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**Report of the Board of Stewards
To the California Horse Racing Board**

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 Honorable Gregory L. Ferraro DVM, Member
 Honorable Fred Maas, Member
 Honorable Araceli Ruano, Member
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 Darrel McHargue, Chief Steward

Report for the period Wednesday, July 03, 2019 through Sunday, July 07, 2019.

WEDNESDAY

07-03-19¹ **DUTY STEWARD**

Steward Dennis Nevin was present on this non race day to oversee entries for Saturday and to be available to interpret any Steward's issues which may arise.

THURSDAY

07-04-19¹ **BONNET RULING**

RULING NO.19

Jockey **CHESTER BONNET** is hereby fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement) on June 29, 2019 in the first race at the Alameda County Fair.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Bonnet appeared before this panel to explain why he failed to fulfill his riding engagement on Saturday, June 29, 2019.

07-04-19² **INFORMAL HEARING – GONZALEZ**

Trainer Reina Gonzalez opted for an informal hearing in case #19GG0104. After studying the complaint, hearing testimony and taking all the facts under consideration this Board of Stewards was unanimous in issuing a written warning to be attached to Ms. Gonzalez' record.

07-04-19³ **CHIEF STEWARD VISIT**

Darrel McHargue stopped in to discuss issues surrounding present day racing in California.

07-04-19⁴ **PROGRAM CHANGES**

4 th race: #4 FANTASTIC ARAGORN	(Tr. W. Delia)
Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 79.90
5 th race: #2 SILKEN QUEEN	(Tr. V. Trujillo)
Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 225.80
6 th race: #2 GRACIE'S GIRL	(Tr. M. Stortz)
Injured – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 173.20
8 th race: #1 ALGENON	(Tr. D. Offield)
Sick – Sara Sporer D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ see below
#7 PURE COMEDY	(Tr. B. McLean)
Sick – Sara Sporer D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 693.60

07-04-19⁵ **RACE 1 – JOCKEY OBJECTION**

Jockey Chester Bonnet, #4 COOPER'S DASHER, lodged a foul on the advice of Assistant Trainer Ramon Pulido against the winner #5 CHASE THE MONEY. Video showed #4 COOPER'S DASHER running erratic throughout the race. The Stewards were unanimous that the result of the race was unaffected and there would be no change to the order of finish.

07-04-19⁶ **RACE 3 – POST RACE INCIDENT**

After the running of this three hundred and fifty (350) yard Quarter horse Stakes the #1 JESS FOR CUCU was pulled up and unsaddled at the 6 ½ marker. JESS FOR CUCU walked onto the Equine Ambulance and was given a ride to its barn with a possible tendon injury.

07-04-19⁷ **RACE 5 – STEWARDS INQUIRY**

The Inquiry sign was illuminated after the finish of this race to review an incident at the start. NO SPIN ZONE, #6 with Jockey Frank Alvarado, stumbled badly at the start unseating the rider. Video shows the ground appeared to break away from the horse causing him to go to his knees and that there was no interference from any other parties. The Inquiry was taken down and the race was made Official. Mr. Alvarado was examined and released to fulfill his remaining riding engagements. NO SPIN ZONE appeared to be uninjured.

07-04-19⁸ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

ACF	4058	\$	410,776.77
NCOT	1710	\$	747,314.48
SCOT		\$	188,360.70
<u>Out of State</u>		\$	<u>540,403.62</u>
TOTAL	5768	\$	1,886,855.57

Friday07-05-19¹ **RULING NO.20**

In accordance with a stipulated agreement with the California Horse Racing Board Trainer **JESSIE PACHECO** who started the horses **ALONG CAME JANE**, second place finisher in the second race at Cal-Expo on April 12, 2019 and **SHEZ A SWIFT** third place finisher

in the first race at Cal-Expo on April 19, 2019 is hereby suspended **thirty (30)** days, fined the sum of **three thousand dollars (\$3,000)*** and placed on probation for One (1) year from the date of this ruling pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (a) (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a) & (d) (Medications, Drugs and Other Substances) and #1843.1 (a) (Prohibited Drug Substances) and #1844 (c) (2) Authorized Medication (Flunixin "ALONG CAME JANE" 31.5 ng/ml and "SHEZ A SWIFT 27.8 ng/ml [Class 4 – multiple offenses]),

