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## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, INC Arcadia, California**

### TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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Darrel McHargue, Chief Steward

**Report for Monday, October 7, through Monday, October 14, 2024.**

### **WEDNESDAY**

10/09/24<sup>1</sup>

#### **ENTRY DAY**

Racing Secretary Jason Egan and his staff were on duty in the racing office, taking entries for Saturday October 12, 2024. Nine (9) races will be carded. Seventy-one (71) horses are scheduled to start. Steward Luis Jauregui oversaw all matters today for the California Horse Racing Board.

### **THURSDAY**

10/10/24<sup>1</sup>

#### **DR. VINCE BAKER COMPLAINT/HEARING POSTPONED (CASE #24SA0107)**

A complaint filed against Private Veterinarian Vince Baker was scheduled to be heard today. Dr. Baker has allegedly violated CHRB Rule #1842 Veterinary Report (20) counts. This hearing was originally scheduled to be heard at Los Alamitos Race Course on September 12, 2024. At that time Dr. Baker requested and was granted a continuance. The cover page of today's complaint reads as follows.

*An audit of workouts performed at Santa Anita Park in June 2024 showed twenty (20) timed workouts performed by trainer John Sadler did not have clearance examinations by the attending veterinarian recorded in EquiTAPS. Upon further review of the records and statements provided by attending veterinarian D. Vincent Baker, the lack of examination records in EquiTAPS was attributed to Dr. Baker either not recording the examinations on his handwritten Confidential Report, his assistant not uploading his examination into EquiTAPS, or glitches with the EquiTAPS system which failed to record the concerned examinations.*

Trainer John Sadler was recently issued a subpoena by the CHRB to appear for this case. He called the Stewards Office today and requested time to contact his attorney before testifying for this matter. The Stewards spoke with Dr. Vince Baker and

Investigator Hiroshi Yokoyama. This case has now been continued to October 24, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. More to follow.

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

**TITO JIMENEZ INFORMAL HEARING**

Groom Tito Jimenez appeared in our office to address two (2) rulings that involved him last summer. Groom Jimenez was fined \$100 (REF: LAFL Ruling #7—Rule #1874-Disordrly Conduct—Alcohol) at Los Alamitos. On July 7, 2024, was suspended (REF: LAFL Ruling #13) for failing to be evaluated by the Winners Foundation as addressed ordered in this ruling.

Tito Jimenez was joined today by Omar Lizarrga and Darin Scharer from the Winners Foundation. Stewards Baker, Jauregui and Sawyer heard this matter. Mr. Lizarrga and Mr. Scharer stated that Mr. Jimenez is doing very well regarding current compliance with their organization. More to follow.

**FRIDAY**

10/11/24<sup>1</sup>

**TITO JIMENEZ RULING (REF: 10/10/24 (2))**

The following ruling was issued today reinstating the license privileges of Groom Tito Jimenez. Mr. Jimenez appeared in our office yesterday with two (2) representatives from the Winners Foundation. Those officials told us that Groom Jimenez is currently complying with their recommendations. He has a groom position waiting for him at San Luis Rey Downs. We wish him well.

**LATC RULING #13**

Groom TITO JIMENEZ, having complied with the terms of LAFL Ruling #13 issued at Los Alamitos Race Course on July 7, 2024, is reinstated and his license is restored to good standing. Furthermore, Mr. Jimenez must remain in compliance with the recommendations set forth by the Winners Foundation.

10/11/24<sup>2</sup>

**CTT INFORMAL MEETING**

California Thoroughbred Trainers Executive Director Alan Balch and President Eoin Harty stopped by our office today. They wanted to express their concern regarding a couple of alleged incidents involving Post Time Insurance here at Santa Anita. Mr. Balch and Mr. Harty said they would keep us informed regarding their matters of interest.

10/11/24<sup>3</sup>

**MARK GLATT RULING**

On Wednesday October 9<sup>th</sup> Trainer Mark Glatt called the Stewards' office. He told the Duty Steward that his trainee 'Miss Will', who was scheduled to run in the first race today, was inadvertently medicated earlier this week. The following ruling was issued after this horse was scratched from today's first race.

**LATC RULING #14**

Trainer MARK GLATT, who was scheduled to start MISS WILL in the first race on October 11, 2024, at Santa Anita Park, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – medication).

