

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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

TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

- Honorable Gregory L. Ferraro, DVM, Chairman
- Honorable Oscar Gonzales, Vice Chairman
- Honorable Dennis V. Alfieri, Member
- Honorable John Carvelli, Member
- Honorable Damascus Castellanos, Member
- Honorable Brenda Washington Davis, Member
- Honorable Thomas C. Hudnut, Member
- C. Scott Chaney, Executive Director
- Cynthia Alameda, Deputy Executive Director
- Darrel McHargue, Chief Steward

Report for Monday December 30, 2024 through Sunday, January 5, 2025.

MONDAY
12/30/24¹

DARK DAY ENTRIES

Steward Luis Jauregui was present in the Stewards’ office available to review entries for Saturday (10 races) and adjudicate any other concerns and or disputes that arise.

TUESDAY
12/31/24¹

DARK DAY ENTRIES

Again, Mr. Jauregui was accessible to supervise entries for the Sunday card (10 races) and to resolve any issues.

WEDNESDAY
01/01/25¹

RUBIO HEARING CASE #24SA0130

The CHRB filed a complaint against jockey Francisco Rubio for alleged violations of CHRB rules 1902.5-Animal Welfare 1874- Disorderly Conduct 1481-Occupational Licenses 1532-POF.

The complaint composed by CHRB Investigator Octavio Vergara Jr. reads as follows:

Exercise Rider Francisco Rubio used the reins to strike a horse while on the main track.

Testimony was given, the complaint was entered into evidence and the hearing was closed. Decision to follow.

01/01/25²

NEW APPRENTICE

Jockey agent Ryan Glatt met with the Stewards to introduce his prospective apprentice jockey Deybis Chavez. Safety Steward Paul Atkinson also attended, as he will be in charge of observing him while working horses and breaking out of the

starting gate. Mr. Chavez was informed of his obligations to obtain an apprentice license and will have to report back to the Stewards after he is listed on an overnight.

01/01/25³

LEWIS RULING

The following ruling was issued after Mr. Lewis failed to register his horses in a timely manner to race on Lasix.

LATS RULING #12

Trainer CRAIG LEWIS, who started the horses FIGHTING RING and JAZZ SPOT in the fourth race on December 29, 2024, at Santa Anita Park is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication – late registrations).

01/01/25⁴

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

Hector I. Berrios met with the Stewards to review the third race on Sunday to observe the use of his crop. Stewards Sawyer and Baker believed he violated the rule and Steward Jauregui felt the video was inconclusive to determine if the crop did or did not touch the horse. His penalty is listed in the following ruling.

LATS RULING #13

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 HECTOR I. BERRIOS, who rode SIMPLEXITY (IRE) in the third race (Purse \$26,000) at Santa Anita Park on December 29, 2024, is suspended for two (2) days (January 10 and 11, 2025), and fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for three (3) strikes over the limit.

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

01/01/25⁵

INQUIRY /NO CHANGE /THIRD RACE -1 mile-turf

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident late in the stretch that involved #5 Nanci Griffith (A. Fresu 3rd) and #7 Bottle Rocket (FR) (F. Prat 2nd). After a report from the Patrol Judge, conversation with both jockeys, and a review of the available videos, by majority opinion there was no change in the placings. The majority felt the contact did not warrant a disqualification. Steward Sawyer believed the nose difference in the placing was affected.

01/01/25⁶

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race	No Changes; Refund \$0.00
2nd race	No Changes; Refund \$0.00
3rd race	No Changes; Refund \$0.00
4th race	#3 Love Our Family (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed by Tr. G. Stute #7 Smile Baby Smile (Tr. V. Trujillo) claimed by Tr. A. Mathis Refund \$6.00
5th race	#9 Neon Lights (IRE) (Tr. P. Miller) E. Maldonado replaced A. Tomita (left country). Refund \$2.00
6th race	#3 Talent for Gold (Tr. G. Stute) Veterinarian-unsound-Dr. Deluhery Refund \$487.64
7th race	No Changes; Refund \$0.00
8th race	No Changes; Refund \$0.00
9th race	No Changes; Refund \$0.00

01/01/25⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	12,477	1,091,565.36
SCOTWINC	2,642	883,474.56
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	7,042,900.13
TOTAL	15,119	9,017,940.05

FRIDAY

01/03/25¹

NEW APPRENTICE

Safety Steward Paul Atkinson was joined with William Pyle (BHA Apprentice jockey license) to discuss the requirements to ride in California. It was discovered there was a possibility he might not be eligible for an apprentice license in California. He was informed of the documents he must produce before granting him a license. More to follow.