Pursuant to the stipulated agreement **fifteen (15)** days of the **thirty (30)** days of suspension shall be stayed and the **fifteen (15)** day suspension shall be served from **November 9, 2019** through **November 23, 2019** inclusive. During the period of probation **Mr. Pacheco** must not be in violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843, #1843.6 and #1887 regarding Class 1,2,3 or 4 drug substances or the above referenced fifteen (15) days shall be lifted and be imposed after notice and hearing.

The above ruling was released after a Stipulated Agreement was reached between the California Horse Racing Board and Trainer Jessie Pacheco.

07-05-19² **HERRERA RULING NO.21**

Jockey **HUGO HERERRA** who rode **OZIL** in the second race at the Alameda County Fair on Thursday, July 4, 2019 is hereby fined the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (use of Riding Crop – used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond [second offense in the past sixty days]).

Jockey Hugo Herrera reviewed video from Thursday's second race with the Stewards and agreed that he used the crop in violation of the rule.

07-05-19³ **DELIA FORMAL HEARING**

A formal hearing for case #19GG0110 regarding a possible disqualification was formally opened. In the defendants opening remarks part Owner Patricia George indicated that she was not properly notified and, thus, was unable to request a "split sample" for confirmation. It was recommended by Steward Nevin to California Horse Racing Board Investigator Louis Quezada that he meet with the defendants to give them the proper paperwork associated with the complaint and amend the complaint to include all the owners and jockey. After deliberation this Board of Stewards voted for a "continuance" at a later date and closed this session.

07-05-19⁴ **PROGRAM CHANGES**

2 nd race:	Jockey change #3 NATIONAL NICOLE - Jesus Velasquez for Pablo Flores	
8 th race:	#2 RAIDERETTE	(Tr. V. Trujillo)
	Injured – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 135.50
9 th race:	#3 HOPE WINS	(Tr. W. Delia)
	Injured – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 313.10

07-05-19⁵ **RACE 2 – STEWARDS REVIEW**

The start of the second race, including the actions of #3 NATIONAL NICOLE, were reviewed by this panel and shown to the public. Video clearly shows #3 NATIONAL NICOLE breaking inward almost unseating Jockey Velasquez. The Stewards agreed that NATIONAL NICOLE caused her own problems.

07-05-19⁶ **RACE 4 – STEWARDS INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**

Actions nearing the one sixteenth (1/16) pole between the place horse #1 SHIFTY DANCER and the show horse #5 TYPHOON HARRY were being scrutinized. Video shows #1 SHIFTY DANCER drifting in front of #5 TYPHOON HARRY, but there was daylight as the #5 TYPHOON HARRY was tiring and losing ground. After talking with the riders, it was unanimous, by the Stewards, that the order of finish was not altered. The race was declared Official.

07-05-19⁷ **RACE 7 - VOIDED CLAIM**

The claim of #2 MARRIED BY NOW by Quinn Howey was voided by the Stewards after Dr. Franklin D.V.M. reported that the horse was off in both front legs. MARRIED BY NOW was returned to the care of Trainer D. Wayne Baker.

07-05-19⁸ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

ACF	3919	\$	334,894.19
NCOT	1467	\$	600,306.64
SCOT		\$	189,768.40
Out of State		\$	513,851.09
TOTAL	5386	\$	1,638,820.32

Saturday07-06-19¹ **PULIDO MEETING**

Assistant Trainer Ramon Pulido came in as requested to talk about an Inquiry which was called on Thursday (refer 07-04-19¹). Jockey Chester Bonnet told Steward Meyers on the phone from the Winner's Circle that he was calling upon the urging of Pulido. Mr. Pulido denied that fact and after Bonnet said, "I think I got bothered," Pulido told him "Bonnet, if you want to call one, call one its up to you." (Refer 07-06-19⁶ below).

