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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE
Cypress, California
TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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Report for the week of January 8, 2025, through January 12, 2025.

WEDNESDAY1/08/25¹**DUTY STEWARD**

James Dreyer has the morning duty and will record the minutes during this reporting period.

1/08/25²**CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book, maidens three years old, was used open. 2 Cal-Breds.

1/08/25³**THE DRAW**

It took until 7:30 P.M. for the racing office to get fifty-one horses for the eight-race program.

1/08/25⁴**STAKES SCHEDULE**

The 2024-2025 stakes and designated races should be finalized this week.

THURSDAY1/09/25¹**SCRATCHES**

One declaration completed Saturday's program changes.

1/09/25²**CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book, maidens three years old, failed to fill.

1/09/25³**THE DRAW**

The racing department succeeded again getting forty-nine entrants in our eight-race program.

1/09/25⁴**COMPLAINT #24LA0294**

This hearing was quite brief after trainer Jaime Gomez nor either of the owners of the two horses chose to be present at the proceedings. Acting according to CHRB Rule #1588 (a)(4) & (b) Be Fabulous Dream which ran in the fifth race at Los Alamitos on October 20, 2024, was in fact Bradley The First and therefore must be disqualified. Identifier Ralph Seville had identified and chipped the wrong horses. A ruling will be issued.

1/09/25⁵

COMPLAINT #24LA0286

Present this morning were identifier Ralph Seville, supervising investigator Kevin Kitashima and the Board of Stewards. It appears the mistake began the first day the horses arrived. The two horses were switched upon their arrival and were trained that way throughout their stay here. When Ralph arrived at the barn to microchip Be Fabulous Dream, Bradley The First was brought out. The two horse's markings are not remotely similar and Ralph had no explanation how he could have misidentified them. He said he was busy that morning with four horses to chip but did not present that as an excuse. The error was not discovered until the owner came to pick up one of the horses. A decision will be forthcoming in this complaint.

FRIDAY

1/10/25¹

SCRATCHES

Scratch time resulted in one declaration and one equipment change.

SATURDAY

1/11/25¹

RULING #2 (Refer 1/9/25 - #4)

Ruling #2

Be Fabulous Dream ("Bradley The First"), the fifth place finisher in the fifth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on October 20, 2024 is disqualified and deemed unplaced, pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1588 (a)(4) & (6) (Horse Ineligible to Start in a Race).

Revised order of finish:

1st Magic Folly 2nd Roses Dynasty 3rd Boutique 4th Bella 5th Bold Blaine

As dictated by rule the foregoing ruling was issued.

1/11/25²

RULING #3 (Refer 1/9/25 - #5)

Ruling #3

Official Horse Identifier Ralph Seville is fined One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1554 (Duties of Horse Identifier) for incorrectly identifying and microchipping Be Fabulous Dream ("Bradley The First"), the Fifth place finisher in the Fifth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on October 20, 2024.

After a thorough review of the circumstances surrounding this complaint, the above ruling was issued.

1/11/25³

RULING #4

Ruling #4

Jockey CESAR ORTEGA is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement), causing a late rider change in the first race at Los Alamitos Race Course on January 5, 2025.

The above ruling was filed after Jockey Cesar Ortega chose to ride the ninth race at Santa Anita and was then unable to get to Los Alamitos in time to fulfill his obligation here in the first race.

1/11/25⁴

RULING #5

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Jockey EDWIN G. ESCOBEDO is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1688 (b) (7 & 8) (Use of Riding Crop – more than twice in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond and more than six times during the running of the race) while riding First Time For Wine in the ninth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on January 5, 2025.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Jockey Edwins G. Escobedo was found to be in violation of Rule #1688.

1/11/25⁵

FILMS

Cesar Ortega was in to review Sunday's fifth race with the Stewards. Approximately one hundred yards out of the gate under a left-hand whip Cesar's mount Real Me drifted out causing Adrian Escobedo on Smiling for Nana to check. The Stewards didn't think the outcome of the race was compromised but Cesar was warned to pick his head up.

1/11/25⁶

CLAIM VOIDED

The seventh race claim of Go Tell Carter by trainer Jorge Farias was voided after Dr. Beck placed the filly on the vets list for bleeding. She was returned to trainer Monty Arrossa.

1/11/25⁷

NO PROBLEMS

Saturday went quite well with all routine matters handled.

1/11/25⁸

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, CLAIMS AND REFUNDS

2nd Race #3 Rickelle (Tr. A. Aquino) Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund: \$438.45
6th Race #4 Capital Cartel (Tr. K. Castaneda) Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund: \$201.00
7th Race #2 One Favorite Runner (Tr. E. Willis) Colic – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund: \$1,251.08

1/11/25⁹

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	850	\$68,113.40
SCOTWINC	1,051	\$156,805.70
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$799,862.46
TOTAL	1,901	\$1,024,781.56

SUNDAY

1/12/25¹

INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry was hung following the seventh race to review the start, #1 Cowboy Sweetheart broke and then drifted into #2 MW Isnt She Lovely which was inconsequential to the outcome of the race. The problem arose when MW Isnt She Lovely continued to drift after the two separated, pushing #3 Flying Stolo behind #4 First Painteddynasty, taking her out of the competition and any chance at a fair placing. After a thorough review of the incident, the decision was unanimous to disqualify MW Isnt She Lovely.

Original Order 5-1-(2)-4-3 Official Order 5-1-4-3-(2)

1/12/25²

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, CLAIMS AND REFUNDS

1st Race #7 Do It For Dave (Tr. S. McGowan) Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund: \$1,223.21

1/12/25³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	520	\$70,626.90
SCOTWINC	828	\$198,724.70
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$993,992.00
TOTAL	1,348	\$1,263,343.60

SUMMARY

	Fri 01/10	Sat 01/11	Sun 01/12	Week	Meet
Accidents	D	0	0	0	2
Cal-Bred Races	A	0	0	0	0
Claims	R	0	1	1	5
Disqualifications	K	0	1	1	1
Inquiries	D	0	1	1	2
Refunds	A	3	1	4	17
Rulings	Y	4	0	4	5
Voided Claims		1	0	1	3

James Dreyer, Steward

David Nuesch, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

BOS:JD:dj