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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
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- Dates: Thursday, October 30, 2025, through Sunday, November 30, 2025  
16 race days, Fridays through Sundays.
- Races: Eight races on Fridays, nine races on Saturdays, and nine races on  
Sundays, unless otherwise designated.
- Post time: 12:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
- Scratch time: Scratch time will be 10:00 a.m. the day prior to the races, except  
Breeders' Cup. The deadline for scratches from a stake race, with  
exception of overnight stakes races, will be no later than one hour  
before post time for that race.
- Wagering: Wagering: Minimum \$2 win, place and show wagering on every  
\$2 Rolling Doubles; \$1 Rolling Pick Threes; \$1 Exactas on all races;  
\$0.50 Trifectas on all races; \$1 and 10 cent Superfectas on all  
qualifying races; \$0.50 Early Pick 5 on first 5 races; \$0.50 Late Pick 5 on

last 5 races; \$0.50 Early pick 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> races; \$0.50 Late Pick 4 on last 4 races; \$2.00 win, place and show parlays 1<sup>st</sup> thru 9<sup>th</sup> race. \$2 Pick Six (with carryover) on final six races, and \$1 Place Pick All (no carryover) beginning with first race. \$0.50 Super High 5 on last race of the day.

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**Report for Monday, October 27, through Sunday, November 2, 2025.**

**MONDAY**

10/27/25<sup>1</sup>

**BREEDERS' CUP ENTRIES**

All three Stewards were in the office to oversee entries for Friday and Saturday races, and to answer any questions regarding Breeders' Cup of the Fall meet.

10/27/25<sup>2</sup>

**CHRB EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR VISIT**

CHRB Executive Director Scott Chaney was in this morning to discuss some issues for the up-and-coming Del Mar Fall Meet and the Breeders' Cup weekend. The meeting was very informative as we discussed some key issues for the meet.

**TUESDAY**

**STEWARDS' MEETING**

10/28/25<sup>1</sup> All three Stewards were in this morning to answer any questions regarding the Breeders' Cup entries or CHRB rules. The morning went very well, with no major issues to report.

10/28/25<sup>2</sup> **2025 BREEDERS' CUP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP STEWARDS' MEETING**  
A Stewards' meeting that was held this morning in the Breeders Cup Breakfast Marquee. Drew Fleming (Breeders' Cup President & CEO) and Dora Delgado (Breeders' Cup Executive V.P., Chief Racing Officer) both chaired the meeting. Present in the meeting was Executive Director Scott Chaney, Deputy Executive Director Cynthia Alameda, Chief Steward Darrel McHargue, Safety Steward David Nuesch, Safety Steward Paul Atkinson and Enforcement/Licensing Interim Chief Hunter Bartholomew. Don Aherns (HISA Security), Will Farmer (Breeders' Cup Veterinarian Chief) and Marc Guilfoil (HISA Director of Stewarding) were also in attendance.

The meeting lasted about one (1) hour.

We discussed BC/Del Mar Barn Area Security Program, BC-CHRB-Del Mar Veterinary Inspection Program, Morning Workouts & Schooling, Scratch Procedures-Training and Morning of Race Days, Health & Safety Briefing, Opening Ceremonies Friday & Saturday-Timings, Assembly call Over-Round Barn, Paddock Plan, Jockeys Talk With Stewards Each Race Day, Equipment Worn to Post, Inquiries/Objections, Injury Management Plan Horse & Human-Scratch Protocols during Race, NBC/FanDuel TV, Winner's Circle Setup, Crisis Plan and Post-Race Testing. This was a very informative meeting and answered questions.

### **WEDNESDAY QUICK MEETING**

10/29/25<sup>1</sup> Executive Director Scott Chaney, Deputy Executive Director Cynthia Alameda, Chief Steward Darrel McHargue, Executive Assistant Rita Baker and the Stewards' met in our office this morning to discuss some procedural issues for this weekend. CHRB staff has been very busy answering questions this week preparing for the Breeders' Cup.

10/29/25<sup>2</sup> **JAPAN RACING CONNECTION MEETING**  
Breeders' Cup Japanese Representative Kate Hunter was in to seek permission for equipment and for paddock assistance from the outriders. Ms. Hunter has always been very prepared with her requests and most of her requests were granted.

