

California Horse Racing Board

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS****Del Mar Fall Meet**

Del Mar Thoroughbred Club

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Report for the Week of Thursday, November 19, 2020 through Sunday, November 22, 2020.

THURSDAY11/19/20¹**ENTRIES/ SCRATCHES**

Steward Kim Sawyer came into the office to monitor entries for Sunday, along with Friday's scratches. The Racing Office carded nine (9) races for Sunday.

11/19/20²**PARKING CITATION**

The following ruling was issued after Groom RIGOBERTO RIVERA accepted full responsibility when Del Mar Security issued a parking citation (Citation #14476):

DFTD Ruling #024

Groom RIGOBERTO RIVERA is fined TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meet – PARKING VIOLATION).

11/19/20³**WALSH HEARING (case #20DM0025)**

We held a formal hearing to review a complaint that the CHRB filed against Trainer KATHY WALSH, Owner MARIETTA GELALICH, and Jockey GEOVANNI FRANCO. The complaint stems from when the horse "Git On Your Pulpit" tested positive in the post-race sample for the drug "Acepromazine" after it ran in the fourth race on June 28, 2020 at Los Alamitos Race Course. The positive test was a violation of rule 1859.5 (Disqualification Upon Positive Test Finding). Present in the hearing were the Stewards, recording the proceedings was Court Reporter Michelle Derieg, and presenting the case was Investigator Angelica Merz. All respondents elected not to participate in the hearing, and all of them were properly notified by the CHRB. After reading the complaint, entering in the exhibits, and hearing the investigators testimony, the hearing came to an end. Decision to follow.

11/19/20⁴

LAWSON HEARING (20DM0056)

Jockey agent DEREK LAWSON was in the office to respond to a complaint filed by the CHRB alleging rule violation 1791 (Records Required of Jockey Agents), for failing to honor the commitment of his Jockey Flavien Prat to ride the horse "Caisson" in the Del Mar Juvenile Stakes. Mr. Lawson has elected to acquire legal representation; therefore, the hearing will be rescheduled to a later date.

11/19/20⁵

CASE WITHDRAWN (case#20SA0223)

The case against Owner DONALD PALMER for unpaid services & supplies filed by Bonnie Acres Ranch for the amount of \$7,107.75, has been withdrawn after we received notification that the debt has been paid in full.

FRIDAY

11/20/20¹

RISPOLI RULING

The following ruling was issued after Jockey UMBERTO RISPOLI elected not to come in and took full responsibility for violating the riding crop rule.

DFTD Ruling #025

Jockey UMBERTO RISPOLI, is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(8) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times – first offense in the last 60 days), during the first race at Del Mar Race Track on November 15, 2020.

11/20/20²

APPEAL WITHDRAWN

Apprentice Jockey ALEXIS CENTENO withdrew his appeal of ruling LATC #10, therefore, the following ruling was issued and the four-day suspension was reinstated:

DFTD Ruling #026

Having received notice from the California Horse Racing Board that the appeal of LATC ruling #010 (October 4, 2020) has been withdrawn, the original ruling is reinstated. Jockey ALEXIS CENTENO is suspended for FOUR (4) racing days (November 26, 27, 28 and 29, 2020).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races) the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

11/20/20³

CITATION

Jockey JOEL CRUZ called our office to answer to a citation that Santa Anita Security issued Mr. Cruz for failing to properly wear a mask on November 6, 2020. Mr. Cruz stated he just finished breezing a horse and pulled his mask down to catch his breath when he suddenly swallowed a bug, in which it caused him to gag. After hearing all the testimony and confirming his story, he was issued a warning.

11/20/20⁴

HEAP CITATION

Trainer BLAKE HEAP participated telephonically to answer to a citation issued by Santa Anita Backside Security for alleging failing to properly wear a face mask on November 17, 2020. Mr. Blake stated he was not around other licensees, which is why he didn't have his mask on correctly. After speaking to a few witnesses and hearing Mr. Heap's testimony, we issued the following ruling.

DFTD Ruling #27

Trainer BLAKE HEAP, is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Condition of a Race Meeting – failure to properly wear face mask) at Santa Anita Park on November 17, 2020.

11/20/20⁵

DISQUALIFICATION RULING

The following ruling was issued in ref.11/19/20³ to the KATHY WALSH formal hearing on Thursday November 19, 2020. All the particulars were memorialized in the ruling below.

DFTD Ruling #28

Acting upon a report from the University of California at Davis, Maddy Laboratories, the official testing laboratory for the California Horse Racing Board, that the post – race urine sample #LA45585 taken from the horse “Git on Your Pulpit” the second place finisher in the fourth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on June 28, 2020, contained the prohibited drug substance 2-(1-Hydroxyethyl) Promazine Sulfoxide, a metabolite of acepromazine (Class 3), it is hereby ordered that “Git on Your Pulpit” be disqualified from all purse monies earned in said race and deemed unplaced in accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1859.5 (Disqualification Upon Positive Test Finding).

