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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, March 2, 2015 through Sunday, March 8, 2015. Steward William Meyers was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

03/02/15 (1) **Dark Day**

Tuesday

03/03/15 (1) **Entries for Saturday and Sunday**

The racing office was open this morning for the talking of entries for this weekend. Racing Secretary Robin Schadt reported twenty seven (27) filled for the two (2) days.

03/03/15 (2) **Saturdays Draw**

Fourteen (14) races were drawn for Saturday with one hundred nine (109) horses entered. One (1) four (4) year old Sire Stake for pacers drew six (6) entries and will be carded as race five.

03/03/15 (3) **Dark Day**

Wednesday

03/04/15 (1) **Scratches and Changes for Saturday**

One (1) scratch and numerous driver changes were taken for Saturday.

03/04/15 (2) **The Draw for Sunday**

Sunday's card has one hundred (100) horses divided into thirteen (13) races. One (1) Sire Stake for four (4) year old pacing fillies filled with six (6) entries and will be carded as the third race.

03/04/15 (3) **Dark Day**

Thursday03/05/15 (1) **Scratches and Changes for Sunday**

One (1) scratch, one (1) corrected claiming price and numerous driver changes were taken at Sundays scratch time.

03/05/15 (2) **Dark Day****Friday**03/06/15 (1) **Dark Day****Saturday**03/07/15 (1) **Qualifiers**

Twenty two (22) of twenty four (24) horses made the grade in tonight four (4) qualifiers.

03/07/15 (2) **Seventh Race Inquiry**

The inquiry sign was posted to review the actions of second place finisher #1 "Jungle Of Terror" (James Lackey) in the first turn. #1 was observed to be inside of two (2) consecutive pylons in possible violation of the pylon rule. After review it was determined that #1 was forced to evade #2 "Quality Sport" (Mike Jarvis) who was dropping to the inside. #1 and Driver Lackey were absolved of any violation do to the interference by #2. #1 finished ahead of #2 so no change was warranted.

03/07/15 (3) **Program Changes**

8th Race Declaration: #7 "Hi Ho Hi Ho" – Trainer Marco Rios

Refund:\$ 216.20

Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM

9th Race Declaration; #7 "Thetoadandme" – Trainer Tim Clevenger

Refund:\$243.43

Injured –Clifford Zucco DVM

02/14/15 (4) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	246
Live Handle (On Track)	\$56,529
Handle (In State)	\$343,068
<u>Handle (Out of State)</u>	<u>\$458,081</u>
Total Handle	\$857,678

Sunday03/08/15 (1) **Dunneback Hearing (Case No: 15SW0008)**

A hearing was held today concerning a test result of 42.1 ng/ml of 'Flunixin' reported by U.C. Davis Laboratories on the horse 'Judgemental' from the first race on January 17th, 2015. "Judgemental" finished first and was trained by Richard Dunneback. Present at the hearing were Trainer Dunneback, State Veterinarian Clifford Zucco, Investigator Carol Nolan presenting for Investigator Duane Tadlock, and the Board of Stewards.

Testimony was taken concerning administration of medication orally with a dose syringe, the size of the horse, and time of administration. No absolute cause for the high reading could be determined, but Mr. Dunneback vowed to tighten up administration of any further medication. Decision forthcoming.

03/08/15 (2) **Succarotte Ruling****RULING # 34**

DRIVER ANTHONY SUCCAROTTE, WHO WAS SCHEDULED TO DRIVE “WHAT A SHOOTER” IN THE FIRST RACE SUNDAY MARCH 1, 2015 AT CAL EXPO CALIFORNIA IS HERBY FINED FIFTY (\$50.00)* DOLLARS FOR FAILURE TO FULFILL HIS DRIVING ENGAGEMENT; A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY (DRIVER) AGREEMENT).

The above ruling was issued when Succarotte was contacted and admitted he did not check the overnight or program to see he was named on “What A Shooter.”

03/08/15 (3) **Desomer Ruling [Ref: 03/01/15 (5)]****RULING # 35**

DRIVER ETIENNE “STEVE” DESOMER, WHO DROVE “TOUR GUIDE” IN THE SEVENTH RACE ON MARCH 1, 2015, IS HEREBY FINED THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00)* DOLLARS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1689.1 (B) (SAFETY VEST REQUIRED).

The above ruling was issued after Mr. Desomer accepted the penalty with apology.