01/03/25²

RUBIO RULING ref 01-01-25¹

The following ruling was issued after the penalty decision was made.

LATS RULING #14

Jockey FRANCISCO RUBIO is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – striking horse with reins) on October 10, 2024, at Santa Anita Park.

01/03/25³

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

Flavien Prat met with the Stewards to review the third race on Sunday for the late stretch inquiry. After said review, Mr. Prat, with an attitude, believed he did nothing wrong. The BOS felt the incident was necessary to review to remind him what we expect from the jockey colony.

After he left the office, he returned to apologize and asked to review the seventh race on Saturday, wherein he was directed to review films only with the film analyst. After this conversation there was more of an understanding of what the BOS expectations are from the jockey colony.

01/03/25⁴

SMOOTH SAILING

The afternoon card was performed without a ripple. Changes made are listed below.

01/03/25⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race No Changes; Refund \$0.00
2nd race No Changes; Refund \$15.00
3rd race No Changes; Refund \$53.00
4th race #3 Cowboy Kisses (Tr. I. Tamayo) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio
#6 Bertacchi (Tr. V. Trujillo) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio
#8 Playing Hardball (Tr. S. Calvario) Veterinarian-injured paddock-Dr. Deluhery. Refund \$3974.55
5th race No Changes; Refund \$439.88
6th race #3 Tesoro (Tr. O. J. Jauregui) claimed by Tr. S. Knapp
#5 Upstart Yankee (Tr. B. McLean) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio
Refund \$903.81
7th race No Changes; Refund \$1982.89
8th race #1 Moose Mitchell (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio. Refund \$628.44
9th race No Changes; Refund \$0.00

01/03/25⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	4,016	516,176.02
SCOTWINC	2,606	948,073.57
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	5,378,634.50
TOTAL	6,622	6,842,884.09

SATURDAY

01/04/25¹

HISA ACCREDITATION MEETING

Safety Steward Paul Atkinson and Steward Grant Baker attended this mandatory gathering. Representatives from HISA are at Santa Anita Park this weekend to examine the location to make sure that they continue to be in compliance with HISA regulations.

01/04/25²

DISQUALIFICATION RULING

The following ruling was issued after receiving a “Notice of Final Civil Sanctions Under the ADMC Program” from HIWU verifying the necessity for a disqualification ruling that involved a Tranexamic Acid Class “C” medication violation.

LATS RULING #15

After receiving notice from Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit (HIWU), the following horse, HANDY DANDY is disqualified for a positive test sample from Race 7 at Del Mar Race Track on August 25, 2024, Case #ECM2024-283/ECM. The Consequences of Disqualification results included forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable) of such to the Race Organizer (ADMC Program Rule 3321 – Disqualification of the Covered Horse’s Results).

It is further ordered that all purse monies earned or awarded to Owners DAVID A. BERNSSEN LLC, DUKE PERRY STABLES, WHITE FENCE LLC, and JEFFERY LAMBERT, Jockey JUAN HERNANDEZ and Trainer ROBERT HESS JR. be returned to the Paymaster of Purses at Del Mar Race Track on or before February 4, 2025, for redistribution pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1760 (Purse Award or Prize to Be Withheld).

Revised Order of Finish:

1st BEE CATCHER 2nd HURRICANE CLOUD (GB) 3rd MOODY JIM (IRE)
4th SPIRIT MAKER 5th SYDNEY STREET 6th VANZZY 7th RECKLESS SPIRIT
8th MIDNIGHT JOSTAR 9th FLY THE SKY

All records are ordered changed to reflect this ruling. In accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1956 (Race Declared Official) neither pari-mutuel payoffs nor the distribution of any pari-mutuel pool shall be affected.