It is further ordered that all purse monies (\$3,000.00) earned or awarded Owners Kathy Walsh and Marietta Gelalich, (\$300.00) Trainer Kathy Walsh and (\$160.00) Jockey Geovanni Franco to be returned to the Paymaster of Purses at Los Alamitos Race Course on or before December 19, 2020, for redistribution pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1760 (Purse Award or Prize to Be Withheld).

The revised order of finish is as follows:

- 1st Victor’s Show
- 2nd U. S. Danger
- 3rd Stay Legendary
- 4th Smiling Crewe
- 5th Doheny Beach

All records are ordered changed to reflect this ruling. In accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule # 1956 (Race Declared Official), this ruling shall not affect the pari-mutuel payoffs.

- Trainer Kathy Walsh- #104103 exp. 03/2023
- Owner Marietta Gelalich- #102554 exp. 01/2021
- Owner Kathy Walsh- #111515 exp. 03/2021
- Geovanni Franco- #304141 exp. 01/2023
- Case #20DM0025

11/20/20⁶

INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION (6TH RACE TURF)

After the running of the sixth race we posted the inquiry sign to review the start of the sixth race (1mile turf) involving the #1Rustic Canyon (R. Gonzalez 3rd) and the #2 Tropical Terror (V. Espinoza 4th). After speaking to the patrol judges, riders and reviewing the film we disqualified the #1 and placed him behind the #2 for interference at the start. We unanimously voted that the #1 cost the #2 a better placing.

Unofficial	6-7-(1)-2-3-4-8-5
Official	6-7-2-(1)-3-4-8-5

11/20/20⁷

STEWARDS’ REVIEW

We conducted a Stewards’ review to review the start involving the #8 Gabby Hayes (V. Espinoza). After reviewing the video several times, we unanimously voted that the incident was not caused by any other participants, therefore, no inquiry was needed.

11/20/20⁸

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race #4 Cosa Nostra (IRE)- E. Maldonado replaces T. Locke, Covid protocol
- 2nd Race No changes. Refund: \$27.00
- 3rd Race No changes. Refund: \$43.50
- 4th Race #6 She Loves Karaoke- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick. Refund: \$609.70
- 5th Race No changes. Refund: \$48.00
- 6th Race #1Rustic Canyon- Claimed by P. Miller, trainer. Refund: \$239.00
- 7th Race #1 Chevelita- Claimed by R. B. Hess Jr., trainer

- #2 Brilliant Cut- Claimed by D. O'Neill, trainer
- #9 Royal Blend- Claimed by R. B. Hess Jr., trainer
- #8 Purda Vita- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick. Refund: \$1,505.50
- 8th Race #9 Runaway Wywy- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible
- #10 Lauren Squared - Stewards' scratch- Also eligible
- #11 Standing O- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible
- #12 My Man Bags- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible. Refund: \$2,122.48

11/20/20⁹

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On Track	97	\$71,568.70
SCOTWinc	1,210	\$1,614,282.33
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$5,347,086.69
Total	1,307	\$7,032,937.72

SATURDAY

11/21/20¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey RICARDO GONZALEZ was in the office to review yesterday's sixth race, in which he was involved in a stewards' inquiry leaving the starting gate. The video shows Mr. Gonzalez's horse broke outward, causing the horse to his outside to steady. The majority felt he made an effort to correct his horse, therefore he was not sanctioned. Steward Sawyer voted for a suspension.

Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE was in to review Sunday's sixth race, in which he possibly violated the riding crop rule. After reviewing the video several times, it was clear he exceeded the maximum number of strikes. Mr. Van Dyke was issued the ruling below for his second offense, and Steward Sawyer voted for a \$500.00 fine.

DFTD Ruling #029

Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE, is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(8) (Use of Riding Crop – more than six times – second offense in last 60 days), during the sixth race at Del Mar Race Track on November 15, 2020.

11/21/20²

MUSSAD FORMAL HEARING

Apprentice Jockey DAVID MUSSAD was in our office to answer to a complaint (case #20SA0169) filed by the CHRB alleging a violation of rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct). The complaint was filed in relation to Mr. Mussad allegedly harassing Exercise Rider Hannah Leahey and Apprentice Jockey Jessica Pyfer during a workout (5/11/20). Mussad also allegedly damaged Ms. Leahey's vehicle by kicking her car on 5/16/20 at Santa Anita Race Track. Present in the hearing was Investigator Mike Barker, Respondent David Mussad, Court Reporter Michelle Derieg, Witnesses Jessica Pyfer and Hannah Leahey who participated telephonically. After hearing all the testimony and entering the exhibits, the hearing came to an end. Decision to follow.

11/21/20³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race #2 Hit The Seam- Claimed by M. Ortiz, trainer
- #4 Mr. Lovejoy- Claimed by B. Koriner, trainer. Refund: \$868.56
- 2nd Race #2 Stellar Sound- Stewards' scratch- Stake. Refund: \$2,602.75
- 3rd Race #1 No Cover Charge- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick
- #6 Miss Fraulein- Claimed by P. Miller, trainer. Refund: \$1,805.77
- 4th Race #5 Bold Endeavor- Claimed by M. Glatt, trainer
- #6 Kershaw- Claimed V. Garcia, trainer
- 5th Race #6 By Moonlight- Claimed by R. Baltas, trainer. Refund: \$5.50
- 6th Race No changes. Refund \$45.50

7th Race #7 Eskimo- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick. Refund: \$1,055.52
 8th Race #8 Flying Charlie- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, injured. Refund: \$1,408.78
 9th Race #10 Push Through- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible
 #11 Mithqaal- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible. Refund: \$2,665.79

11/21/20⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On Track	118	\$115,392.29
SCOTWinc	2,033	\$2,500,289.45
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$8,121,000.03
Total	2,151	\$10,736,681.77

SUNDAY

11/22/20¹

PARKING CITATIONS

The following ruling was issued to penalize Assistant Starter DEAN GREENMAN for a parking ticket that Del Mar backside security issued on November 13, 2020.

DFTD Ruling #030

Assistant Starter RICHARD GREENMAN is fined TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meet – PARKING VIOLATION).

11/22/20²

Another ruling was issued to address a parking citation issued by Del Mar Backside Security to Pony Rider WILVER ORATES on November 20, 2020.

DFTD Ruling #031

Pony Rider WILVER ORATES is fined TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meet – PARKING VIOLATION).

11/22/20³

FILM REVIEW

Jockey UMBERTO RISPOLI was in to review yesterday's ninth race in which he possibly used his riding crop more than two times. Mr. Rispoli reviewed it and agreed that he violated the rule. The following ruling was issued:

DFTD Ruling #032

Jockey UMBERTO RISPOLI, is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing rule #1688(b)(7) (Use of Riding Crop – more than two times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond – second offense in last 60 days), during the ninth race at Del Mar Race Track on November 21, 2020.

11/22/20⁴

KUNZ HEARING (case #20SA0227)

Owner TRACI KUNZ was in our office to answer a complaint filed by Trainer Adam Kitchingman for unpaid training fees in the amount of \$15,285.00. Both parties agreed to a financial agreement that states the full amount will be paid by the end of the year.

11/22/20⁵

STEWARDS' REVIEW

We conducted a Stewards' review to examine the actions of the #2 Goalie (J. Hernandez) when he steadied and ducked in slightly leaving the starting gate. After reviewing the video, we determined the #2 overacted slightly, and therefore no blame was placed on any other runners. Consequently, no inquiry was conducted.

11/22/20⁶

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, AND REFUNDS

1st Race #1 La Dolfina- M. Gutierrez replaces J.C. Diaz, Jr., Refund: \$679.74
 2nd Race #1 Democrat- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, Sick. Refund \$2,460.49
 3rd Race No changes. Refund: \$173.24

4th Race 31 Peach Time- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, Sick. Refund: \$1,131.50
 5th Race #9 Assistant- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible
 #11 Star Racel- Stewards' scratch- Also eligible. Refund: \$3,427.21
 6th Race No changes. Refund: \$26.50
 7th Race No changes. Refund: \$103.50
 8th Race #4 Surfing Star- Stewards' scratch- Stake. Refund: \$2,703.07
 9th Race No changes

11/22/20⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On Track	1,777	\$96,746.10
SCOTWinc	112	\$2,123,814.45
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$9,229,552.97
Total	1,889	\$11,450,113.52

ATTENDANCE REPORT – The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 11/16/20 TO 11/22/20

Horses on Vet List 7
 Horses off Vet List 12
 Shock Wave Therapy 1
 Fatalities -0-
 Medication 0
 Claims Voided 0

SUMMARY

	No Racing	Thur 11/19	Fri 11/20	Sat 11/21	Sun 11/22	Week	Meet
Accidents		0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races		0	2	1	3	6	22
Claims		0	4	6	0	10	29
Disqualifications		0	1	0	0	1	1
Inquiries		0	1	0	0	1	3
Refunds		0	7	8	8	23	86
Rulings		1	4	1	3	9	32
Voided Claims		0	0	0	0	0	0

Respectfully submitted,

 Luis Jauregui, Steward

 Ron Church, Steward

 Kim Sawyer, Steward

 David Nuesch, Safety Steward