3 NO SHOW JONES (A. Escobedo 5<sup>th</sup>) who checked at the 3/8's pole when the #1 TWILIGHT MOON (J. Rosario 3<sup>rd</sup>) crossed over into his path. After reviewing the race several times, we felt the incident did not warrant an inquiry since the #3 was beaten 33 lengths. Therefore, the race was made official.

1/28/24<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #7 Special Flower- Stewards' scratch- No workers compensation insurance Refund \$1,740.80  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$49.00  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$160.41  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race #4 John Dunbar- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick  
 #9 Man Overboard- Claimed by M Glatt, trainer Refund \$2,377.99  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$140.63  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race #2 Sherlyn Go Go- Claimed by E. Moger Jr., trainer Refund \$108.00  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race #8 Hot Hot Hot- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Deluhery, injured Refund \$2,172.44

1/28/24<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	5,144	\$720,351.35
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	2,924	\$1,052,214.03
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$5,973,259.92
<b>TOTAL</b>	8,068	\$7,745,825.30

**SUMMARY**

	<b>Fri 1/26</b>	<b>Sat 1/27</b>	<b>Sun 1/28</b>	<b>Week</b>	<b>Meet</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	3	2	1	6	35
<b>Claims</b>	3	4	3	10	42
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	0	0	0	2
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	1	0	1	8
<b>Refunds</b>	8	9	7	24	110
<b>Rulings</b>	2	2	0	4	20
<b>Voided Claims</b>	2	1	0	3	10

**VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 1/22/24 TO 1/28/24**

Horses on Vet List	18
Horses off Vet List	10
Shock Wave Therapy	0
Fatalities	1
Medication	0

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Grant Baker, Steward

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