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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report for the Week of Monday, September 13, 2021, Through Sunday, September 19, 2021**WEDNESDAY**9/15/21¹**ENTRY STEWARD**

Steward Tom Ward was in the office this morning to oversee Saturday's entries and Friday's scratches. The Racing Office carded nine (9) races for Saturday, for a total of sixty (60) entries.

THURSDAY9/16/21¹**STEWARDS IN**

Steward Tom Ward was in to oversee entries for Sunday and scratches for Saturday. We were also in to discuss any pending decisions and finalize any statements.

FRIDAY9/17/21¹**FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice Jockey RICARDO RAMIREZ was in to review Sunday's seventh race in which he possibly violated the riding crop rule. Mr. Ramirez acknowledged that he made an error and accepted the following penalty.

LAFL Ruling #09

Apprentice Jockey RICARDO RAMIREZ 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 a race – first offense in the last sixty days) during the second race at Los Alamitos Race Course on September 12, 2021.

Jockeys Guild Manager Darrel Haire was in our office representing Jockey EDWIN MALDONADO, who was involved in a Steward's inquiry in Sunday's eighth race. Mr. Maldonado

was out of town for the day. Mr. Maldonado was disqualified from first place to second place for an incident in the stretch. Mr. Haire stated that the outside horse contributed to the incident, we disagreed. We felt Mr. Maldonado failed to correct his mount prior to contact. Therefore, the following ruling was issued.

LAFB Ruling #10

Jockey EDWIN MALDONADO, who rode PEACEFUL TRANSFER in the eighth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on September 12, 2021, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (September 24, 25 and 26, 2021) for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference, which resulted in the disqualification of his mount from first to second position. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699(Riding Rules – careless riding).

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

Apprentice Jockey RIGOBERTO SEVILLA was called in our office to examine his ride from Sunday’s seventh race in which he possibly violated the riding crop rule when he used his riding crop in the uncocked position. Mr. Sevilla stated that he forgot the rule and apologized for his actions. This was his second offense in the last sixty days. We issued the following ruling.

LAFB Ruling #11

Apprentice Jockey RIGOBERTO SEVILLA, who rode #5 PALACE PRINCE in the seventh race at Los Alamitos Race Course on September 12, 2021, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (September 24, 25 and 26, 2021) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(c)(2) (Use of Riding Crop – not in the underhand position – second offense in the last sixty (60) days).

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

9/17/21²

GOOD RACING

The eight-race program went with no major issues other than declarations and changes listed below.

9/17/21³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race No changes; Refund \$0
 2nd Race No changes; Refund \$0
 3rd Race #2 WIN OFTEN - Claimed by L. Ruiz, trainer. Refund \$0
 4th Race No changes; Refund \$0
 5th Race No changes; Refund \$0
 6th Race #4 BABY STEPS - Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick. Refund \$310.25
 7th Race No changes; Refund \$0
 8th Race No changes; Refund \$0

9/17/21⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	741	\$231,689.48
SCOTWinc	1,575	\$814,698.78
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$3,337,636.87
Total	3,316	\$4,384,025.13

SATURDAY

9/18/21¹

STEWARDS INQUIRY / OBJECTION / NO CHANGE

We posted the inquiry sign in the fourth race to review the stretch run involving the #5 FUN COUPONS (T. Pereira) and the #6 HOT PURSUIT (A. Cedillo), who dead heated for the win. Jockey Tiago Pereira also lodged a claim of foul against the #6. After speaking to the riders involved and reviewing the video, we unanimously voted to make no change to the order of finish. We felt that both horses contributed to the contact; therefore, no change was required.

9/18/21²

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race No changes; Refund \$0
- 2nd Race #1 SURPRISE FASHION- Claimed by S. Morfin, trainer
#6 LUCKY RYAN SEVEN- E. Berman, trainer. Refund \$0
- 3rd Race #5 ROWANGOESHOLLYWOOD- Claimed by A. Sherman, trainer. Refund \$0
- 4th Race No changes; Refund \$0
- 5th Race #7 WEDDING CHAPEL- Steward's scratch- Lost rider ran off the track
Refund \$11,856.48
- 6th Race No changes; Refund \$0
- 7th Race #6 PAINT ME LUCKY- Claimed by M. Stortz, trainer. Refund \$0
- 8th Race #1 RHETORIC- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick
#5 FACINATED- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick. Refund \$2,478.88
- 9th Race No changes; Refund \$0

9/18/21³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	1,331	\$509,502.80
SCOTWinc	2,994	\$1,454,575.02
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,740,430.98
Total	4,325	\$6,704,508.80

SUNDAY

9/19/21¹

GARCIA RULING

The following ruling was issued after Jockey ERICK GARCIA acknowledged his violation. Mr. Garcia violated the riding crop rule in yesterday's sixth race, when he used it more than the allowed six (6) times.

LAFL Ruling #12

Jockey ERICK GARCIA 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 a race – first offense in the last sixty days) during the sixth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on September 18, 2021.

9/19/21²

GOOD RACING

The nine races went with no major issues to report other than the declarations, claims, and rider changes listed below.

9/19/21³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES, AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race #2 SET THE TONE- Claimed R. Hess Jr., trainer. Refund \$0
- 2nd Race No changes; Refund \$0
- 3rd Race No changes; Refund \$0
- 4th Race #8 SUANCES SECRET- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick. Refund \$100.80
- 5th Race No changes; Refund \$0
- 6th Race #2 PROMNESIA- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick. Refund \$112.08
- 7th Race #5 COVER VERSION- E. Maldonado replace G. Franco, out of town. Refund \$0
- 8th Race #3 BIG SWEEP- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Pattio, sick. Refund \$1,077.36
- 9th Race #5 MONGOLIAN LEGEND- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, injured
#9 GENERAL MATHIS- Veterinarian scratch- Dr. Stead, sick. Refund \$1418.44

9/19/21⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	1,179	\$333,731.04
SCOTWinc	2,527	\$1,078,187.54
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,227,215.34
Total	3,706	\$5,639,133.92

SUMMARY

	Fri 9/17	Sat 9/18	Sun 9/19	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	0	2	8
Claims	1	4	1	6	11
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	1
Inquiries	1	0	0	1	2
Refunds	1	2	4	7	15
Rulings	3	0	1	4	12
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0

Respectfully submitted,

Luis Jauregui, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward

Paul Atkinson, Steward

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