03/08/15 (4) **“Sand Vixen” Barred – Fourth Race**

The six (6) year old trotting mare trained by Bruce White has been barred from racing at Cal-Expo. The mare has failed to keep the trotting gate in all of her pari-mutuel starts at Cal-Expo since December 13, 2014. Her “breaks” are significant and could prove dangerous to her driver and others around her.

03/08/15 (5) **Sixth Race – Starting Car Breakdown – Recall**

The recall lights were flashed by Starter Ken Fowler when the wings of the starting gate malfunctioned due to a broken chain link. Post time was scheduled at 7:00PM. The backup starting gate was retrieved and the race was off at 7:20PM with no further incident.

03/08/15 (6) **Seventh Race – Start Mishap – Recall**

The recall lights were flashed in mid-stretch when the starting car was observed going extremely fast and moving away from the field of horses. Starter Ken Fowler stated that it was his fault that the car was in the wrong gear. Original post was scheduled for 7:46PM all horses except #1 “Silence Son” (Luke Plano) pulled up immediately. #1 was “on the muscle” and Driver Plano didn’t get the trotter pulled up for ¼ of a mile. #1 “Silence Son” was ordered to be looked at by the track vet.

The horses were reassembled and off at 7:59PM. As luck would have it #1 finished a well beaten sixth as the prohibitive favorite. The matter will be looked into further with Starter Fowler, Outrider Billy Don Wainscott, and

Driver Luke Plano on Saturday March 14, 2015 when this Board of Stewards will reconvene.

03/08/15 (7) **Eighth Race Inquiry – No Change**

The inquiry sign was posted to review the stretch run of the eighth race involving #1 “Sounion” (David Siegel) (fourth), #2 “Devil’s Rein” (Tim Maier) (eighth), and #8 “Super Sevens” (Luke Plano) (fifth). #2 “Devil’s Rein” made a break in the stretch and Driver Luke Plano, who was driving #8, steadied his horse, it was determined #1 was not involved and since #8 finished last, no change was warranted.

03/08/15 (8) **Eleventh Race Observation**

Driver/Trainer Gerald Longo was observed whipping #6 “Starry Skys” excessively while fading to eighth place. Mr. Longo has been ordered to the Stewards.

03/08/15 (9) **Program Changes**

4th Race Declaration: #4 “Notable Chip” – Trainer Tim Clevenger
 Refund:\$143.30 Sick – Clifford Zucco DVM
 11th Race Declarations: #9 “Ruths Shady Lady” – Trainer Tim Brown
 Refund:\$26.88 Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM
 13th Race Declaration: #4 “Friskie By Design” – Trainer Denise Maier
 Refunds:\$163.85 Injured – Clifford Zucco DVM

03/08/15 (5) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	148
Live Handle (On Track)	\$41,971
Handle (In State)	\$263,822
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$581,691</u>
Total Handle	\$887,504

W E E K L Y S U M M A R Y

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

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
7-Mar	8	7	HI HO HI HO	RIOS	Injured	Zucco	\$ 216.20
7-Mar	9	7	THETOADANDME	CLEVENGER	Injured	Zucco	\$ 243.43
8-Mar	4	4	NOTABLE CHIP	CLEVENGER	Sick	Zucco	\$ 143.30
8-Mar	11	9	RUTHS SHADY LADY	BROWN	Injured	Zucco	\$ 26.88
8-Mar	13	4	FISKIE BY DESIGN	MAIER	Injured	Zucco	\$ 163.85

WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Fresno	\$	3,198.10
Fresno Club One	\$	1,483.20
Golden Gate	\$	27,265.10
Monterey	\$	4,801.30
Pleasanton	\$	12,979.60
Sacramento	\$	84,246.40
San Jose	\$	19,801.10
San Mateo	\$	29,320.00
Santa Rosa	\$	4,861.70
Stockton	\$	7,868.30

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SUMMARY 2015**

	Mon 03/02	Tues 03/03	Wed 03/04	Thurs 03/05	Fri 03/06	Sat 03/07	Sun 03/08	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	D	D	0	0	0	7
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	A	A	1	1	2	14
Claims	R	R	R	R	R	0	0	0	26
Disqualifications	K	K	K	K	K	0	0	0	8
Inquiries	D	D	D	D	D	1	1	2	22
Refunds	A	A	A	A	A	2	3	5	78
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0	2	2	35

Stewards Attendance: Stewards Meyers, Oke and Baker were in attendance.

Will Meyers, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward