

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Del Mar, California
TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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Report for the Week of Wednesday, August 20, 2024, through Sunday, August 25, 2024.

TUESDAY8/20/24¹**DARK DAY**

Steward Jauregui was available to supervise declarations and approve program changes for Thursday.

WEDNESDAY8/21/24¹**DARK DAY**

Again, Luis Jauregui was present to oversee entries for Saturday (10 races) and approve changes to Friday's eight race program.

THURSDAY8/22/24¹**QUARTERLY STEWARDS' COMMITTEE MEETING**

In attendance for the meeting, via Microsoft Teams were, Chairman Dr. Greg Ferraro, Commissioners Brenda Washington Davis, Dennis V. Alfieri, Executive Director Scott Chaney, Chief Steward Darrel McHargue, CHRB General Counsel Robert Brodrik and CHRB Chief, Enforcement Division Marc Shaw. Almost all CHRB contracted Stewards in California were available for the gathering. Topics listed on the agenda were thoroughly discussed, opinions were shared, and direction was given.

8/22/24²**SAN LUIS REY TRAINING CENTER CITATION**

Alberto Aguero met with the Stewards along with San Luis Rey Training Center Security Manager Hector Feliciano to hear a citation issued for smoking outside his living quarters at the training center. The only place smoking is allowed is in the parking lot outside the stable gate. Mr. Aguero was very candid in admitting he was guilty and his penalty will be issued in following ruling.

DMTD RULING #27

Groom ALBERTO AGUERO is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1928(Fire Regulations – smoking in the barn area) which occurred at San Luis Rey Training Center on July 29, 2024.

8/22/24³

GOOD RACING

The eight-race card was performed without notable mishap. Changes made are listed below.

8/22/24⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race #4 Deeply Hidden (Tr. K. Swezey) Refund: \$2,358.80
- 2nd Race #3 Sigiloso (Tr. A. Sanchez) claimed by Tr. V. Cerin
#8 Harry's Onthefly (Tr. S. Wilensky) claimed by Tr. O. J. Jauregui.
Refund: \$19.00
- 3rd Race #3 Prince of Power (Tr. L. Barocio) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio. Refund: \$150.98
- 4th Race No Changes Refund: \$66.50
- 5th Race #1 Gypsy Lynn (Tr. K. Swezey) claimed by Tr. R. DeLeon Refund: \$176.52
- 6th Race #3 Living Life (Tr. R. Ellis) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Cassady
#4 Offlee Naughty (Tr. M. McCarthy) claimed by Tr. P. D'Amato
#7 City Exile (GB) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Cassady
#8 Calm Sea (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) claimed by Tr. J. Periban
Refund: \$3,126.24
- 7th Race #4 Mucino (Tr. D. O'Neill) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Cassady Refund: \$1,354.81
- 8th Race #1 Rhino (Tr. D. Blacker) claimed by Tr. R. DeLeon
#9 Jack Kerouac (Tr. P. D'Amato) claimed by Tr. P. Miller Refund: \$0.00

8/22/24⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	6,710	\$812,152.19
SCOTWINC	N/A	\$1,770,952.13
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$5,411,300.08
TOTAL	8,755	\$7,994,404.40

FRIDAY

8/23/24¹

CHAPARRO RULING CASE 24LT0008

The following ruling was issued after the BOS received confirmation of the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release between Veterinarian Cecilia Chaparro and the California Horse Racing Board.

DMTD RULING #28

Pursuant to a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release with the California Horse Racing Board, Veterinarian CECILIA CHAPARRO, for failure to pay a fine (LAQL #88 6/16/24) and failed to report an examination of the horse "RED CROSS KNIGHT" in a timely manner at Los Alamitos Race Course is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1481 (Occupational Licenses) and Rule #1842 (Veterinarian Report).

8/23/24²

SMOOTH SAILING

Yesterday's card was performed without a ripple. Changes made are listed below.

8/23/24³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race #5 Haywood (Tr. S. Sherman) claimed by Tr. D. O'Neill
#7 Always On Cay (Tr. R. B. Hess, Jr.) claimed by Tr. S. Knapp
- 2nd Race #5 Castle Leoch (Tr. R. Baltas) claimed by Tr. M. Glatt Refund: \$0.00
- 3rd Race No Changes Refund: \$6.72
- 4th Race No Changes Refund: \$86.90

5th Race #4 Sky Sailing (Tr. A. Garcia) Stewards-entered back Refund: \$482.70
 6th Race No Changes Refund: \$2,342.06
 7th Race #6 Logon to Win (Tr. C. De Alba) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Cassady
 Refund: \$802.28
 8th Race #1 Harper's Gallop (Tr. L. Powell) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Cassady
 #2 Big Mama Sue (Tr. P. Aguirre) claimed by Tr. S. Miyadi Refund: \$2,221.90

8/23/24⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	6,313	\$929,367.26
SCOTWINC	N/A	\$3,186,672.05
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$6,546,900.34
TOTAL	9,458	\$10,662,939.65

SATURDAY

8/24/24¹

CASTANEDA RECORDED HEARING CASE 24DM0016

The CHRB filed a complaint against Jockey Valet Rafael Castaneda for alleged violation of CHRB rule 1874 (Disorderly Conduct).

