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Report for the Week of Wednesday, June 26 through Sunday, June 30, 2024.

WEDNESDAY6/26/24¹**DUTY STEWARD/ SATURDAY ENTRIES**

Tom Ward is in the office this week. The Racing Office put together an eight race program for Saturday, with a number of maiden races on tap. Ward will be writing minutes for this reporting period.

THURSDAY6/27/24¹**SUNDAY ENTRIES/ SATURDAY PANEL**

Entries for the Sunday card are being taken this morning, with management hoping for an eight race card to offer the public. The Los Alamitos panel met this morning to discuss entries for the Saturday card. There were no "Hard Watch" horses. Scratch time came and went with only a flipping halter addition.

6/27/24²**HEARING DAY**

Two hearings were held this morning, as trainers Adan Farias and Jose Raudales appeared in response to complaints alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1846.2 (Racing Soundness Exam)

Mr. Farias testified that he was unaware of the rule when his horse Valiant Knight worked on January 2nd of this year. He did have a slip from his attending veterinarian attesting that the horse was physically fit to work, but not one from a regulatory vet.

Mr. Raudales' horse, Haute Chaulkolatte, had been off for almost a year and the trainer testified that it was not until after he received the complaint from the Board that he realized the rule was in place. The rulings will be finalized this weekend.

We have adjudicated numerous complaints for violations of rule #1846.2, and, with one exception, the comments have been the same – the trainers were not aware of the rule change. Whether it is just a coincidence or whether the new rule was not disseminated widely enough is something that comes to mind.

FRIDAY
6/28/24¹

SUNDAY SCRATCHES AND PANEL

The Los Alamitos Panel met this morning, with one horse being scratched. In race two, #2 Big Rainbow was scratched as the horse was entered for \$2,500.00 after breaking her maiden at Santa Anita for \$50,000.00 and then being competitive in a \$32,000.00 race for winners. The trainer, Ryan Hanson, was fairly aggressive when apprised of the concerns, but came on board when the reasons for the concerns were explained. Otherwise, jockey and equipment changes completed "scratch" time.

SATURDAY
6/29/24¹

RULINGS

Ruling #91

Trainer Adan Farias is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1846.2 (Training Soundness Examination).

Ruling #92

Trainer Jose Raudales is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1846.2 (Training Soundness Examination).

These rulings were issued to finalize complaints against the two trainers.

6/29/24²

RULING

Ruling #93

Groom Gabriel B. Carranza is suspended for failure to comply with Los Alamitos Quarter Horse Racing Association ruling #70, dated May 18, 2024 (failure to abide by Winners Foundation). The suspension to commence on July 1, 2024.

The foregoing ruling was issued as Mr. Carranza has not been in contact with Winners Foundation, nor has he attended any meetings.

6/29/24³

RULING

Ruling #94

Exercise Rider Jose G. Lopez is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases not covered by rules and regulations-failing to pull his mount up while the sirens and warning lights were activated).

Mr. Lopez was fined as we were in receipt of a citation from security which named him as one of three exercise riders who failed to pull up their horses when the emergency lights and sirens were activated.

6/29/24⁴

RIDERS EXCUSED

Francisco Orduna-Rojas was excused from his mount in the second race due to illness. A replacement rider was named. Later in the card, Jairo Rangel was excused for the same reason.

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REFUND

A refund was ordered in the second race as #1 Not Gonna Last was "off" in the right foreleg during warm up and declared on the recommendation of Racing Veterinarian Moser. The refund amounted to \$7,063.42.

6/29/24⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	817	\$115,253.70
SCOTWINC	1,166	\$277,174.20
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$989,177.40
TOTAL	1,983	\$1,381,605.30

SUNDAY
6/30/24¹

EARLY DECLARATIONS

1st Race #3 Plum Creek (Vet-injured) Refund of \$153.55
 3rd Race #3 Equipo A (Starter-On list) Refund of \$370.68
 7th Race #3 Apolitical Suze (Vet-sick) Refund of \$726.80

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RIDERS EXCUSED

Jockey Erick Garcia was excused from his mounts this evening due to illness, while jockey Efrain Hernandez was excused tonight as he was involved in an automobile accident while on his way to the track. Replacement riders were named.

6/30/24³

CLAIM VOIDED

A claim from the third race, #1 Thunderheart, deposited by trainer Roman Figueroa, was voided as the horse was unsound in the left foreleg during its time in the detention barn. The horse was returned to the barn of trainer Jesus Uranga.

6/30/24⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	570	\$89,628.80
SCOTWINC	911	\$208,180.00
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$1,106,856.22
TOTAL	1,481	\$1,404,665.02

SUMMARY

	Fri	Sat 6/29	Sun 6/30	Week	Meet
Accidents	D	0	0	0	2
Cal-Bred Races	A	0	0	0	0
Claims	R	1	1	2	64
Disqualifications	K	0	0	0	14
Inquiries		0	0	0	31
Refunds	D	1	3	4	150
Rulings	A	4	0	4	94
Voided Claims	Y	0	1	1	24

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