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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**  
**Los Alamitos Race Course**  
**Cypress, California**  
**TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**Report for the Week of Wednesday, May 8 through Sunday, May 12, 2024.**

**WEDNESDAY**5/08/24<sup>1</sup>**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward Ron Church was present to oversee entries for Saturday, May 11, 2024, and will record the minutes for this reporting period.

**THURSDAY**5/09/24<sup>1</sup>**ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Ron Church was once again present to oversee entries for Sunday, May 12, 2024, and changes to Saturday's program.

5/09/24<sup>2</sup>**ENTRY PANEL**

The entry panel met this morning to discuss Saturday's program. After reviewing all entries, there were no recommended panel scratches, and two horses were listed as a hard watch.

5/09/24<sup>3</sup>**SALVADOR NARANJO – (CASE #24LA0033)**

Trainer Salvador Naranjo participated in a telephonic hearing to address the complaint filed against him by the California Horse Racing Board, alleging a violation of CHRB rule #1846.2 (Training Soundness Examination).

Present, in addition to the Board of Stewards James Dreyer, Tom Ward and Ron Church, was California Horse Racing Board Investigator Stuart Ida who read the complaint into the record. Mr. Naranjo was advised of his rights to counsel and agreed to go forward without representation. According to the complaint Mr. Naranjo's horse Club Cal was turned out for a period exceeding 90 days and prior to returning to training was not examined by a regulatory veterinarian.

Mr. Naranjo testified that his attending veterinarian examined the five-year-old gelding prior to resuming training, but failed to have a regulatory veterinarian examine the horse. Mr. Naranjo accepted responsibility for the violation and the hearing was closed. Decision to follow.

**FRIDAY**  
5/10/24<sup>1</sup>

**ENTRY PANEL**

The entry panel met this morning to discuss Sunday's program. After reviewing all entries, the panel recommended to scratch #2 Piccola Fortuna from the first race for vet history.

5/10/24<sup>2</sup>

**SCRATCHES AND CHANGES**

Steward Ron Church was present to oversee scratches and changes to Sunday's program.

**SATURDAY**  
5/11/24<sup>1</sup>

**RULING #64**

**Ruling #64**

Jockey Oscar Andrade, Jr. is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(7)(Use of Riding Crop – more than two strikes in a row without giving the horse a chance to respond) while riding Jessica Cruz in the ninth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on May 5, 2024.

The above ruling was issued after jockey Rodrigo Aceves met with the Stewards on behalf of Mr. Andrade for a review of Mr. Andrade's use of the riding crop in the ninth race on May 5, 2024. After reviewing the video with Mr. Aceves, he agreed with the Stewards that Mr. Andrade violated the crop rule.

5/11/24<sup>2</sup>

**RULING #65**

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Trainer Salvador Naranjo is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1846.2 (Training Soundness Examination – failure to have horse examined by a regulatory veterinarian).

The foregoing ruling was issued after the Stewards considered the testimony presented during the informal hearing held on Thursday May 9, 2024 (Ref. 5/9/24<sup>3</sup>). The decision was unanimous.

5/11/24<sup>3</sup>

**RULING #66**

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Trainer Milton Pineda, having signed a SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL RELEASE with the California Horse Racing Board, is suspended for SIXTY (60) calendar days (May 13, 2024, through July 11, 2024) and fined FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), #1843.1 (Prohibited Drug Substances) and #1884 (Multiple Medication Violations).

The above ruling was issued after the Board of Stewards at Los Alamitos received a signed copy of the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release between Mr. Pineda and the California Horse Racing Board.

5/11/24<sup>4</sup>

**VOIDED CLAIM – 1<sup>ST</sup> RACE**

The claim submitted by trainer Satchel Stevens for #6 Longhorn Lassie (Trainer Jesus Mendoza) was voided by the Stewards after they were notified by Official Veterinarian Gary Beck that the filly was unsound and placed on the vet's list. Longhorn Lassie was returned the barn of Jesus Mendoza.

5/11/24<sup>5</sup>

**INQUIRY/NO CHANGE/5<sup>th</sup> RACE**

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign following the running of the fifth race for a review of an incident at the start involving #6 Marco Cartel (Ricardo Ramirez) unplaced and #5 Apollitical Wonder (Victor Salazar) who finished fifth. After reviewing the video of the race, the Stewards decided unanimously to make no change to the original order of finish.

The video shows #6 Marco Cartel breaks in sharply at the start and clips heels with #5 Apollitical Wonder causing #6 to stumble and unseat his rider. No other horses were involved in the incident.

5/11/24<sup>6</sup>

**DECLARATIONS/CHANGES/REFUNDS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Race #5 Abbey Oops (jockey J. Alcalá) – Replaced by E. Garcia  
#7 No Can Quit (Tr. J. Wallace) – Claimed by Tr. J. Nunez
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Race No Changes
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Race No Changes
- 4<sup>th</sup> Race #2 MJ Perry (jockey D. Morones) – Replaced by M. Arriaga
- 5<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Kingman Queen (Tr. J. Flores) – Sick- Dr. Fitzgerald - Refund: \$89.10
- 6<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes
- 7<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes
- 8<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes
- 9<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Ready For It (Tr. M. Arrossa) – Stake- Stewards – Refund: \$16,197.98

5/11/24<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	767	\$101,956.30
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	1,202	\$245,180.40
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$921,477.74
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,969	\$1,268,614.44

**SUNDAY**

5/12/24<sup>1</sup>

**RULING #67**

**Ruling #67**

Jockey Victor Salazar is suspended for THREE (3) RACING DAYS (May 19<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course, causing interference while riding Elsia in the sixth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on May 11, 2024. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (Riding Rules- Careless Riding).

Jockey Victor Salazar failed to meet with the Stewards as directed, to discuss his actions shortly after the start of the sixth race from Saturday May 11, 2024. Mr. Salazar’s mount drifted in several paths shortly after the start and made hard contact with an inside rival. After reviewing the video of the race, we decided unanimously that Mr. Salazar was too slow to correct the actions of his mount, and we issued the above ruling.

5/12/24<sup>2</sup>

**RULING #68**

**Ruling #68**

Jockey Martin Arriaga is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(7)(Use of Riding Crop – more than twice in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond) while riding Val Caruso in the seventh race at Los Alamitos Race Course on May 11, 2024.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Mr. Arriaga failed to meet with the Stewards, as directed, to review his use of the crop in the seventh race on Saturday May 11, 2024.

5/12/24<sup>3</sup>

**RULING #69**

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Jockey Barrington Harvey is suspended for THREE (3) RACING DAYS (May 19<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1688 (d) (3) (Use of Riding Crop – struck mount with the crop in the overhand position) while riding Lovely Colleen in the second race at Los Alamitos Race Course on May 11, 2024.

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Harvey and the Stewards reviewed the video of the second race on Saturday May 11, 2024. Mr. Harvey acknowledged he violated the crop rule and accepted the penalty imposed.

5/12/24<sup>4</sup>

**VOIDED CLAIM – RACE #3**

The claim submitted by trainer Jesus Uranga for #3 Beautyinthebeast (Trainer Angela Aquino) was voided by the Stewards after they were notified by Official Veterinarian Gary Beck that the mare was unsound and placed on the vet’s list. Beautyinthebeast was returned to the barn of Angela Aquino.

5/12/24<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS/CHANGES/REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #2 Flika’s Ride (Tr. G. Vallejo) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald - Refund: \$140.15  
 #7 Where Is Zizi (Tr. S. Morfin) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald - Refund: \$317.13  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Race #4 Let George Do It (Tr. J. Uranga) – Claimed by Tr. A. Aquino  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #1 Nice And True (Tr. J. Uranga) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald - Refund: \$50.60  
 #2 Measureofdevotion (Tr. B. Cunningham) Injured/Dr. Fitzgerald  
 Refund: \$40.43  
 #7 Auntie Bev (jockey J. Alcalá) – Replaced by K. Camacho  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Girth (Tr. R. Figueroa) – Stewards Scratch – No Rider - Refund \$2,125.32  
 #5 Natural Cat (Tr. A. Vuocolo) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald - Refund: \$85.60  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Mambacita (Tr. L. Diaz) – Injured - Dr. Fitzgerald - Refund: \$127.90  
 #5 Cutesy (Tr. S. Willoughby) – Stewards – Gate Scratch - Refund: \$42,822.15  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes

5/12/24<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	803	\$110,828.30
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	996	\$223,568.70
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$1,283,086.20
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,799	\$1,617,483.20

**SUMMARY**

	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat 5/11</b>	<b>Sun 5/12</b>	<b>Week</b>	<b>Meet</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	D	0	0	0	2
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	A	0	0	0	0
<b>Claims</b>	R	2	1	3	48
<b>Disqualifications</b>	K	0	0	0	13
<b>Inquiries</b>		1	0	1	25
<b>Refunds</b>	D	2	8	10	113
<b>Rulings</b>	A	3	3	6	69
<b>Voided Claims</b>	Y	1	1	2	22

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Ron Church, Steward

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Tom Ward, Steward

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James Dreyer, Steward

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