### **THURSDAY FILM REVIEW**

10/30/25<sup>1</sup> Jockey CRISTOBAL HERRERA was in to review Santa Anita's Sunday's seventh race in which he may have possibly violated the riding crop rule. After reviewing the race several times, we warned Mr. Herrera that he needs to be more careful on how he uses his riding crop out of the starting gate. He agreed and promised he would correct it.

### **NBC MEETING**

We participated in a meeting with the NBC analysts and their production staff to answer any questions they might have. Also present in the office were CHRB

Executive Director Scott Chaney, Breeders' Cup President Drew Fleming, Breeders' Cup Executive Vice President Dora Delgado, HISA Chief Executive officer Lisa Lazarus, HIWU Executive Director Ben Mosier, Chief Steward Darrel McHargue.

10/30/25<sup>3</sup>

**BREEDERS' CUP VETERINARIANS MEETING**

After the races all the Stewards attended a Breeders' Cup Veterinarian meeting in the grandstand to discuss veterinarian procedures and the responsibility of all the officials and staff. Present in the meeting were Breeders' Cup Veterinarians, CHRB Veterinarians, HIWU representatives, Del Mar Horse Ambulance staff, Del Mar Vice President/Risk Management Kim Jacobson, CHRB Safety Stewards and all three of the Stewards.

10/30/25<sup>4</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$414.86
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#2 Western Freedom- Claimed by M. Glatt, trainer #4 Fly Zapper- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, injured 6 Far Western- Claimed by J. Mendoza, trainer Refund: \$1,110.20
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$0.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Cultural- Claimed by S. Morfin, trainer
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$0.00
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$0.00
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$48.00
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Start the Ride- LATE Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Cassady, injured #7 Tommy Norris- LATE Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Cassady, injured. Refund: \$ 232,316.89
9 <sup>th</sup> Race	#11 Madonna of Loreto- Stewards' scratch- also eligible Refund: \$730.29

10/30/25<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	3,613	650,520.19
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	1,588	2,059,304.66
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	n/a	7,141,295.85
<b>TOTAL</b>	5,201	9,851,120.70

**FRIDAY**

10/31/25<sup>1</sup>

**BREEDERS' CUP SCRATCH MEETING**

At approximately 8am this morning Executive Vice President Dora Delgado, Breeders' Cup Racing Tom Robbins, Del Mar Director of Mutuels William Navarro, Mutuels Office Assistant Tracy Block, Assistant Racing Secretary Zach Soto, and Del Mar Racing Office Charlie McCaul. We went over scratches for today's races and early scratches for Saturday races.

10/31/25<sup>2</sup>

**STEWARDS' INQUIRY/NO CHANGE (2nd race turf)**

We posted the inquiry sign to review two incidents in the stretch. The first incident involved the #5 Plutarch (F. Prat 3rd) and the #9 Caro Buono (FR) (T. Gaffalione 5th) in which the #9 steady when entering a tight space at the 1/8th pole. After speaking to both riders and reviewing the race several times, we

(unanimous) made no change to the order to the finish. We felt the #9 tried entering a tight quarter, where Mr. Gaffalione did not have enough room to enter.

The second incident involved the #5 and the #8 Dr. Agne (J. Ortiz 4th), in which the #5 shifted out made contact with #8 right at the finish line. After speaking to both riders and thorough review of the race, we made no change. In a unanimous opinion, the incident occurred right at the finish line, and did not cost the #8 a spot.

10/31/25<sup>3</sup>

**STEWARDS' INQUIRY/NO CHANGE (3<sup>RD</sup> Race)**

We posted the inquiry sign to review an incident entering the stretch involving the winner #9 Mohaven (H. Berrios) and the second-place horse #6 Cashed (T. Gaffalione). The winner #9 shifted inward in the stretch making contact with #6. After speaking with the jockeys involved and reviewing the video several times, we made no change to the order of finish. In a unanimous opinion, the incident did not warrant a disqualification, therefore, no change was made.

10/31/25<sup>4</sup>

**STEWARDS' INQUIRY/ NO CHANGE**

We conducted an inquiry to review the start of the #4 Pavlovian (J. Hernandez) in which he stumbled leaving the starting gate unseating the rider. After reviewing the race several times, we made no change to the order of finish. The video shows the #4 stumble on his own, at no fault by any other participants. The decision was unanimous.

