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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Los Alamitos Race Course
Cypress, California
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Report for the Week of Wednesday, February 28 through Sunday, March 3, 2024.

WEDNESDAY2/28/24¹**DUTY STEWARD**

James Dreyer has this reporting periods day shift which includes authoring the minutes.

2/28/24²**CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book, maidens three years old, failed to fill.

2/28/24³**THE DRAW**

Three Los Alamitos Oaks Trials comprise one third of our nine race program for Saturday.

THURSDAY2/29/24¹**SCRATCHES**

Scratch time was unnecessary as Saturdays card was cancelled due to an impending front moving in.

2/29/24²**CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book, maidens three years old, again failed to fill.

2/29/24³**THE DRAW**

Los Alamitos will offer twelve races Sunday including three El Primero Del Ano Derby Trials and three Los Alamitos Oaks Trials.

2/29/24⁴**COMPLAINT #24LA0031**

Present at today's formal hearing were this Board of Stewards, investigator Barrett Halcromb presenting the case for the Board, Claudia Tovar translating for Jockey Jose Nicasio, Georgina Clevaca Mr. Nicasio's companion and court reporter Noemi Sandoval recorded the proceedings.

With the new section being added to rule #1902, we will be entering uncharted territory. Jockey Nicasio admitted to being on the property that the match races were being held at, but insisted he did not participate in any of the races. Unfortunately, the rule reads participation in, or presence at!

This testimony will be evaluated and a decision will be forthcoming.

FRIDAY

3/01/24¹

SCRATCHES

Scratch time resulted in one declaration and four rider changes.

SATURDAY

3/02/24¹

COMPLAINT #24LA0031

The above complaint was dismissed by a majority vote after a very lengthy discussion. The majority felt there just wasn't enough hard evidence to proceed. Steward Dreyer dissented stating that he felt a penalty should be assessed.

SUNDAY

3/03/24¹

RULING #27 (Refer 1/25/24-#1 and 2/17/24- #3)

Ruling #27

Owners Carolyn Kline and William Kline are suspended for failure to comply with Los Alamitos Quarter Horse Racing Association ruling #24, dated February 17, 2024 (failure to transfer ownership of the horses Marino Heat, Shake N Fries, and Tyrannical Rex to Robert Lucas, as ordered by Judicial Officer Ronald Klar of the Orange County Superior Court). The suspension(s) commences on March 4, 2024.

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Carolyn Kline and William Kline are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (jurisdiction of Stewards to suspend or fine). Carolyn Kline and William Kline are denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The above ruling was issued after William and Carolyn Kline failed to comply with Los Alamitos ruling #24 dated February 17, 2024.

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INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the second race to review the start. #1 Hot Pursuit (2nd – K. Camacho) started drifting out shortly after the break causing #2 Sir Laughalot (5th – B. Harvey), #3 Sparks Flyin (6th –A. Escobedo) and #4 Agrigento (8th – E. Hernandez) all to check losing any chance at a fair placing. After speaking to the riders and a thorough review of the films, the decision was unanimous to disqualify Hot Pursuit.

Original Order 8-(1)-6-5-2-3-7-4

Official Order 8-6-5-2-3-7-4-(1)

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CLAIM VOIDED

The second race claim of Sparks Flyin by trainer Jorge Farias was voided after he was placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. He was returned to trainer Jose Raudales.

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CLAIM VOIDED

The second race claim of Agrigento by trainer Sally Rivera was voided after he was placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. He was returned to trainer Jose Raudales.

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LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race #5 Zhivago (Tr. G. Greiner) – track condition – Stewards
 Refund \$422.10
 5th Race #4 Mister Mac (Tr. J. Flores) - sick – Dr. Fitzgerald
 Refund \$508.49
 8th Race #7 Relief Factor (Tr. A. Farias) – Flipped in gate – Stewards
 Refund \$22,768.79
 10th Race #3 Mooning Up (Tr. J. Aleman) - injured – Dr. Fitzgerald
 Refund \$379.60
 #7 Apolitical Power (Tr. M. Arrossa) – Flipped in gate – Stewards
 Refund \$7,175.18

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DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	803	\$97,261.70
SCOTWINC	1,195	\$220,663.60
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$1,515,156.80
TOTAL	1,998	\$1,833,082.10

SUMMARY

	Fri	Sat 3/02	Sun 3/03	Week	Meet
Accidents	D	C	0	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	0	0	0
Claims	R	N	1	1	26
Disqualifications	K	C	1	1	6
Inquiries		E	1	1	11
Refunds	D	L	5	5	58
Rulings	A	E	1	1	27
Voided Claims	Y	D	2	2	12

 James Dreyer, Steward

 Tom Ward, Steward

 David Nuesch, Steward

BOS:JD:ap