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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
Golden State Racing at Pleasanton
 Pleasanton, CA

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Report for the Week of Wednesday December 4 through Sunday, December 8, 2024.

WEDNESDAY12/4/24¹**DARK DAY DUTY**

Calvin Rainey was present to assist the Racing Office this week. He oversaw a nine (9) race program drawn for Saturday with sixty-three (63) runners. Two rider changes were approved for Friday's races as alternates were replaced.

An Entry Panel was on the day's agenda with **Dr. Lorbiecki** directing. The group consisted of **Dr. Blea, Juliana Gomes** and Steward **Rainey** for this "Teams" meeting.

THURSDAY12/5/24¹**ENTRY DAY – SCRATCHES - VET PANEL**

Once again, the Board of Stewards were represented by **Calvin Raney** for scratches to Saturday's program and entries for Sunday. An Overnight was produced consisting of eight (8) races with fifty-two (52) runners. One change, Alternate Jockey replaced, to Saturday's program was approved. A "Panel" review for Saturday delved into twenty-one (21) horses labeled as "Hard Watch". **Dr. Grande** was reunited with the Panel today.

FRIDAY12/6/24¹**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

Race 5 – Declaration #3, **Rumpus A. P.** (Tr. **V. Trujillo**) Sick – **DVM, Parker**
 Declaration #4, **Nine Fools** (Tr. **T. McCanna**) Sick – **DVM, Parker**
 Declaration #6, **Rosie Tinkerbelle** (Tr. **A. Ruvalcaba**) Sick – **DVM, Cloninger**
 Refunds: \$263.40

12/6/24²**FILM REVIEW -RULING #16 HERRERA**

Jockey **Cristobal Herrera** was present to review his ride in the fourth race on the past Sunday. Video shows his mount, **Runkerry** the winner, drifting out down the lane taking the path of runner-up **Major Tom** as the two raced to the wire. The pair finished on even terms with a photo

needed to determine the winner. The result of that picture showed a nose separating the two runners. In a unanimous decision the **Stewards** disqualified the winner for interference. After viewing video, we also suspended Jockey **Herrera** for lack of effort to maintain his course and issued the following ruling.

GSR RULING #16

Jockey **CRISTOBAL HERRERA** who rode **RUNKERRY** in the fourth race at Golden State Racing on December 1, 2024, is suspended three (3) racing days, December 13, 14 and 15, 2024, for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch causing interference, resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to second, a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (Riding Rules – Careless Riding).

12/6/24³

CAMACHO FLORES CROP RULING #17

The following ruling was issued after Jockey **Leonel Camacho Flores** admitted to mis-using his riding crop while riding the fifth race the previous Sunday. He did not wish to review the race again.

GSR RULING #17

Jockey **LEONEL CAMACHO FLORES** who rode **FANTASTIC DREAM** in the fifth race at Golden State Racing on December 1, 2024, is suspended one (1) racing day, December 13, 2024, and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00) pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – Class 3, one strike over the limit) for violation of HISA Rules #2280 (Use of Riding Crop).

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OROZCO CROP RULING #18

Jockey **Kevin Orozco** was in attendance to explain his use of the riding crop. When asked he readily admitted to seven strikes and did not need to see the video replay. The attached ruling was published.

GSR RULING #18

Jockey **KEVIN OROZCO** who rode **PATSY MONTANA** in the second race at Golden State Racing on December 1, 2024, is suspended two (2) racing days, December 13 & 14, 2024, and fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – Class 3, one strike over the limit) for violation of HISA Rules #2280 (Use of Riding Crop) and #2283 (Multiple Violations of Rule #2280 – second offense within 180 days).

Big Fresno Fair ruling #6 dated October 6, 2024

12/6/24⁵

CLEAR RACING

Today's seven (7) race card was run free of any noteworthy incidents other than our viewing of the races returned to the roof top "icebox". It appears this will be the location for the remainder of this Fall/Winter race meet.