10/31/25<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	#7 Known Idea- Stewards' scratch- full field #13 Latitude- Stewards' scratch- also eligible Refund: \$28,717.79
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#7 Later Than Planned (IRE) - Stewards' scratch- trainer withdrawn. Refund: \$32,855.81
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#2 Cee Drew- LATE Veterinarian scratch - Dr. Pattio, flipped at the receiving barn. Refund: \$30,690.28
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	#3 Tahini- LATE Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Cassady, unsound #5 Sunglow (IRE) - Stewards' scratch - stake #7 Puo Magic (JPN) - Stewards' scratch - stake Refund: \$145,326.62
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$1,538.70
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Military Code (GB) - Stewards' scratch - trainer withdrawn #14 Should've - Stewards' scratch - also eligible #15 Bobrovsky- Stewards' scratch - also eligible #16 Rogue Legend (GB) - Stewards' scratch - enter back #17 Bacio- Stewards' scratch- enter back. Refund: \$39,968.03
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$6,766.49
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	#13 Precise (IRE) - Stewards' scratch - trainer withdrawn Refund: \$88,317.60
9 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Blackout Time - Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Cassady, unsound

10<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Civil Liberty - Stewards' scratch- trainer withdrawn  
Refund: \$43,849.78  
#15 Caro Buono (FR) - Stewards' scratch- also eligible  
Refund: \$2,500.00

10/31/25<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	30,059	6,216,798.25
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	5,275	1,891,110.88
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	n/a	53,303,530.03
<b>TOTAL</b>	35,334	61,411,439.16

**SATURDAY SCRATCH MEETING**

11/01/25<sup>1</sup>

Again, we met at approximately 8am this morning with Executive Vice President Dora Delgado, Breeders' Cup Racing Tom Robbins, Del Mar Director of Mutuels William Navarro, Mutuels Office Assistant Tracy Block, Assistant Racing Secretary Zach Soto, and Del Mar Racing Office Charlie McCaul. We went over scratches and changes for Saturday races.

11/01/25<sup>2</sup>

**FILM REVIEW**

Jockeys Guild Manager DARRELL HAIRE was in representing Jockeys TYLER GAFFAILIONE and FLAVIEN PRAT for yesterday's second race in which they were involved in a Steward Inquiry.

Regarding Mr. Gaffalione's incident, Mr. Haire stated that Mr. Gaffalione told him he thought he had enough space prior to entering the hole. We thought he entered a very tight opening, and his ride was a little aggressive. We issued him a warning to be more cautious in the future.

Pertaining to Mr. Prat, Mr. Haire stated that the lead horse floated out in front of him forcing him out. We agreed the lead horse did float out, but he could have just taken back. We felt the incident did not warrant a penalty, but worthy of a warning.

11/01/25<sup>3</sup>

**MURPHY RULING**

Jockey OISIN MURPHY was issued the following ruling after he took full responsibility and accepted the penalty for being extremely late to the paddock for yesterday's fourth race, and had to get on his horse in the tunnel. Mr. Murphy stated that he lost track of time.

**DFTD Ruling #01**

Jockey OISIN MURPHY, who rode MARIAN CROSS (GB) in the fourth race (Senator Ken Maddy Stakes) on October 31, 2025 is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases not covered by Rule and Regulations – Late to Paddock).

11/01/25<sup>4</sup>

**SATURDAY'S BREEDERS' CUP RACES**

The eleven-race card went very well with no inquiries or objection to report. Any changes or late declarations are listed below. Southern California race fans were treated to the top thoroughbreds and jockeys in the world.