The complaint reads as follows:

Jockey Valet Rafael Castaneda crashed a motorized scooter while on duty, into a parked vehicle while working. Castaneda consented to a BAC test and his test results showed a BAC of 0.07.

Present before the BOS were, Rafael Castaneda, his Union Representative, Allied Division (SEIU-USWW), Matthew Harden and CHRB Investigator Octavio Vergara, Jr. and CHRB Investigator Anne Dillon, jockey Jose Valdivia, Jr. testified as a character witness. Testimony was heard, all evidence was submitted into the record including a video of the incident and the hearing closed. Decision to follow.

8/24/24²

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

Abel Cedillo met with the Stewards to review the first turn in the second race one mile turf event. After a complete review of the race, Mr. Cedillo was warned by the majority to be more cautious of the clearance of another rival while crossing over. Mr. Jauregui voted for a three-day suspension.

8/24/24³

QUIET AFTERNOON

Again, a much-appreciated uneventful day of racing. Changes made are listed below.

8/24/24⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race #4 Authentic Spirit (Tr. B. Baffert) DNF Refund: \$472.50
 2nd Race No Changes Refund: \$446.89
 3rd Race #3 Tahoe Sunrise (Tr. B. Baffert) claimed by Tr. S. Wilensky
 #4 Cowboy Mike (Tr. B. Baffert) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Bohannon
 #6 Baladi (Tr. H. Palma) claimed by Tr. C. Dollase
 #8 Redline (Tr. C. Dollase) claimed by Tr. D. O'Neill Refund: \$3,339.25
 4th Race #1 Tahiti Iti (Tr. J. Shirreffs) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio
 #5 Rehearsal (IRE) (Tr. P. D'Amato) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Cassady
 Refund: \$3,696.97
 5th Race #6 Asian Matriarch (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed by Tr. E. Moger, Jr. Refund: \$176.41
 6th Race #2 Mission Beach (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed by Tr. L. Powell
 #3 Invincible (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. D. Pederson
 #9 Island Cruiser (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed by Tr. D. O'Neill Refund: \$494.41
 7th Race #4 Bajan Bashert (Tr. M. Glatt) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Bohannon
 #8 Uptown Preacher (Tr. C. Gaines) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Bohannon

8th Race #9 Winter Snow (Tr. T. Yakteen) claimed by Tr. J. Mullins Refund: \$3,724.10
 #3 Avoir (Tr. P. Miller) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Cassady
 #10 Gem Mine (Tr. R. Baltas) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Bohannon
 Refund: \$2,120.04
 9th Race No Changes Refund: \$268.00
 10th Race #1 I'llhaveanotherwon (Tr. D. O'Neill) Stewards-medicated Refund: \$2,984.87

8/24/24⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	12,024	\$1,794,745.84
SCOTWINC	N/A	\$5,408,527.09
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$10,112,838.85
TOTAL	17,779	\$17,316,111.78

SUNDAY

8/25/24¹

FILM REVIEW

Armando Ayuso met with the Stewards to review his drift in the stretch in the sixth race yesterday. It was refreshing to hear his accountability and he left the office with a unanimous warning.

8/25/24²

ROBERTS HEARING CASE 24DM0012

The CHRB filed a complaint for KC Horse Transport, Inc. per CHRB rule 1876 (Financial Responsibility) against owner Frank Roberts. The complaint reads as follows:

Frank Roberts is the owner of DANGERELLA (Foaled in 2019). KC Horse Transport sent owner Frank Roberts an invoice on March 3, 2024, for transportation services for DANGERELLA from Santa Anita Park to Golden Gate Field in the amount of \$500.00. The invoice was due April 3, 2024, and copies of the outstanding invoice was sent on April 30, 2024, May 30, 2024, and June 19, 2024. Frank Roberts was advised of the outstanding bill on July 25, 2024, and he disputed the invoice due to never having his horse shipped to Golden Gate Field. KC Horse Transport corrected the invoice on July 31, 2024, to reflect the transportation services being from Santa Anita Park to Turf Paradise. KC Horse Transport sent the corrected invoice via Certified US Mail which was returned "refused." Mr. Roberts continues to have an outstanding balance of \$500.00 for transportation services owed to KC Horse Transport since March 2024 and continuing until present day.

Mr. Roberts failed to appear for the scheduled hearing. A ruling will be issued Thursday.