01/04/25³

JOCKEY FILM REVIEW

Apprentice jockey Serafin Carmona met with the BOS to explain his absence of attending the required apprentice film session. He stated he forgot. His penalty is listed in the following ruling.

LATS RULING #16

Apprentice Jockey SERAFIN CARMONA is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930

(Obedience to Security Officers – failure to attend apprentice film class) on January 3, 2025 at Santa Anita Park.

01/04/25⁴

GOOD RACING

The ten-race program was executed without notable incident. Changes made are listed below.

01/04/25⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race #7 Oobubbakakaye (Tr. R. Hanson) claimed by Tr. L. Barocio
2nd race No Changes; Refund \$0.00
3rd race No Changes; Refund \$0.00
4th race No Changes; Refund \$15.00
5th race No Changes; Refund \$28.00
6th race #2 Bebop Lady (Tr. R. Baltas) Veterinarian-unsound post parade-Dr. Deluhery. Refund \$33,770.50
7th race No Changes; Refund \$148.00
8th race #2 Chick's Dig It (Tr. J. Wallace) Veterinarian-injured paddock-Dr. Deluhery
#9 Blazing Peme (Tr. C. Delima) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Deluhery
#11 Prince Prancealot (Tr. P. Capestro) K. Frey replaced E. Maldonado (2nd call). Refund \$5,572.93
9th race #2 Anywho (Tr. J. Sadler) Steward-stake
#4 Pushiness (Tr. M. McCarthy) Steward-stake. Refund \$2,908.83
10th race No Changes; Refund \$487.60

01/04/25⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	7,393	1,117,327.83
SCOTWINC	3,694	1,339,626.24
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	8,551,896.83
TOTAL	11,087	11,008,850.90

SUNDAY

01/05/25¹

DELGADILLO RETURN

Journeyman jockey Agapito Delgadillo met with the Stewards to renew his license. He produced all the necessary documentation to be eligible to be relicensed.

01/05/25²

SAFETY STEWARD REPORT

Paul Atkinson met with the Stewards with an extensive daily report. It was very informative and much appreciated.

01/05/25³

SMOOTH SAILING

The ten-race program was performed without a ripple. Changes made are listed below.

01/05/25⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race No Changes; Refund \$244.76
2nd race No Changes; Refund \$67.00
3rd race #2 Pour On the Cole (Tr. J. Puentes) K. Orozco replaced J. Couton (travel)
#7 Nameless (Tr. T. McCanna) claimed by Tr. J. Mullins
#8 Reef City (Tr. J. Bonde) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio
#9 Lord Wimborne (IRE) (Tr. J. Ramos) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio

4th race Refund \$841.78
 #9 Just Resillience (Tr. N. Drysdale) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Grande
 Refund \$683.85
 5th race No Changes; Refund \$0.00
 6th race #9 Dirty Words (Tr. P. D'Amato) Veterinarian-injured walking ring-Dr.
 Deluhery. Refund \$11,655.47
 7th race #6 Mawu (Tr. B. Baffert) DNF
 8th race #2 Royal Charter (GB) (Tr. L. Powell) Steward-refused to load in
 starting gate. Refund \$120,508.13
 9th race No Changes; Refund \$10.00
 10th race No Changes; Refund \$530.00

01/05/25⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	6,356	814,222.14
SCOTWINC	3,160	1,059,869.04
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	7,487,809.19
TOTAL	9,516	9,361,900.37

SUMMARY

	Wed 01/01	Fri 01/03	Sat 01/04	Sun 01/05	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	3	3	2	0	8	14
Claims	2	1	1	1	5	12
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	1
Inquiries	1	0	0	0	1	3
Refunds	3	7	7	8	25	60
Rulings	2	1	2	1	6	17
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	2

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 12/30/24 TO 01/05/25

Horses on Vet List 14
 Horses off Vet List 4
 Shock Wave Therapy 2
 Fatalities 0
 Medication 0

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Steward

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