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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION****TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of November 23, 2021, through November 28, 2021.

Tuesday

11/23/2021

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Richard Williams shall be present for the morning festivities for the week and shall pen the minutes for the same.

(2) HEARINGS

A hearing was conducted for Complaint #21LA0167 filed against Jose Flores for a Dexamethasone positive. Investigator Vito Racowski read the complaint into the record.

Jose Flores, who was very straight forward and appeared to have an excellent command of the medication procedures in his barn, testified that he had administered Dexamethasone to the horse Famous Cartel Jess on Sunday and Monday before the horse raced on Saturday and that administration time frame should not have resulted in a positive test. Upon investigation, he had a concern that Dexamethasone was administered instead of Phenylbutazone at 48 hours before race time. A ruling will be issued by the Stewards on Saturday 11/27/2021.

Wednesday

11/24/2021

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, for California bred maiden two years olds going 300 yards, had 4 entries.

(2) THE DRAW FOR SATURDAY 11/27/2021

84 horses made up 10 races comprised of 3 Thoroughbred, 5 Thoroughbred and Quarter horse, and 2 Quarter Horse races.

Thursday

11/25/2021

(1) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the condition book, for California Bred maiden two year olds going 300 yards, attracted 0 entries.

(2) **SCRATCH TIME**

At scratch time for Saturday 11/27/2021, there were 2 scratches and two rider changes.

(3) **PANEL MEETING**

The Los Alamitos Panel met to review and discuss the entries for the Saturday 11/27/2021 races.

(4) **THE DRAW**

A ten race card of 72 horses made up of 1 Thoroughbred, 2 Quarter Horse and Thoroughbred and 7 Quarter Horse races. Sunday is highlighted by three divisions of the Southern California Derby Trials.

Friday

11/26/2021

(1) **SCRATCHES**

At scratch time there was one scratch.

(2) **PANEL MEETING**

The panel at Los Alamitos met to discuss the entries for Sunday 11/28/2021.

Saturday

11/27/2021

(1) **EARLY DECLARATIONS**

2ND Race #5 Unthrottled (Trainer Milton Pineda) was scratched (Stewards-not eligible)
Refund \$851.89

(2) **CLAIMS**

1st Race #7 Perfect Reflection (trainer Sergio Morfin) was claimed for \$2,500.00 by Jesus Uranga.

1st Race #8 Coal Shaft (trainer Lorenzo Ruiz) was claimed for \$2,500.00 by Jesus Mendoza.

1st Race #10 Miss Helen Back (trainer Angela Aquino) was claimed for \$2,500.00 by Milton Pineda.

5th Race #3 Whatwasithinking (trainer Charles Treece) was claimed for \$2,500.00 by Santos Perez.

6th race #4 Asian Rain (trainer Sergio Morfin) was claimed for \$5,000.00 by Jesus Nunez.

(3) **CLAIM VOIDED**

A claim was submitted on the 9th race for #6 Winning Appeal (trainer Jesus Uranga); the claim was voided for unsoundness in the horse's left front.

(4) **RULING #224**

Ruling #224

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE), TRAINER JOSE FLORES, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "FAMOUS JESS CARTEL", THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE NINTH RACE, AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON OCTOBER 2, 2021, IS FINED FIVE HUNDERD DOLLARS (\$500.00)* AND ASSESSED ONE HALF (1/2) POINT IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843.4 (MULTIPLE MEDICATION VIOLATIONS- EXPIRES 10/02/2022) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (a, b & d) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), AND #1843.1 (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES- DEXAMETHASONE- CLASS IV).

(5) **OBJECTION/ INQUIRY**

In the 3rd race, an objection was entered by the jockey of the #8 horse Luck Be Mine, Edgar Payeras for interference by the #10 horse Ca Dreamer ridden by Ricardo Ramirez entering and exiting the turn. After review by the stewards, no evidence was found to support the claim.

In the 8th race, the stewards posted the inquiry sign after an incident at the 1/8th pole unseated Alberto Zepeda, the rider of the #2 horse Firebrand. The #5 Communicate (jockey Henry Lopez) broke in, and with Mr. Lopez trying to correct his course, continued in making contact with the horses to his inside putting #2 Firebrand on the heels of #3 Cotton Cartel clipping heels and unseating Alberto Zepeda. The #5 Communicate was disqualified and unplaced.

(6) INCIDENTS

Jockeys Cesar Franco and Jose Cedillo contacted the Stewards to report illness and both were relieved of their duties for the evening. Following the 9th race, #5 Laker Jet (trainer Robert Bean) was pulled up and vanned off.

(7) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	832	\$134,233.50
Off track	1,149	\$277,065.60
Out of state	N/A	\$1,004,834.59
Total	1,981	\$1,416,133.69

Sunday
11/28/2021

(1) LATE DECLARATIONS

4th Race #5 Corona Divina (Trainer Juan Aleman) was scratched (vet-unsound) Refund \$248.00
10th Race #6 Eg Domingo (Trainer Jesus Nunez) was scratched (vet-unsound) Refund \$50.30

(2) CLAIMS

None

(3) CLAIMS VOIDED

1st Race #2 Nathansmimsy (trainer Charles Treece) had a claim entered but the claim was voided due to unsoundness left front.

1st Race #4 Vastly Deep (trainer Jesus Nunez) had a claim entered but the claim was voided due to unsoundness right front.

(4) RULINGS

None

(5) OBJECTION/ INQUIRY

The stewards posted the inquiry sign in the 1st race for the #2 horse Nathansmimsy (jockey Javier Matias) for possible interference in the turn. The stewards found no reason for a disqualification.

(6) INCIDENTS

Jockey Diego Herrera contacted the Stewards and was unable to arrive at the track in time to ride in the 2nd and 3rd races and was relieved of his duties. A substitute Jockey was named.

In the 4th race, #3 Remind Mindy (trainer Mike Casselman) was vanned back to her barn following the race.

In the 7th race, #1 Not This World (trainer Elena Andrade) was vanned back to her barn following the race

In the 7th race, #5 Conchita (trainer James Glenn) fell on the track and was vanned off.

Jockey Jose Nicasio contacted the stewards to report he was not feeling well and was relieved of his duties.

(7) HEARINGS

None

(8) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	502	\$78,651.80
Off track	1,051	\$174,850.10
Out of state	N/A	\$1,254,949.67
Total	1,553	\$1,508,451.57

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on November 28, 2021. One equine death was reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period, 14 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 12 for soundness, 1 for sickness, and 1 for EIPH. Four horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Rich Williams.

SUMMARY

	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat 11/27	Sun 11/28	Week	Meet
Accidents	D			1	1	2	6
Cal-Bred Races	A			0	0	0	19
Claims	R			5	0	5	226
Disqualification	K			1	0	1	31
Inquiries		D		2	1	3	70
Refunds		A		1	2	3	457
Rulings		Y		1	0	1	224
Voided Claims		S		1	0	1	29

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards Richard Williams, James Dreyer, Tom Ward, and Safety Steward Paul Atkinson were in attendance during this reporting period.

Richard Williams, Steward

James Dreyer, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

Ron Church, Safety Steward