07-06-19² **JESUS ARRIAGA RULING #22**

Jockey **JESUS ARRIAGA** who rode **PRICE CHECK** in the first race at the Alameda County Fair on Friday, July 5, 2019 is hereby fined the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (use of Riding Crop – used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond [second offense in the past sixty days]).

Jockey Jesus Arriaga reviewed video from Friday's first race with this Panel. After watching the replay Mr. Arriaga concurred that he used the crop one time too many.

07-06-19³ **JOAN ORR BEACH – RULING #23**

Trainer **JOAN ORR BEACH** is hereby fined the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00)* for failure to follow proper procedure, declaring shoes off, when entering the mule **PRICE CHECK** who ran in the first race on July 5, 2019 at the Alameda County Fair; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1853 (b) (Examination Required).

Trainer Joan Orr Beach met with the Stewards to explain why the mule PRICE CHECK was entered without the correct shoe information. Ms. Beach stated that she did not know that "NO SHOES" had to be declared each time you enter. Ms. Beach was told that she should read California Horse Racing Board rule 1853 and the Overnight.

07-06-19⁴ **PABLO FLORES – RULING #24**

Jockey **PABLO FLORES** is hereby fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement) on July 05, 2019 in the second race at the Alameda County Fair.

Jockey Pablo Flores addressed this Panel regarding his failure to ride the horse he was named on for Friday, July 5, 2019. Mr. Flores stated that after seeing the Past Performance line on the horse he wasn't comfortable riding. Mr. Flores was told that if he gives a call he is obligated to ride and that "Scratch Time" is the proper time to make changes, not the morning of the race.

07-06-19⁵ **LUIS GODOY - RULING #25**

Jockey **LUIS GODOY** who rode **FAST PATSY B** in the first race at the Alameda County Fair on Friday, July 5, 2019 is hereby fined the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (use of Riding Crop – used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond [second offense in the past sixty days]).

Jockey Luis Godoy met with the Stewards to discuss his use, or in this case, misuse of the riding crop in the previous day's first race. Video clearly shows a fourth strike which resulted in the above ruling.

07-06-19⁶ **CHESTER BONNET - RULING #26**

Jockey **CHESTER BONNET** is hereby fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for lodging a frivolous claim of foul following the first race on July 4, 2019; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1758 (Inaccurate Protest).

Jockey Chester Bonnet appeared before the Stewards as requested. Mr. Bonnet had claimed foul after the running of the first race on Thursday and stated that it was upon the Assistant Trainer's request (refer 07-04-19⁵). After talking with Assistant Trainer Pulido (refer 07-06-19¹) and reviewing video of the race with Jockey Bonnet the above ruling was issued.

07-06-19⁷ **PROGRAM CHANGES**

3rd race: Jockey change #3 AURA MAKARINA – Chester Bonnet for Cristobal Herrera
 4th race: #6 CALL ME KENT (Tr. J. Wong)
 Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M. REFUND: \$ 23.60
 8th race: #2 ROYAL CHARM (Tr. E. Rich)
 Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M. REFUND: \$ 195.00

07-06-19⁸ **LATE SCRATCH – RACE 7**

After refusing to enter the Starting Gate on several attempts #4 JILLSREWARD (Tr. R. Perez) was scratched by the Stewards on the advice of Head Starter Todd Stephens. The refund amounted to \$59,602.45.