10/14/24<sup>4</sup>

**TIM YAKTEEN RULING**

Trainer Tim Yakteen informed the Stewards that his owner did not want to run #6 Candyinthemorning into today's fifth race. This late scratch reduced this race to seven (7) starters. In a unanimous decision the Stewards issued the following ruling.

### **LATC RULING #15**

Trainer TIM YAKTEEN, who was scheduled to start CANDYINTHEMORNING in the fifth race on October 11, 2024, at Santa Anita Park, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – owner didn't want to run).

10/11/24<sup>5</sup>

### **REYLU GUTIERREZ FILM REVIEW/RULING (REF: 10/6/24<sup>3</sup>)**

An informal film review hearing was scheduled for Jockey Reyly Gutierrez, Jockey Gutierrez was aboard # 5 Artisas in the \$100,000 Guaranteed Zuma Beach Stakes (Grade III), that was contested at one mile on the turf, Sunday, October 6. This jockey/horse combo finished first but were disqualified and placed third.

Jockey Gutierrez is currently riding in Kentucky and did not appear for today's hearing. After he participated in the eighth race last Sunday he was told, thru Assistant Clerk of Scales Charlie McCaul, to send a representative for today's hearing, if he was unable to appear. He did neither and opted to call us in our office today instead. He pled guilty to careless riding as he drifted out and interfered with two (2) rivals in the final furlong of the race in question.

Jockey Gutierrez was suspended for three (3) racing days at Del Mar on August 11, 2024 (REF: DMTD Ruling #21). For his second careless riding violation in the last sixty (60) days the following ruling was issued. The decision was unanimous.

### **LATC RULING #16**

Jockey REYLU GUTIERREZ, who rode ARTISIAS in the eighth at Santa Anita Park on October 6, 2024, is suspended for FOUR (4) racing days (October 18, 19, 20 and 25, 2024), for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch, causing interference, resulting in a disqualification from first to third; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules - careless riding- second offense in the last 60 days).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

10/11/24<sup>6</sup>

### **STEWARDS FILL-IN**

Safety Steward David Nuesch worked a portion of the afternoons card, officiating the races in the Judges' stand. Steward Jauregui was off for personal reasons.

10/11/24<sup>7</sup>

### **SEVENTH RACE INQUIRY**

Following the running of this 5 ½ furlong main track event the Stewards posted the Inquiry sign. The Stewards were reviewing the actions of second place finisher #3 Citizen Barrett (Ricardo Gonzalez) and third place finisher #6 Valentines Candy (Welfin Orantes). Film review shows #3 Citizen Barrett drift out at the 1/8<sup>th</sup> pole. This action pushes #6 Valentines Candy slightly off his straight path. After reviewing several camera angles and receiving a Patrol Judge report, the Stewards made no change in the original placings. The decision was unanimous.

10/11/24<sup>8</sup>

### **DECLATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	Declaration #4 Sunrise Journey (Tr. L. Barocio) Injured—Tim Grande DVM. REFUND: \$868.90
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#8 Cajun Brother (Tr. J. Mullins) claimed, J. Mullins, trainer
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#2 Tommy the Train (Tr. T. Yakteen) claimed, E. Moger Jr., trainer
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	#5 Auditory (Tr. F. Garcia) claimed, S. Miyadi, trainer.

7<sup>th</sup> Race REFUND: \$24.00  
 Declarations #1 Petrified (Tr. E. Moger Jr.) Loose in Post Parade—  
 Jay Deluhery DVM  
 #5 Mr. Thirsty (Tr. V. Cerin) Injured- Nolton Pattio VMD  
 REFUND TOTAL: \$9,899.50

10/11/24<sup>9</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	2,694	\$324,270.75
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	2,227	\$796,852.98
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$4,839,882.87
<b>TOTAL</b>	4,921	\$5,961,006.60

**SATURDAY**

10/12/24<sup>1</sup>

**CESAR ORTEGA FILM REVIEW**

Jockey Cesar Ortega appeared in our office this morning to review his ride in yesterday's (October 11) second race. Jockey Ortega was aboard #2 Slew's Joy, who finished third, in this six-furlong race. During our film review, we determined Jockey Ortega used his riding crop seven (7) times. On September 22, 2024, at Los Alamitos he was also issued a ruling (LATL #14). Jockey Ortega used his riding crop seven (7) times in this instance which is one (1) strike over the limit.

For a second riding crop violation in a six-month period, the Stewards adhered to HISA guidelines and issued the following ruling.

**LATC RULING #17**

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 - second offense), Jockey CESAR ORTEGA, who rode SLEW'S JOY in the second race (Purse \$19,000) at Santa Anita Park on October 11, 2024, is suspended for two (2) days (October 19 and 20, 2024), and fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* 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.

10/12/24<sup>2</sup>

**GOOD RACING**

Today's nine (9) race card went well. It was free of Steward inquiries and/or Jockey objections.

10/12/24<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

2<sup>nd</sup> Race Declaration #5 Wagonahavagoodtime (Tr. G. Vallejo) Ownership-Stewards. REFUND: \$1,106.66  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race Declaration #6 Don't Bring Crazy (Tr. D. O'Neill) Sick- Jay Deluhery DVM. REFUND: \$1,104.22  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Perfect in Gray (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed, J. Periban, trainer  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #5 Calm Sea (Tr. J. Periban) Lamé on track-Jay Deluhery DVM. REFUND: \$42,558.96  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #9 Magnify (Tr. B. Baffert) Injured- Nolton Pattio VMD REFUND: \$3,273.13

10/12/24<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	6,225	\$754,827.50
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	3,420	\$1,270,113.39
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$6,223,715.86
<b>TOTAL</b>	9,645	\$8,248,701.75

**SUNDAY**

10/13/24<sup>1</sup>

**ARMANDO AYUSO FILM REVIEW**

Jockey Armando Ayuso appeared in the Stewards' office to review his ride in yesterday's seventh race which was conducted at one (1) mile on the turf course. Jockey Ayuso was aboard fourth place finisher #4 Hannah Buckle (IRE) who shifted inward at the 3/8ths mile marker. This action forced seventh place finisher #8 Lady Claypoole (IRE) (Diego Herrera) to check his mount. The Stewards didn't feel this ride was penalty worthy. However, the Stewards reminded Jockey Ayuso that jockeys need to be more aware of rivals to their inside when entering a turn. Warning issued.

10/13/24<sup>2</sup>

**SERAFIN CARMONA RULING**

San Luis Rey Downs Safety Steward George Yniguez issued a Violation Notice to Apprentice Jockey Serafin Carmona yesterday October 12. Safety Steward Yniguez said Apprentice Carmona used his riding crop twice during a morning workout. Mr. Carmona was contacted and pled guilty to the violation.

**LATC RULING #18**

Apprentice Jockey SERAFIN CARMONA is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(1) (Use of Riding Crop - use of crop during a.m. training) on October 12, 2024, at San Luis Rey Downs.

10/13/24<sup>3</sup>

**SMOOTH CARD**

Today's nine race card went well as it was free of Steward inquiries and/or Jockey objections.

10/13/24<sup>4</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

2nd Race Declaration #4 Extensive (Tr. M. McCarthy) Lamé on track—Jay Deluhery DVM. REFUND: \$15,023.87

3rd Race #3 Falabella (Tr. E. Kruljac) Ran loose/Post Parade—Stewards REFUND: \$7,327.69

6<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #8 Rhyme Or Reason (Tr. K. Headley) Injured-Jay Deluhery DVM. REFUND: \$314.35

7<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #5 Big Bet Jafinsafa (Tr. C. Gaines) Stake-Stewards REFUND: 1,248.60

8<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #10 Going With Her (Tr. P. Miller) Injured—Michael Pirrone DVM. REFUND: \$769.97

9<sup>th</sup> Race Jockey Change #4 Eligio M. Gutierrez for U. Rispoli—Injured

10/13/24<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	5,855	\$728,997.65
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	3,040	\$1,111,387.15
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$7,098,177.60
<b>TOTAL</b>	8,895	\$8,935,562.40

**MONDAY**  
10/14/24<sup>1</sup>

**RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING (CASE #24DM0036)**

Big Fresno Fair Stewards informed us that Owner Louis Neve had a horse in the first race today, which is the final day of their meeting. Owner Neve was not eligible to participate as he failed to appear for a hearing at Los Alamitos on September 20, 2024 (REF: LOS ALAMITOS MINUTES (09/20/24<sup>2</sup>). When informed of this, Owner Neve contacted the office of Melinda Blue DVM and paid his bill (\$3,064.96) in full. When informed of the payment, our office immediately drafted the following ruling and sent it to the Big Fresno Fair Stewards. This allowed Mr. Neve to participate today as his license privileges were reinstated.