11/01/25<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #12 Twirling Point- Stewards' scratch- enter back  
 #13 Phosphorecence (FR) - Stewards' scratch- also eligible  
 #14 Aligato- Stewards' scratch- enter back  
 #15 Beef Winslow- Stewards' scratch- also eligible  
 #16 Flashiest- Stewards' scratch- also eligible  
 Refund: \$70,760.86

2<sup>nd</sup> Race #2 Tall Paul - Stewards' scratch- full field  
 #12 Red Flag - Claimed by J. Mullins, trainer  
 Refund: \$15,955.49

3<sup>rd</sup> Race #11 Certitude (FR)- Stewards' scratch- stake  
 #12 Sun Of Hill (BRZ) - Veterinarian scratch - Dr. Pattio, injured. Refund: \$16,986.57

4<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Tamara - Veterinarian scratch - Dr. Grande, injured  
 #5 Fee Blanche (JPN)-Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Grande, injured  
 #6 Sweet Azteca - Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Grande, injured. Refund: \$120,894.37

5<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Arizona Blaze (GB) - Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Grande, unsound  
 #14 Yellow Card- Stewards' scratch- also eligible  
 #15 No Nay Hudson (IRE) Stewards' scratch - also eligible  
 #16 Incanto (IRE) - Stewards' scratch - also eligible  
 Refund: \$26,010.94

6<sup>th</sup> Race #15 Valiant Force - Stewards' scratch also eligible  
 Refund: \$4,230.21

7<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Scottish Lassie - Stewards' scratch- trainer's withdrawn  
 Refund: \$5,184.64

8<sup>th</sup> Race No changes. Refund: \$92.00

9<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Sovereignty - Stewards' scratch - trainer's withdrawn  
 Refund \$5,102.67

10<sup>th</sup> Race No changes. Refund: \$3,879.95

11<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Mystik Dan - Veterinarian scratch - Dr. Grande, unsound  
 #10 White Abarrio - LATE Veterinarian scratch - Dr. Cassady, unsound. Refund: \$948,768.61

12<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Stellify – Veterinarian scratch – Dr. Lamparter, injured  
 Refund: \$10,218.86

11/01/25<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	35,173	11,862,379.50
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	9,591	3,996,236.18
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	n/a	102,169,837.73
<b>TOTAL</b>	44,764	118,028,453.41

**SUNDAY**  
11/02/25<sup>1</sup>

**QUIET MORNING**

Sunday morning went very smooth with no major issues. We spent the morning handling scratches and preparing for the afternoon.

11/02/25<sup>2</sup>

**STEWARD' INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION**

We posted the inquiry sign after the running of the seventh race (turf) for an incident in the stretch involving the #4 Flashiest (A. Ayuso 2nd), #1 Spycatcher (A. Lezcano 3rd) and the #3 Reiquist (K. Kimura 4th). After reviewing the video several times and speaking to the jockeys involved we unanimously voted to disqualify the #1 and place him fourth behind the #3 for interference. In our opinion the #1 shifted out making contact with the #4 who bumped into the #3 costing the #3 a better placing, who was beaten a neck.

Unofficial order 5-4-(1)-3-1-2-6

Official order 5-4-3-(1)-1-2-6

11/02/25<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$0.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	#4 Doo Wop Don - Claimed by J. Mullins, trainer
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$11.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$27.90
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$0.00
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	#1 Saint Mihiel - Claimed by C. Treece, trainer #7 Thirsty Trickster - Claimed by J. Mullins
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$299.42
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes. Refund: \$115.00
9 <sup>th</sup> Race	#3 Proof He Rides- Claimed by J. Mullins, trainer #5 Irish Corn – Veterinarian scratch - Dr. Cassidy, injured Refund: \$2,608.00

11/02/25<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	3,230	518,946.02
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	3,878	3,460,556.30
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	n/a	6,557,360.05
<b>TOTAL</b>	7,108	10,536,862.37

**VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 10/26/25 TO 11/02/25**

Horses on Vet List	25
Horses off Vet List	19
Shock Wave Therapy	2
Fatalities	2
Medication	-0-

**SUMMARY**

	<b>No Racing</b>	<b>Thur 10/30</b>	<b>Fri 10/31</b>	<b>Sat 11/01</b>	<b>Sun 11/02</b>	<b>Week</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	n/a	0	1	0	0	1
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>		2	0	0	0	2
<b>Claims</b>	n/a	3	0	2	4	9
<b>Disqualifications</b>		0	0	0	1	1
<b>Inquiries</b>	n/a	0	3	0	1	4
<b>Refunds</b>		5	10	12	5	32
<b>Rulings</b>	n/a	0	0	1	0	1
<b>Voided Claims</b>		0	0	0	0	0

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Grant Baker, Steward

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