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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS DEL MAR FALL MEET Del Mar Thoroughbred Club

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Report for Tuesday, November 19 through Sunday, November 24, 2024.

THURSDAY

11/21/24¹

ROAP CONTINUING EDUCATION

Stewards Baker, Jauregui and Sawyer participated in a ROAP (Racing Officials Accreditation Program) continuing education seminar on Monday November 18 & Tuesday November 19. This 16-hour program is required for Stewards to maintain their ROAP Stewards accreditation. This excellent two (2) days of instruction was chaired by NYRA (New York Racing Association) Steward Victor Escobar and HISA Director of Equine Safety and Welfare, Dr. Jennifer Durenberger. Fortunately for us this program was available in a hybrid (live/online) format. We considered this 'busman's holiday' time well spent.

11/21/24²

DR. MELINDA BLUE COMPLAINT (CASE #24DM0047)

Stewards Baker, Jauregui and Sawyer held a telephonic hearing today with Dr. Melinda Blue. CHRB Investigator Anne Dillion prepared the complaint for this case and was here at Del Mar. The cover page of today's twenty-eight (28) page complaint packet reads as follows.

TRULY MAGICAL, trained by Brian Koriner, completed a four-furlong workout and sustained an injury at Del mar on August 17, 2024. Truly Magical did not have a pre-work examination reported in the Electronic Treatment Records System (EquiTAPS) between August 14-17, 2024. Dr. Melinda Blue performed exams of TRULY MAGICAL in compliance with CHRB Rule 1878 on August 16 and 17, but did not enter the treatments into EquiTAPS.

The Stewards will now deliberate regarding the testimony and evidence that was presented at this hearing.

11/21/24³

THOMAS HALASZ COMPLAINT (CASE #24SA0115)

Bob Hubbard Horse Transportation has initiated a complaint against Owner Thomas Halasz alleging violation of CHRB Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility). CHRB Investigator Hiroshi Yokoyama prepared the complaint in this matter. Jack Bentley from Bob Hubbard Horse Transportation appeared in our office. Owner Thomas Halasz appeared via telephone. The cover sheet of today's thirty (30) day complaint reads as follows.

Bob Hubbard Horse Transportation provided transportation services to Owner Thomas Halasz on March 4, 2024, March 17, 2024, and April 20, 2024, for a total of \$9,655.00. A request for payment was sent to Mr. Halasz via Certified US Mail on September 3, 2024; however, the balance remains outstanding to this day.

Owner Halasz acknowledged that his bill is past due. It sounds like a resolution to this matter will be made shortly. More to follow.

FRIDAY

11/22/24¹

MELINDA BLUE RULING CREF:11/21/24 (2)

This ruling below was issued after the Stewards conducted a telephone Hearing yesterday November 21. The Stewards considered a recommendation from the CHRB Equine Medical Director prior to issuing the following ruling.

DFTD Ruling #15

Veterinarian MELINDA BLUE is issued an OFFICIAL WARNING for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1842 (a) (Veterinarian Report - Failed to enter examination into EquiTAPS) at Del Mar Race Track on August 17, 2024.

11/22/24²

KYLE FREY FILM REVIEW (REF: 11/17/24 (4)

Jockey Kyle Frey appeared in our office to review his ride in the third race on Sunday November 17, 2024. Jockey Frey was aboard original first place finisher #4 Jimmy Blue Jeans in this one (1) mile event held on the Jimmy Durante Turf Course. #4 Jimmy Blue Jeans was disqualified and placed second for mid-stretch interference. He fouled original second place finisher #3 Sarway (FR), who was placed first following the incident.

Today's film review shows Jockey Frey begin his stretch run along the rail but drifted out considerably, forcing his rival to the outside to lose ground. Jockey Frey employed his riding crop (left-handed) and never tried to straighten his mount. Mr. Frey accepted responsibility for what he himself considered a sub-par effort. In a unanimous vote, the Stewards issued the following ruling.

DFTD Ruling #16

Jockey KYLE FREY, who rode JIMMY BLUE JEANS in the third race at Del Mar Race Track on November 17, 2024 is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (November 29, 30 and December 1, 2024) for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch, causing interference, resulting in a disqualification from first to second place; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules-careless riding).

11/22/24³

SIXTH RACE INQUIRY/ACCIDENT

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign after viewing an incident at the start of this five (5) furlongs Race on the turf course. #1 Scroll U (Tiago Pereira) ducked in and broke through the collapsible Mawsafe inner turf rail. This action unseated Jockey Tiago Pereira. He was examined in the First Aid department and cleared to ride his lone remaining mount on the day's card.

#1 Scroll U ran loose in the infield during the running of this race and there was a concern that this race could be affected by the sequence of events. Scroll U fell in the infield and did receive some abrasions. This horse was walked off the track after examination by track veterinarians. Regarding the Stewards' inquiry it was determined that this was a single horse incident and that the original placings would be undisturbed.