**LATC RULING #19**

Owner LOUIS NEVE, having complied with the provisions of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility – \$3,064.96 to Veterinarian Melinda Blue) is restored to good standing. Ruling LATL #08 issued at Los Alamitos Thoroughbred September Meet on September 20, 2024, is set aside.

10/14/24<sup>2</sup>

**KARL PERGOLA RULING (CASE #24DM0044)**

Veterinarian Melinda Blue contacted our office to inform us that Owner Karl Pergola has paid a past due bill (\$2,465.82) for services performed by Melinda Blue DVM. Owner Pergola failed to appear for an informal hearing at Los Alamitos last month as his Owner's license was suspended (REF: LATL Ruling #09—09/20/24). The following ruling places his license back in 'good standing'.

**LATC RULING #20**

Owner KARL PERGOLA, having complied with the provisions of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility – \$2,465.82 to Veterinarian Melinda Blue) is restored to good standing. Ruling LATL #09 issued at Los Alamitos Thoroughbred September Meet on September 20, 2024, is set aside.

10/14/24<sup>3</sup>

**HECTOR PALMA RULING**

Trainer Hector Palma failed to declare Lasix, when his trainee was entered for the fourth race on October 13, 2024. Lasix was not listed on the racing 'Overnight' sheet for this race, but the Official Program did have the proper Lasix information. For a violation of CHRB Rule #1845, the Stewards issued the following ruling.

**LATC RULING #21**

Trainer HECTOR PALMA is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication – late registration) of BECKY'S DREAM (FR) in the fourth race on October 13, 2024, at Santa Anita Park.

10/14/24<sup>4</sup>

**MARIO GUTIERREZ FILM REVIEW**

Jockey Mario Gutierrez appeared in our office to review his ride in yesterday's 3<sup>rd</sup> race, which was contested at one (1) mile on the turf course. Jockey Gutierrez was aboard fourth place finisher #6 Leopardess (GB). Racing down the backstretch, he was having control issues with his mount, being locked in by the #4 English Dancer (Diego Herrera). Jockey Gutierrez let his mount drift out and bump Jockey Herrera's horse several times. The Stewards told Gutierrez that just because he's upset with another jockey's actions, he should not take out his frustration by letting his horse continuously bump another. Warning issued.

10/14/24<sup>5</sup>

**DIEGO HERRERA FILM REVIEW**

Jockey Diego Herrera was called in our office to watch his actions in yesterday's (October 13) third race. He was aboard sixth place finisher #4 English Dancer. Jockey Herrera was told to give room to jockey's that are having control issues during a race as safety is always of utmost importance.

10/14/24<sup>6</sup>

**GOOD RACING**

Today's special nine (9) race Columbus/Indigenous Peoples' Day card went well, as it was free of Steward inquiries and/or Jockey objections.

10/14/24<sup>7</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #1 Tiergarten (Tr. P. Miller) claimed, G. Papaprodromou, trainer  
 #2 Champagne Camie (Tr. V. Cerin) claimed, J. Sadler, trainer  
 4<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Discrepancy (Tr. T. Yakteen) claimed, J. Mendoza, trainer  
 5<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #2 Dealers Special (Tr. R. Baltas) Injured- Jay Deluhery DVM. REFUND: \$3,135.83  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration #4 Stella Starlight (Tr., D. Dunham) Unsound-Jay Deluhery DVM. REFUND: \$409.70  
 6<sup>th</sup> Race Jockey Change #6 Roses n' Chrome E. Hernandez for R. Ramirez— Sick

10/14/24<sup>8</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	3,856	\$400,282.65
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	1,468	\$448,983.38
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$4,918,374.37
<b>TOTAL</b>	5,324	\$5,767,640.50

**SUMMARY**

	<b>Fri 10/11</b>	<b>Sat 10/12</b>	<b>Sun 10/13</b>	<b>Mon 10/14</b>	<b>Week</b>	<b>Meet</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	2	2	3	1	8	19
<b>Claims</b>	4	1	0	3	8	17
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Inquiries</b>	1	0	0	0	0	5
<b>Refunds</b>	3	3	4	2	12	61
<b>Rulings</b>	4	1	1	3	9	21
<b>Voided Claims</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0

**VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 10/7/24 TO 10/13/24**

Horses on Vet List 15  
 Horses off Vet List 10  
 Shock Wave Therapy 1  
 Fatalities 0  
 Medication 0

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Grant Baker, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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