8/25/24³

HERNANDEZ RULING

The following ruling was issued after Winners Foundation Executive Director Darin Scharer notified the BOS that Mr. Hernandez was now in compliance with the requirements set forth by the Foundation.

DMTD RULING #29

Groom JOSE MIGUEL HERNANDEZ having now complied with the recommendation of the Winners Foundation is restored to good standing and California Horse Racing Board DMTD Ruling #24 dated August 16, 2024 is set aside.

8/25/24⁴

CASTANEDA RULING

The following ruling was issued after much debate post hearing. The majority believed the penalty issued in the following ruling was appropriate. Steward Jauregui believed a reduced penalty should have been applied.

DMTD RULING #30

Jockey Valet/Exercise Rider RAFAEL CASTANEDA is suspended FIFTEEN (15) days (August 26, 2024 thru September 9, 2024) for violation of California Horse Racing Board

Rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – Crashed on motorized scooter under the influence during races) on July 27, 2024 at Del Mar Race Track.

Furthermore, RAFAEL CASTANEDA must be evaluated by the Winners Foundation, abide by the terms set by their recommendations, and sign and adhere to a testing agreement at all times while holding a license with the California Horse Racing Board.

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of RAFAEL CASTANEDA are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend and Fine)* RAFAEL CASTANEDA is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

8/25/25⁵

MACY RULING

The following ruling was issued after trainer Ricky Agarie reported Mr. Macy had not complied with the terms set in a financial agreement signed on August 18, 2024.

DMTD RULING #31

Owner MICHAEL J. MACY, having failed to abide by the terms of a financial agreement signed on August 18, 2024, is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility- to Trainer Ricky Agarie- \$3,500.00).

During the term of suspension, all licenses of MICHAEL MACY are suspended, and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), MICHAEL MACY is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction. Suspension to commence on September 1, 2024.

8/25/24⁶

INQUIRY /NO CHANGE /EIGHTH RACE -6 ½ dirt

The inquiry sign was posted to review an incident in the stretch. Involved were #2 Chismosa (T. Pereira 2nd) and #7 Anywho (J. Hernandez 3rd). In a majority opinion #2 while passing #7 brushed that one slightly which did not affect the final placing. Steward Jauregui voted for a disqualification of #2 from second to third.

8/25/24⁷

VOIDED CLAIM

After a physical examination of #4 Alexis S in the second race by Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List. The Stewards voided the claim and the horse returned to the stable of trainer Sandino Hernandez, Jr.

8/25/24⁸

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1 st Race	No Changes Refund: \$0.00
2 nd Race	#4 Alexis S (Tr. S. Hernandez, Jr.) claimed by Tr. S. Calvario—VOID #9 Yes He Can (Tr. L. Rivera) claimed by Tr. G. Lopez Refund: \$0.00
3 rd Race	No Changes Refund: \$0.00
4 th Race	#1 Gracie's Big Day (Tr. E. Freeman) claimed by Tr. R. Ellis #6 Don't Tell Tammo (Tr. P. Eurton) claimed by Tr. P. Aguirre Refund: \$87.50
5 th Race	No Changes Refund: \$319.60
6 th Race	#4 Ur in Trouble (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. R. Hanson #8 Cheeky Gal (Tr. P. Miller) Stewards-owner did not want to run #10 We'll Do It Live (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed by Tr. S. Williams Refund: \$1,930.65
7 th Race	#1 Spirit Maker (Tr. S. Miyadi) claimed by Tr. V. Garcia #3 Handy Dandy (Tr. R. B. Hess, Jr.) claimed by Tr. M. Ortiz, Sr. Refund: \$21.00
8 th Race	#3 Ascendancy (Tr. O. J. Jauregui) Stewards – stake Refund: \$517.70
9 th Race	#1 Mysterious Husband (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. M. Glatt #11 The Old Nine (IRE) (Tr. R. Baltas) claimed by Tr. J. Sadler Refund: \$0.00

8/25/24⁹

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	7,634	\$1,181,141.89
SCOTWINC	N/A	\$3,691,418.05
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$10,036,548.20
TOTAL	12,164	\$14,909,108.14

SUMMARY

	Thur 8/22	Fri 8/23	Sat 8/24	Sun 8/25	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	4
Cal-Bred Races	0	1	3	2	6	45
Claims	7	4	8	9	28	131
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	3
Inquiries	0	0	0	1	1	15
Refunds	7	6	10	5	28	144
Rulings	1	1	0	3	5	31
Voided Claims	0	0	0	1	1	16

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 8/19/24 TO 8/25/24

Horses on Vet List	23
Horses off Vet List	14
Shock Wave Therapy	5
Fatalities	1
Medication	0
Claims Voided:	1

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward

Lui Jauregui, Steward

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