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Report for the Week of Wednesday, September 9, through Sunday, September 13, 2026.

WEDNESDAY9/9/26¹**DUTY STEWARD**

Tom Ward will be on duty this week for entries, veterinary panel, scratches and changes. Since the "day" thoroughbred meet is likely competing for horses, it seems almost certain that entries will be difficult to come by.

9/9/26²**SATURDAY ENTRIES**

There was a pleasant surprise with respect to entries today as an eight-race card was finalized by 4:30 P.M. While the card is comprised of mainly two-year-old Quarter Horses, a mixed-breed race and the Grade I Mildred Vessels Handicap add some dimension to the night's racing.

THURSDAY9/10/26¹**SUNDAY ENTRIES/SATURDAY SCRATCHES AND VET PANEL/DAVID NUESCH RETURN**

Steward David Nuesch is back from his tour of duty at Del Mar, looking tan but not well rested. Del Mar is a grind, no matter what others say.

Entries for Sunday are being accepted this morning, with the hope that the process goes as well as the Saturday card. The Los Alamitos "panel" met this morning, resulting in one "hard watch" horse for Saturday. There are some two-year-olds on the card shipping from out of state which have run on Lasix previously. Since this jurisdiction does not allow the drug to be used in two-year-olds, there could be health concerns for them performing without the diuretic.

Scratch time passed with no major changes.

FRIDAY9/11/26¹**SUNDAY PANEL AND SCRATCHES**

The racing office crew somehow managed to find forty-eight equines for an eight-race program. This includes ten head in the PCQHRA Breeders Futurity. The panel met today, resulting in five horses making the "hard watch" list. There were no scratches or changes.

REMEMBER THOSE WHO PERISHED IN THE 9/11 MASSACRE 25 YEARS AGO

SATURDAY9/12/26¹**VERY QUIET EVENING**

The eight-race card this evening was completed with nothing of substance to report.

9/12/26²**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1ST Race No Changes
2nd Race No Changes
3rd Race No Changes
4th Race No Changes
5th Race No Changes
6th Race No Changes
7th Race No Changes
8th Race No Changes

9/12/26³**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

ON TRACK	753	\$85,355.60
SCOTWINC	975	\$188,863.10
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$693,034.20
TOTAL	1,728	\$967,252.90

SUNDAY9/13/26¹**RULINGS #73 - #75**

The Stewards have received decisions adopted by the California Horse Racing Board on three medication cases. Therefore, the following rulings were issued:

Ruling #73

After a Proposed Decision adopted by the California Horse Racing Board on September 11, 2026, and pursuant to the Board's Decision Order, the following ruling is now issued:

Trainer Monty Arrossa is hereby suspended and fined as follows pursuant to CHRB Rule No. 1887 for violation of CHRB Rules 1843(a), (b) and (d), 1843.1, 1867 and 1869, for the presence of Carmoterol (a Class 1 / penalty A substance) in two post-race urine samples and three out-of-competition urine samples:

A. Penalties for Case No. 24LA0279 (sample date October 20, 2024, out-of-competition):

- (1) Three-year suspension;
- (2) \$25,000 fine;
- (3) 6 points pursuant to Rule 1843.4, to expire in 3 years (penalty class A).

B. Penalties for Case No. 24LA0280 (sample date October 20, 2024, out-of-competition):

- (1) Three-year suspension;
- (2) \$25,000 fine;
- (3) 6 points pursuant to Rule 1843.4, to expire in 3 years (penalty class A).

C. Penalties for Case No. 24LA0289 (sample date October 27, 2024, post-race):

- (1) Three-year suspension;
- (2) \$268,450 fine (25% of \$1,073,800 purse);
- (3) 6 points pursuant to Rule 1843.4, to expire in 3 years (penalty class A).

D. Penalties for Case No. 24LA0290 (sample date November 10, 2024, post-race):

- (1) Three-year suspension;
- (2) \$198,750 fine (25% of \$795,000 purse);
- (3) 6 points pursuant to Rule 1843.4, to expire in 3 years (penalty class A).

E. Penalties for Case No. 24LA0298 (sample date November 30, 2024, out-of-competition):

(1) Three-year suspension;

(2) \$50,000 fine;

(3) 6 points pursuant to Rule 1843.4, to expire in 3 years (penalty class A).

Suspensions are to run consecutively, for a total suspension period of fifteen years, and shall commence on September 21, 2026, and continue through September 20, 2041.

Ruling #74

After a Proposed Decision adopted by the California Horse Racing Board on September 11, 2026, and pursuant to the Board's Decision Order, the following ruling is now issued:

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse), Trainer Jesus Nunez is suspended THIRTY DAYS (30) and fined ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00) * for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (a, b and d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances) and #1843.1 (b) (Prohibited Drug Substances – Tramadol – Class 2 Penalty B). Additionally, in accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1843.4 (Multiple Medication Violations), Jesus Nunez is assessed two (2) points.

Suspension shall commence on September 21, 2026, and continue through October 20, 2026.

Ruling #75

After a Proposed Decision adopted by the California Horse Racing Board on September 11, 2026, and pursuant to the Board's Decision Order, the following ruling is now issued:

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse), Trainer Ramiro Zuazo is suspended for a period of NINETY DAYS (90) and fined TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances), #1843.1 (a) (Prohibited Drug Substances), #1843.4 (Multiple Medication Violations), and #1869 (Prohibited Drug Substances in Out-of-Competition Drug Testing – Clenbuterol – Class 3 Penalty A).

Additionally, the Respondent is to remain on probation for a period of one year from the date this case is resolved.

Suspension shall commence on September 21, 2026, and continue through December 19, 2026.

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REFUND

A refund was ordered in the second race as #4 Mission Possible flipped while being saddled, prompting Racing Veterinarian Fitzgerald to recommend the horse be declared. The refund amounted to \$1,553.56.

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CLAIM VOIDED

A claim for #3 Otherwordly, deposited by trainer Jorge Farias prior to the third race, was voided as Official Veterinarian Beck reported the horse was "off" in the right foreleg while in the detention barn. The horse was returned to the barn of trainer Valentin Zamudio.

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RIDER CHANGE-DOUBLE JOCKEY FEE

Owner Francisco Flores called early in the card, requesting permission to make a late rider switch in the sixth race. He said the rider originally named, Henry Lopez, should have been removed at scratch time. He was willing to pay a "double jockey fee" to make the switch, which meant that Lopez received whatever the rider who rides the horse earns. Mr. Lopez agreed to the financial arrangement, and Armando Viramontes was announced as the rider. The horse ultimately finished third.

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FUTURITY NIGHT

The eight-race card was run without incident; there were no Stewards' inquiries or jockey objections.

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DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race No Changes

2nd Race #4 Mission Possible (Tr. M. Casselman) Late Paddock – Stewards – Refund: \$1,553.56

3rd Race No Changes

4th Race No Changes

5th Race No Changes

6th Race No Changes

7th Race No Changes

8th Race No Changes

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DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	562	\$73,261.60
SCOTWINC	830	\$159,153.90
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$765,145.88
TOTAL	1,392	\$997,561.38

SUMMARY

	Fri 9/11	Sat 9/12	Sun 9/13	Week	Meet
Accidents	D	0	0	0	9
Cal-Bred Races	A	0	0	0	16
Claims	R	0	0	0	58
Disqualifications	K	0	0	0	13
Inquiries	-	0	0	0	35
Refunds	D	0	1	1	240
Rulings	A	0	3	3	75
Voided Claims	Y	0	1	1	20

Tom Ward, Steward

David Nuesch, Steward

Ron Church, Steward

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