11/22/24⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

1st Race #1 Farley Hall (Tr. P. Eurton) claimed, P. Miller, trainer
 3rd Race Declarations #5 El Rey Dorado (Tr. M. Ruis Sr.) Sick- Nolton Pattio VMD
 #6 Speed Grazy (Tr. M. Glatt) Enter Back- Stewards
 #7 Ready to Pounce (Tr. J. Sadler) Unsound-Brent Cassady DVM
 REFUND TOTAL: \$2,757.59 NO SHOW WAGERING
 6th Race Declaration #3 Lil' Boom Boom (Tr. S. Miyadi) Sick-Brent Cassady DVM
 REFUND: \$1,963.88
 7th Race #2 Wishtheyallcouldbe (Tr. R. Ellis) claimed, H. Palma, trainer
 8th Race #2 Sbagliato (Tr. P. D' Amato) claimed, V. Cerin, trainer
 #4 Legitify (IRE) claimed, L. Powell, trainer

11/22/24⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	2,095	\$293,675.99
SCOTWINC	2,586	\$2,126,047.27
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$4,677,028.82
TOTAL	4,681	\$7,096752.08

SATURDAY

11/23/24¹

ANTONIO FRESU RULING {REF: 7/21/24 (6)}

The CHRFB adopted a Proposed Decision in the Antonio Fresu appeal of DMTD Ruling #05 dated July 21, 2024. Jockey Fresu was involved in an accident and disqualification on opening day (Ref: 7/20/24(6)) of the 2024 Del Mar summer meet. The CHRFB has now remanded this matter back to the Stewards to issue a ruling reflecting the decision. The following ruling is now issued.

DFTD Ruling #17

Having received notice of a Proposed Decision adopted by the California Horse Racing Board that the appeal of DMTD Ruling #05 dated July 21, 2024, has been overruled, the original ruling is reinstated .. Jockey ANTONIO FRESU is suspended for five (5) racing days (December 1,26,27,28 & 29, 2024).

11/23/24²

SMOOTH CARD

Today's eight (8) race card went well as it was free of Steward inquiries and/or Jockey objections.

11/23/24³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

3rd Race #6 Crazy Cavalier (Tr. R. Baltas) claimed, D. O'Neill, trainer
 6th Race Declaration #5 Coalinga Road (Tr. C. Gaines) Sick-Brent Cassady DVM. REFUND: \$2,337.45.

11/23/24⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	3,683	\$575,493.60
SCOTWINC	4,389	\$3,489,260.53
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$7,530,913.13
TOTAL	8,072	\$11,595,667.26

SUNDAY

11/24/24¹

SECOND RACE INQUIRY

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign after viewing the start of this 5 ½ furlong main track event. The Stewards wanted to review the actions of third place finisher #1 Dr. Ray D. (T. Pereira) and fourth place finisher #2 Sapadilla (S. Carmona). There was a margin of a 'nose' between these two (2) rivals at the finish of this race.

Race replays show #1 Dr. Ray D break out and make contact #2 Sapadilla, who breaks in and makes contact. Films show #1 Dr. Ray D. get knocked off balance. After receiving a patrol judge report and speaking with both jockeys involved the Stewards made 'no change' in the original order of finish.

11/24/24²

FIFTH RACE STEWARDS REVIEW

Public Address Announcer Larry Collmus broadcast that a Stewards Review would be conducted into the start of today's fifth race. This race was contested at one (1) mile on the Jimmy Durante Turf Course. The Stewards wanted to review the actions of ninth place finisher #7 Last Call Londo (Serafin Carmona) and eighth place finisher #8 Man Friday (Kazushi Kimura). Both horses were 'off slowly' and the Stewards wanted to make sure that both horses received a fair start. After the Stewards conducted our review and we declared the race official.

11/24/24³

SEVENTH RACE INQUIRY

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign after viewing an incident on the far turn (second time around) in the \$100,000 (Grade 3) Guaranteed Red Carpet Stakes. This race was contested at 1 3/8 miles on the Jimmy Durante Turf Course. The focus of this Inquiry were the actions of second place finisher #2 Forever After All (Juan Hernandez) and third place finisher #6 Marksman Queen (GB) (Umberto Rispoli).

Race replays show #2 Forever After All steady very sharply when #6 Marksman Queen (GB) shifts in front of this horse at the 3/8ths pole location. #2 Forever After All threw her head high in the air when Jockey Hernandez took a strong hold of his mount to try to avoid contact. This horse re-rallied after losing ground and finished strongly to obtain second place. The Stewards made no change in the order of finish as the horse that experienced the interference defeated the offending horse. Jockey Umberto Rispoli was ordered to appear the following race day (November 29) for a film review before the Stewards.

11/24/24⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2nd Race #6 Dial a Friend (Tr. P. Miller) claimed, J. Mendoza, trainer.
4th Race Declaration #3 Big Notion (Tr. S. Miyadi) Sick-Nolton Pattie DVM
REFUND: \$456.90
5th Race #6 Great King (FR) (Tr. S. Callaghan) claimed, L. Barocio, trainer
#10 Russells Hustle (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) claimed, P. Miller, trainer
7th Race Declaration #8 Queens Command (IRE) (Tr. P. D'Amato) Stake Stewards

11/24/24⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	2,625	\$372,172.42
SCOTWINC	4,056	\$2,804,658.63
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$7,422,438.29
TOTAL	6,681	\$10,599,269.34

SUMMARY

	Fri 11/22	Sat 11/23	Sun 11/24	Week	Meet
Accidents	1	0	0	1	1
Cal-Bred Races	3	2	2	7	27
Claims	4	1	3	8	32
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	3
Inquiries	1	0	2	3	13
Refunds	2	1	1	4	68
Rulings	2	1	0	3	20
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	1

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 11/18/24 TO 11/24/24

Horses on Vet List	10
Horses off Vet List	11
Shock Wave Therapy	0
Fatalities	0
Medication	0
Claims Voided	0

Grant Baker, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

BOS:GB:sv