

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**  
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**Cypress, California**  
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**Report for the Week of Wednesday, January 31 through Sunday, February 4, 2024.**

**WEDNESDAY**

1/31/24<sup>1</sup>

**DUTY STEWARD**

James Dreyer will navigate through morning chores as well as record the minutes during this reporting period.

1/31/24<sup>2</sup>

**CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book, maidens three years old, was used open. 1 Cal-bred.

1/31/24<sup>3</sup>

**THE DRAW**

Entries were a bit on the lean side however the racing department still managed to put together nine races.

**THURSDAY**

2/01/24<sup>1</sup>

**SCRATCHES**

One equipment and two rider changes completed Saturday's corrections.

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**THE DRAW**

Sunday evening's feature will be the Los Alamitos Maiden Stakes Trials going in five divisions.

**FRIDAY**

2/02/24<sup>1</sup>

**SCRATCHES**

Scratch time resulted in one equipment and two rider changes.

**SATURDAY**

2/03/24<sup>1</sup>

**RULING #20**

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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 CESAR ORTEGA, WHO RODE MONGOLIAN BOX IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 28, 2024, IS SUSPENDED FOR (1) DAY (FEBRUARY 10, 2024), AND FINED TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)\* FOR ONE (1) STRIKE OVER THE LIMIT.

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES); THE TERM OF SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES.

After watching Jockey Ortega breach the crop rule, the foregoing ruling was issued.

2/03/24<sup>2</sup>

**FILMS**

Jockey Adrian Escobedo came in to review Sunday’s third race with the Stewards. After a thorough examination of the incident away from the gate, the Stewards felt that Mr. Escobedo was a bit slow reacting. There were, however, a couple of factors over which he had no control which the Stewards felt exonerated him.

2/03/24<sup>3</sup>

**DR. BECK OUT FOR THE EVENING**

Dr. Fitzgerald will replace Dr. Beck tonight and Dr. Bryn Moser will fill the vacancy left by Dr. Fitzgerald.

2/03/24<sup>4</sup>

**THE RAIN WAITED**

We got through Saturday evening without incident or rain.

2/03/24<sup>5</sup>

**LATE DECLARATIONS**

3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#1 Seige The Day (A. Aquino) – sick – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$117.80
	#2 Pollo D’Oro (S. Morfin) – sick – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$62.96
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	#5 Two Twelve (S. Rivera) – unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$164.50
	#6 Crown Kitten (G. Vallejo) – unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$157.50
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	#3 Head For Business (S. Willoughby) – injured – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$187.60
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Apolitical Power (M. Arrossa) – injured in gate – Dr. Moser Refund \$22,295.84

2/03/24<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	598	\$75,265.70
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	N/A	\$312,771.10
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	1,169	\$865,720.30
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,767	\$1,253,757.10

**SUNDAY**

2/04/24<sup>1</sup>

**NO RACING**

Anticipating a very large storm pattern, Sunday’s program was canceled.

**SUMMARY**

	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat 2/03</b>	<b>Sun 2/04</b>	<b>Week</b>	<b>Meet</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	D	0	C	0	1
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	A	0	A	0	0
<b>Claims</b>	R	3	N	3	18
<b>Disqualifications</b>	K	0	C	0	4
<b>Inquiries</b>		0	E	0	7
<b>Refunds</b>	D	5	L	5	31
<b>Rulings</b>	A	5	E	5	20
<b>Voided Claims</b>	Y	0	D	0	8

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James Dreyer, Steward

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Tom Ward, Steward

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David Nuesch, Steward

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