07-06-19⁹ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

ACF	4085	\$	466,343.23
NCOT	2248	\$	1,035,590.08
SCOT		\$	298,826.30
Out of State		\$	768,932.94
TOTAL	6333	\$	2,569,692.55

Sunday

07-07-19¹ **ARRIAGA RULING NO.27**

Jockey **MARTIN ARRIAGA** having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at the Alameda County Fair on or before July 6, 2019 is hereby suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer charges alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers), #1489 (a) (10) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation).

The above ruling was issued due to Mr. Arriaga’s failure to appear as notified.

07-07-19² **GUZMAN RULING NO.28**

Owner **JUAN GUZMAN** having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at the Alameda County Fair on or before July 6, 2019 is hereby suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer charges alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers), #1489 (a) (10) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Guzman failed to appear as was requested in writing.

07-07-19³ **PROGRAM CHANGES**

6 th race:	#4 ROYAL ALEXIS	(Tr. C. DeLima)
	Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ see below
	#9 OLMODIVA	(Tr. C. Mahorney)
	Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ 241.70
9 th race:	#3 FLASHY HERO	(Tr. C. DeLima)
	Sick – Sara Sporer, D.V.M.	REFUND: \$ see below
	#9 SUNSET CITY	(Tr. Q. Miller)
	No rider (late scratch) – Stewards	REFUND: \$ 3,293.84

07-07-19⁴ **PROGRAM ERROR – RACE 6**

The program page for race six suffered a publication error. The Equipment change line “#1 PORIKA will race with “no crop” and #1 PORIKA and #8 SARAH’S SMIRK will race with shoes on” was cut from the bottom of the page along with the Handicapper Selections when putting the program together. Announcements and scrolls on the TV monitors were made throughout the day.

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
04-Jul.	4	4	FANTASTIC ARAGORN	W. Delia	Sick	Sporer	\$ 79.90
04-Jul.	5	2	SILKEN QUEEN	V. Trujillo	Sick	Sporer	\$ 225.80
04-Jul.	6	2	GRACIE'S GIRL	M. Stortz	Injured	Sporer	\$ 173.70
04-Jul.	8	1	ALGENON	D. Offield	Sick	Sporer	\$ see below
04-Jul.	8	7	PURE COMEDY	B. McLean	Sick	Sporer	\$ 693.60
05-Jul.	8	2	RAIDERETTE	V. Trujillo	Injured	Sporer	\$ 135.50
05-Jul.	9	3	HOPE WINS	W. Delia	Injured	Sporer	\$ 313.10
06-Jul.	4	6	CALL ME KENT	J. Wong	Sick	Sporer	\$ 23.60
06-Jul.	7	4	JILLSREWARD	R. Perez	Refused gate	Stewards	\$ 59,602.45
06-Jul.	8	2	ROYAL CHARM	E. Rich	Sick	Sporer	\$ 195.00
07-Jul.	6	4	ROYAL ALEXIS	C. DeLima	Sick	Sporer	\$ see below
07-Jul.	6	9	OLMODIVA	C. Mahorney	Sick	Sporer	\$ 241.70
07-Jul.	9	3	FLASHY HERO	C. DeLima	Sick	Sporer	\$ see below
07-Jul.	9	9	SUNSET CITY	Q. Miller	No rider	Stewards	\$ 3,293.84

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Fresno	\$ 107,220.50
Fresno Club One	\$ 67,057.80
Golden Gate	\$ 489,084.84
Monterey	\$ 72,434.60
Sacramento	\$ 262,772.39
San Jose	\$ 291,304.00
San Mateo	\$ 591,669.10
Santa Rosa	\$ 111,494.00
Stockton	\$ 182,368.60
Vallejo	\$ 133,917.64
So. California	\$ 654,317.80
Out of State	\$ 2,126,253.45

	04-Jul.	05-Jul.	06-Jul.	07-Jul.	WEEK	MEET
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	2	2	3
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	1	1	2	3
CLAIMS	1	5	1	4	11	28
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	0	0	0	3
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	2	1	0	2	5	10
REFUNDS	5	2	3	4	14	40
RULINGS	1	2	5	2	10	28