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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE
Cypress, California

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Report for the Week of Wednesday, November 4, through Sunday, November 8, 2026.

WEDNESDAY

11/04/26[1] **DUTY STEWARD**

Steward Ron Church was present to supervise entries for Saturday, November 7, 2026, and will record the minutes for this reporting period.

THURSDAY

11/05/26[1] **OFFICIAL CHANGE**

Steward Paul Atkinson will join the Board of Stewards at Los Alamitos Race Course today he will be replacing Steward David Nuesch who will be assigned to Safety Stewards duties at Del Mar.

11/05/26[2] **ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Ron Church was present to supervise entries for Sunday November 8, 2026, and changes to Saturday's program.

11/05/26[3] **ENTRY PANEL**

The entry panel met this morning to review the entries for Saturday's program. Following the review there were no recommended changes from the panel.

11/05/26[4] **COMPLAINT #26LA0100**

The Stewards conducted a tape-recorded hearing today to address a California Horse Racing Board complaint filed against Sophia Schmidt, DVM, alleging violations of California Horse Racing Board rules #1842(Veterinarian Report) and #1843.5(Medication, Drugs and Other Substances Permitted After Entry in a Race).
Present, in addition to the Board of Stewards, were DVM Sophia Schmidt and California Horse Racing Board Supervising Investigator Kevin Kitashima, who read the complaint into the record. Dr. Schmidt was advised of her rights to counsel and agreed to go forward without representation.

Dr. Schmidt was very candid by acknowledging that she was late submitting her electronic treatment forms. After Dr. Schmidt testified on her own behalf and evidence was entered into the record. The hearing was concluded. Decision forthcoming.

FRIDAY

11/06/26[1] **ENTRY PANEL**

The entry panel met this morning to review the entries for Sunday's program. Following the review there were two recommended scratches from the panel.

11/06/26[2] **SCRATCHES AND CHANGES**

Steward Ron Church was present to supervise scratches and changes to Sunday's program.

SATURDAY

11/07/26[1] **RULING #92**

Ruling #92

Veterinarian Sophia Schmidt will receive an OFFICIAL WARNING for failure to submit confidential veterinarian reports at the proper time. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1842 (Veterinarian Report).

After due deliberation concerning complaint #26LA0100 (Ref. – 11-05-2026[4]) the foregoing ruling was issued. The decision was unanimous.

11/07/26[2] **RULING #93**

Ruling #93

Jockey ALFREDO BAUTISTA is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement), causing a late jockey change in the first race at Los Alamitos Race Course on November 1, 2026.

The above ruling was issued as Mr. Bautista failed to fulfill his first two riding engagements on November 1, 2026.

11/07/26[3] **RULING #94 AND #96**

Ruling #94

Jockey GABRIEL LARA is fined SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS ($750.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1688 (b) (8) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times during the running of the race) while riding Gorgeous Guy in the fifth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on November 1, 2026.

Ruling #96

Jockey OSVALDO MACIAS is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1688 (b) (8) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times during the running of the race) while riding Sassy Lulu in the sixth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on November 1, 2026.

The foregoing rulings were issued after Mr. Lara and Mr. Macias failed to appear to explain their violation of the crop rule.

11/07/26[4] **RULING #95**

Ruling #95

Jockey HENRY REYNOSO LOPEZ is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($500.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1688 (b) (8) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times during the running of the race) while riding Eclipses in the sixth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on November 1, 2026.

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Lopez and the Stewards reviewed the sixth race from Sunday November 1, 2026. Mr. Lopez acknowledged he violated the crop rule and accepted the penalty imposed.

11/07/26[5] **RULING #97**

Ruling #97

Jockey ARMANDO CERVANTES is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1682 (Weighing Out – reporting incorrect overweight to the Clerk of Scales) prior to the seventh race at Los Alamitos Race Course on November 1, 2026.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Mr. Cervantes failed to report his correct weight to the clerk of scales.

11/07/26[6] **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race #1 Comedy Town (Tr. Vann Belvoir) Turned over in starting gate during loading. Track Veterinarian Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund: $22,579.81
2nd Race #4 Tight Dally (Jockey Edgar Payeras) Replaced by Christobal Herrera
#6 Scorching Hot (Tr. Robert Lucas) Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund: $171.95
#9 Mashie Niblick (Tr. Steven Miyadi) Claimed by Tr. Angela Aquino
3rd Race #6 Storm Louisiana (Tr. Paul Jones) Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund: $97.95
4th Race #3 J La Poderosa (Tr. Jaime Gomez) Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund: $224.00
#5 Twin Falls (Jockey Joseph Belloc Jr.) Replaced by Martin Arriaga
5th Race No Changes
6th Race No Changes
7th Race #3 Famous Favorite Rock (Tr. J. Gonzales ll) Injured Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund $246.70
#7 Good Reason Jess (Tr. Angela Aquino) Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund $138.80
8th Race No Changes

11/07/26[7] **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

ON TRACK	863	$73,571.00
SCOTWINC	892	$203,334.90
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	$636,460.21
TOTAL	1,755	$913,366.11

SUNDAY

11/08/26[1] **RULING #98**

Ruling #98

Apprentice Jockey ALI HUSAIN is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100.00)* for failure to report his proper weight to the Clerk of Scales prior to the second race at Los Alamitos Race Course on November 7, 2026. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1682 (Weighing Out).

The forgoing ruling was issued after Mr. Husain failed to report his correct weight to the clerk of scales.

11/08/26[2] **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race #5 Susie's Loaded (Jockey Francisco Monroy) Replaced by Cristobal Herrera
#6 She's Back (Tr. Oscar Heredia) Claimed by Tr. Jamey Thomas
2nd Race #6 Just A Little Luck (Tr. Antonio Flores) Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund $753.29
3rd Race No Changes
4th Race #1 Candy Run (Tr. Angela Aquino) Claimed by Tr. Charles Treece
5th Race #2 Perikina (Tr. Paul Jones) Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald – Refund $286.31

6th Race No Changes
7th Race No Changes
8th Race No Changes
9th Race No Changes

11/08/26[3] **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

ON TRACK	762	$104,895.90
SCOTWINC	769	$202,495.60
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	$1,075,898.25
TOTAL	1,531	$1,383,289.75

SUMMARY

	Fri 11/6	Sat 11/7	Sun 11/8	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	9
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	0	0	16
Claims	0	1	2	3	76
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	17
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	43
Refunds	0	6	2	8	302
Rulings	0	6	1	7	98
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	23

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Ron Church, Steward

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Tom Ward, Steward

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Paul Atkinson, Steward

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