12/6/24⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	351	\$97,359.70
SCOTWINC		\$398,632.61
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$83,125.80
TOTAL	865	\$813,953.21

SATURDAY

12/7/24¹

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

Race 4 – Declaration #2, **Sound of Glory** (Tr. **S. Calvario**) Sick - **DVM, Parker**

Refunds: \$41.20

12/7/24²

CHAVEZ RULING #19

Jockey **Alexander Chavez** was in the **Steward’s** Office to review video of the fifth race to look at his actions aboard **Sensational Z Z**. At the onset **Mr. Chavez** thought he was called in to look at the start of the race when his mount bobbed at the start and broke in slightly. As the race went on, we started to count the crop use, and he went “OH NO!”. After viewing the video, he agreed with us that the crop was used once too many times and accepted the penalty issued in the attached ruling

GSR RULING #19

Jockey **ALEXANDER CHAVEZ** who rode **SENSATIONAL Z Z** in the fifth race at Golden State Racing on December 6, 2024, is suspended one (1) racing day, December 14, 2024, and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00) pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – Class 3, one strike over the limit) for violation of HISA Rules #2280 (Use of Riding Crop).

12/7/24³

CLEAR RACING

The nine (9) race program was concluded without any Objections, Inquiries, or any other noteworthy incidents.

12/7/24⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	598	\$194,007.76
SCOTWINC		\$521,467.12
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$132,332.00
TOTAL	1,396	\$1,276,677.67

SUNDAY

12/8/24¹

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

Race 4 – Declaration #4, **Blueberry Muffin** (Tr. **M. Stortz**) Ineligible – **Stewards**

Refunds: \$81.50

Race 8 – Declarations #7, **A Dime for Me** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) Injured at Gate – **DVM Cloninger**
#8, **Bobby’s Genie** (Tr. **R. Thomas**) Injured at Gate – **DVM Cloninger**

Refunds: \$98,700.60

Race 8 - #5 **Irish Prancer** (Tr. **S. Specht**) Claimed – **M. Stortz**, Trainer

12/8/24²

RONDAN CASE 24GS0021 RECESSED

CHRB Case 24GS0021, a Financial Complaint, against trainer **Felix Rondan** by **Cirilo Andrade (dba Andrade’s Feed)** has been postponed for one week, December 13, 2024, so that both sides can present their evidence, payments paid and received, in a clearer manner and possibly come to a resolution before re-adjourning.

Both sides attempted to make their case when the hearing was opened but confusion in payments made it difficult for this panel to find a true balance in the statements provided. Chair **Nevin** recommended that the two parties meet and try to come up with an amicable solution prior to the next meeting. Both parties were in favor of that suggestion and left on speaking terms. To Be Continued.

12/8/24³

RIDER CHANGE

After the running of Race 5, **Dr. Seftel** reported Jockey **Luis Jimenez** was not feeling up to par and recommended he be released from fulfilling his remaining obligation. We contacted Trainer **Gary Greiner** and he named **Epifanio Garcia** on #1, **The Great Haynes** in the final race of the day.

12/8/24⁴

GATE SCRATCHES – RACE 8

The nightcap was marred by the two late Vet scratches at the gate. While the field was filling the starting gate #8 **Bobby’s Genie** turn upside down in the stall throwing Jockey **Kevin Orozco** out the back.

Prior to the Assistant Starters unloading the other entrants, #7, **A Dime for Me** was struck by the thrashing **Bobby’s Genie**. When both horses were finally free from the starting structure **DVM Cloninger** reported the two had suffered injuries and he recommended they be withdrawn. The Stewards honored his request and both horses were removed from the wagering pools.

12/8/24⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	548	\$150,525.36
SCOTWINC		\$548,695.96
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$118,927.30
TOTAL	1,219	\$1,103,183.32

SUMMARY

	Fri 12/6	Sat 12/7	Sun 12/8	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	0	0	1
Claims	0	0	1	1	32
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	1
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	3
Refunds	1	1	2	4	54
Rulings	3	1	0	4	19
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	1

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Lewis, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward

Calvin Rainey, Steward

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