

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Los Angeles County Fair Summer Meet at Los Alamitos
Los Alamitos, California

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GENERAL DATA:

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Address: 4961 Katella Avenue
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Dates: Friday, June 22, 2024, through Sunday, July 7, 2024.
Total number of racing days is eight.

Races: Nine races a day unless otherwise designated.

Post time: 1:00 p.m. weekdays and weekends.

Scratch time: Regular scratch time will be at 10:00 a.m. the day after entries, unless otherwise noted. The deadline for scratches for stakes races, with the exception of overnight stakes races will be prior to the 3rd race or two hours before post time, whichever is longer.

Wagering: Minimum \$2 win, place and show wagering on every race; \$2 Rolling Doubles; \$1 Pick Three; \$1 Exactas on all races; \$1 Trifectas on all races; \$1 and 10 cent Superfecta on all qualifying races; \$1.00 Pick Three on races 6 thru 9 and final four races; \$0.50 Pick Four on early races 2 thru 5, and late daytime races 6 thru 9; \$2 Pick Six (with carryover) on final six races. \$1.00 Super High Five on every last race.

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Report for Monday, June 17, 2024, through Sunday, June 23, 2024

**MONDAY
6/17/24¹**

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Stewards Baker, Nuesch, Sawyer, and Safety Steward Luis Jauregui spent their day off participating in a ROAP/HISA/HIWU continuing education webinar that had about one hundred (100) people throughout the United States participating.

This webinar was an excellent opportunity for our group of Stewards to familiarize ourselves with the many changes in HISA rules that will be implemented July 8, 2024.

The following people presented comprehensive power point presentations for this webinar.

- A. Marc Guilfoil- HISA Director of Stewarding and State Racing Commission
- B. Ann McGovern- HISA Director of Racetrack Safety
- C. Dr. Jennifer Durenberger- HISA Director of Equine Safety and Welfare.

Other participants and/or speakers today included:

1. HISA CEO Lisa Lazarus
2. HISA Executive Director Ben Mosier
3. HIWU Chief of Operations Kate Mittelstadt
4. HISA System Integrity & Operations Assistance Erin McLaughlin
5. HISA Racing Safety Director-Jeff Johnston

Today's event was very well organized and informative. It was time well spent as this group of Stewards learned a lot about the current and future HISA rules.

TUESDAY

6/18/24¹

ENTRY DAY

Racing Secretary Jordan Castenda and his staff were on hand today constructing a racing card for opening day of the Los Angeles County Fair Meet at Los Alamitos. For this opening day Saturday June 22, 2024, card there will be nine (9) races. Sixty (60) horses are scheduled to start. Steward Kim Sawyer was overseeing all matters for the CHRB.

WEDNESDAY

6/19/24¹

ENTRY DAY

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Sunday June 23, 2024. Nine (9) races were drawn in the racing office. Sixty-one (61) horses are scheduled to start. Steward Kim Sawyer oversaw entries, scratches and other matters for the CHRB.

THURSDAY

6/20/24¹

SCRATCH DAY

Steward Kim Sawyer was on duty today overseeing scratches and changes for June 22, 2024. Steward Sawyer also participated on an "Entry Panel" conference call along with three (3) veterinarians.

FRIDAY

6/21/24¹

SCRATCH DAY

Scratch time for Sunday June 23 took place this morning in the racing office. Duty Steward Kim Sawyer was available in the Stewards' Office.

SATURDAY

6/22/24¹

KYLE FREY FILM REVIEW (REF: 6/16/24³)

Jockey Kyle Frey appeared in the Stewards office to review a ride from closing day at Santa Anita, Sunday June 16, 2024 (3rd Race). In this one (1) mile main track event, Jockey Frey was aboard third place finisher #5 Elector. This horse was in between two rivals in a final furlong stretch duel. #5 Elector was involved with bumping second place finisher #6 Arrogates Spirit (Victor Espinoza). There was some debate over Jockey Frey's culpability involving the contact. The Stewards showed Jockey Frey all angles of the incident which culminated in a Stewards' Inquiry (REF: 6/16/24³) at Santa Anita.

After a lengthy film review Jockey Frey was issued a warning. Our decision was unanimous.

6/22/24²

EDWIN MALDONADO FILM REVIEW (REF: 6/16/24³)

Jockey Edwin Maldonado appeared in the Stewards' office to review his winning ride in the third race on Sunday June 16, 2024 at Santa Anita Park. In this one (1) mile main track event Jockey Maldonado drifted out twice between the 1/16th mile marker and the finish line. His errant path slightly bothered third place finisher #5 Elector (Kyle Frey). Jockey Maldonado reviewed all camera angles of the race with the Stewards. He accepted full responsibility for not keeping his horse straight in the stretch drive. In a unanimous decision the Stewards issued a "warning" for this ride.

6/22/24³

GOOD RACING

Today's nine (9) race opening day card went well as it was free of Stewards' Inquiries and /or Jockey objections.

6/22/24⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

4th Race Jockey Changes #3 Sent by Angels K. Frey for T. Baze - Injured #7 Spicy Spouse A. Escobedo for F. Orduna-Rojas - Late to Jockey's Room
4th Race #8 Ace Ace Baby (Tr. J. Periban) claimed, S. Knapp, trainer
6th Race #6 Petesoldfashioned, (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed, H. Palma, trainer
7th Race NO SHOW WAGERING
7th Race Jockey Change #2 Schwarzmeir A. Fresu for T. Baze—Injured
7th Race Declaration #5 Marsh Creek (Tr. B. Baffert) Sick-Tim Grande DVM REFUND: \$1,016.70
9th Race Declarations #2 Dick Best (Tr. L. Barocio) Late Scratch- Steward #5 Tom Horn (Tr. S. Miyadi) Stake- Stewards. REFUND \$4,464.89
9th Race Wagering Cancel \$1 Super High 5

6/22/24⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	1,399	\$422,764.51
SCOTWINC	3,566	\$1, 286,524.76
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$4, 835,956.01
TOTAL	4,965	\$6,545,245.28

SUNDAY

6/23/24¹

EDGAR PAYERAS RULING

In the first race, yesterday June 22, Jockey Edgar Payeras rode #3 Wishtheyallcouldbe in a 5 ½ furlong race. The Stewards observed Jockey Payeras use his riding crop seven (7) times in this race. In lieu of meeting with the Stewards the following day, he waived his right to a hearing and accepted the following penalty.

RULING #01

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 EDGAR PAYERAS, who rode WISHTHEYALLCOULDBE in the first race at Los Alamitos Race Course on June 22, 2024, is suspended for ONE (1) day (June 30, 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.

6/23/24²

FRANCISCO ORDUNA-ROJAS RULING

Yesterday June 22, Clerk of Scales Charles McCaul informed the Stewards that Jockey Francisco Orduna-Rojas had not reported to the Jockeys Room in a timely manner prior to the fourth race. He was scheduled to ride #7 Spicy Spouse but was replaced by Jockey Adrian Escobedo after the racing program for the day had begun at 1:00 p.m. The Stewards offered Jockey Orduna-Rojas an informal hearing to discuss the matter but he waived that right and accepted the following penalty.

RULING #02

Jockey FRANCISCO ORDUNA-ROJAS is fined FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1680 (Jockeys and Drivers to Report – late to Jockey quarters) on June 22, 2024 at Los Alamitos Race Course.

6/23/24³

WELFIN ORANTES FILM REVIEW

Apprentice Jockey Welfin Orantes appeared in the Stewards' Office to review his ride in the sixth race yesterday June 22. Apprentice Orantes was aboard #1 Vegas Moon, who finished seventh (last) in this race. Today's film review shows Apprentice Orantes use his riding crop seven (7) times during this 5 ½ furlong event. Along with going over the strike limit, this horse was out of contention for most of this race. The Stewards spent a significant amount of time reviewing the HISA riding crop rule. In a unanimous decision the following ruling was issued.

RULING #03

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), Apprentice Jockey WELFIN ORANTES, who rode VEGAS MOON in the sixth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on June 22, 2024, is suspended for ONE (1) day (June 30, 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.

6/23/24⁴

FIFTH RACE ACCIDENT/INQUIRY/ DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign after viewing a two-horse accident at about the 3 ½ furlong marker. While racing in mid-pack approaching the far turn, original second place finisher #6 Mischievous Dylan (Barrington Harvey) drifts in and makes contact with #5 Paislees Promise (John Valenzuela Jr.). #6 Mischievous Dylan drifts again crossing in front of #5 Paislees Promise and causing that rival to clip heels. #5 Paislees Promise stumbled and unseated Jockey John Valenzuela Jr. A trailing horse appeared to strike Jockey Valenzuela.

The Stewards spoke to Jockey Barrington Harvey following the race. Jockey Valenzuela Jr. was immediately attended to by track paramedics and transported to a local hospital for further evaluation. #5 Paislees Promise was captured by an outrider and reported to be in good condition following the race.

In a unanimous decision #6 Mischievous Dylan was disqualified and placed unplaced. Jockey Barrington Harvey was ordered to film review with the Stewards.

ORIGINAL ORDER OF FINISH 1-6-2-3-4-5DNF

OFFICIAL ORDER OF FINISH 1-2-3-4-5DNF-6 unplaced

6/23/24⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

1st Race Declaration #2 Power Trip (Tr. A. Farias) Sick- Tim Grande DVM
REFUND: \$379.75

1st Race Jockey Change #3 Wherever You Are K. Frey for T. Baze—Injury

3rd Race Declaration #6 Keep Dancin Nick (Tr. S. Miyadi) Sick - Dr. Pattio VMD
 4th Race Declarations #2 Mastermind (Tr. L. Barocio) Sick-Nolton Pattio VMD
 #3 Wine and Whiskey (Tr. L. Barocio) Stewards REFUND \$1,354.12
 6th Race Declarations #6 C'Mon Man (Tr. S. Knapp) Injured-Nolton Pattio VMD
 REFUND: \$494.18
 6thRace Jockey Change #7 Playing Hardball A. Cedillo for T. Baze ---Injury
 8th Race #6 Sabres (Tr. R. Hanson) claimed, S. Morfin, trainer
 9th Race Declarations #4 Sunrise Journey (Tr. L. Barocio) ---Stewards
 #8 Instinct D'Oro (Tr. S. Morfin) sick-Dr. Grande REFUND \$2,212.96
 9th Race Jockey Change #3 Belly Up J. Talamo for T. Baze---Injured

6/23/24⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	1,252	\$309,885.34
SCOTWINC	3,113	\$1,155,096.70
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$4,264,736.35
TOTAL	4,365	\$5,729,718.39

SUMMARY

	Sat 6/22	Sun 6/23	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	1	1	1
Cal-Bred Races	3	1	4	4
Claims	2	1	3	3
Disqualifications	0	1	1	1
Inquiries	0	1	1	1
Refunds	1	7	8	8
Rulings	0	3	3	3
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 6/17/24 TO 6/23/24

Horses on Vet List 10
 Horses off Vet List 6
 Shock Wave Therapy 1
 Fatalities 0
 Medication 0

Grant Baker, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

David Nuesch, Steward

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