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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, August 23, 2010 through Sunday, August 29, 2010. Steward Michael W. "Wayne" Oke was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

08/23/10 (1) **Entries for Thursday 08/26/10, Friday 08/27/10 and Saturday 08/28/10**

In light of the expansion of the schedule to three (3) days and the limited horse inventory available to the race office, horsemen were asked to enter for all three (3) programs on Monday 08/23/10 by 9:00 a.m.

08/23/10 (2) **Draw for Thursday 08/26/10**

At 12:30 p.m. a draw was conducted for Thursday's card. This draw resulted in a nine (9) race card with sixty six (66) head scheduled to compete. Scratch time is Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

08/23/10 (3) **Dark Day**

Tuesday

08/24/10 (1) **Scratch Time for Thursday 08/26/10**

At scratch time for Thursday's card there were six (6) driver corrections and one (1) equipment change.

08/24/10 (2) **Draw for Friday 08/27/10 and Saturday 08/28/10**

At 10:30 a.m. a draw for Friday's card was conducted with eighty three (83) head drawn to compete in eleven events.

Immediately thereafter a draw was held for Saturday's program with seventy seven (77) head programmed in eleven (11) races.

No Cal-Bred races were used this week.

Scratch time for both days tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.

08/24/10 (3) **Dark Day**

Wednesday

08/25/10 (1) **Scratch Time for Friday's and Saturday's Cards**

At scratch time for Friday's card there were fourteen (14) driver corrections, one (1) trainer correction, one (1) steward scratch and three (3) equipment changes noted.

At scratch time for Saturday's card there were fourteen (14) driver corrections, one (1) trainer correction, one (1) claiming price correction and one (1) equipment change noted.

08/25/10 (2) **Dark Day**

Thursday

08/26/10 (1) **Steward Change**

The Board of Stewards welcomed Veteran Harness Steward Will Meyers. Steward Dennis Nevin returned to the more familiar surroundings at Golden Gate Fields.

08/26/10 (2) **Fifth Race – Timer Malfunction**

The timer failed to function properly for this race. The stewards 'hand timed' the race from the video. The timer was re-booted and functioned properly for the remainder of the card.

08/26/10 (3) **Sixth Race – Chute Accident/Scratch**

Prior to the start of Race #6, #3 "Paul the Powerful" (Ralph Silvestri III), who had suffered a broken 'line pole', was being attended to when the horse reared and fell down.

The horse was immediately scratched by the stewards.

Neither horse or driver suffered any ill effects as a result of the incident.

08/26/10 (4) **Program Changes**

6th Race Declaration - #3 "Paul The Powerful" – Trainer Ralph Silvestri III

Refund: \$3,307 Stewards

#7 "Shoot The Works" – Trainer Matias Ruiz

Refund: \$169 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

08/26/10 (5) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	205
Live Handle (On Track)	\$32,925
Handle (In State)	\$212,634
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$161,505</u>
Total Handle	\$407,064

Friday

08/27/10 (1) **Second Race – Objection/No Change**

At the conclusion of Race #2, Driver George Luster, who drove #4 "Ravenswood Racey", the eventual sixth (6th) place finisher, filed an 'objection' against #4 "Shalana" (Steve Wiseman), the race winner, alleging interference approaching the 3/4 mile marker.

After reviewing films and speaking with the drivers involved, the stewards unanimously concluded that the objection was not substantiated by the video; thus no change.

08/27/10 (2) **Eighth Race – Inquiry/No Change**

The stewards flashed the ‘inquiry’ sign to inquire into the actions of #8 “Alpine Hawk” (Richard Wojcio), the eventual fourth (4th) place finisher, who broke stride mid-stretch, but regained his proper gait before the finish. After reviewing film, the stewards unanimously concluded that #8 complied with the breaking rule; thus no change.

08/27/10 (3) **Program Changes**

1st Race Declaration - #7 “Cinnamon” – Trainer Rick Cisco
Refund: \$244 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

08/27/10 (4) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	343
Live Handle (On Track)	\$31,810
Handle (In State)	\$299,287
Handle (Out of State)	\$226,108
Total Handle	\$557,205

Saturday

08/28/10 (1) **Qualifying Entries and Sheet**

The race office was open, accepting entries for qualifying races with a post of 5:00 p.m.

The resultant qualifying sheet showed twenty-four (24) horses competing in four (4) qualifying events.

A minor issue with the horse “Dontmakemebeg”, was resolved with very little problem, mainly due to the cooperation of race office staff.

08/28/10 (2) **Qualifying Races**

Qualifying races were conducted commencing at 5:00 p.m. Twenty one (21) of twenty four (24) horses were successful in their qualifying effort.

08/28/10 (3) **Seventh Race – Recall**

Starter Bill Vallandingham ordered a ‘recall’ prior to the start of Race #7 when #5 “Yougotwhatyouwant” (James Covemaker) broke stride and moved to this left, interfering with #5 “Exit Hanover” (Luke Plano).

The field was re-formed and the second attempt at a start was successful, with no further incidents.

Driver James Covemaker was held blameless in the incident.

08/28/10 (4) **Fourth Race – Driver to Report to Film Review**

Driver Luke Plano (#3 “Well Heeled”), the eventual race winner, was ordered to film review after the stewards observed him with his left foot ‘out of the stirrup’; a rule violation.

The stewards ordered this review as Driver Plano has had several violations of this violation in the past. More to follow.

- 08/28/10 (5) **Eighth Race – House Whipping Rule Violation/Driver Sanction**
 Driver Chris Lefebvre (#4 “Santa Rosalia”) was contacted by the stewards at the conclusion of Race #8 as he was observed ‘whipping one-handed before the 7/8 mile marker.
 Driver Lefebvre, who had been previously warned for a similar infraction, waived his right to a hearing and accepted the following penalty:

Ruling # 04

Driver Chris Lefebvre, who drove #4 “Santa Rosalia” in the Eighth Race on August 28, 2010, is hereby fined the sum of Fifty (\$50) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Violation Of ‘Cal-Expo House Whipping Rule’ – (2) Drivers Must Keep One Line Or Rein Or Handhold In Each Hand At All Times During The Race Except When The Horse And Driver Reach The 7/8 Pole Marker During The Race).

- 08/28/10 (6) **Program Changes**
 9th Race Declaration - #8 “Whatgoesaround” – Trainer Gretchen Smith
 Refund: \$123 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

- 08/28/10 (7) **Attendance and Handle**
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| Attendance | 488 |
| Live Handle (On Track) | \$30,124 |
| Handle (In State) | \$234,737 |
| Handle (Out of State) | <u>\$177,163</u> |
| Total Handle | \$442,024 |

RULINGS ISSUED THIS WEEK

- 08/26/10 03 Driver Troyce Thomas, who drove #3 “Ask Me To The Ball” in the Fourth Race on August 21, 2010, is hereby fined the sum of Fifty (\$50) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Violation of ‘Cal-Expo House Whipping Rule’ – (2) Drivers Must Keep One Line Or Rein Or Handhold In Each Hand At All Times During The Race Except When The Horse And Driver Reach The 7/8 Pole Marker During The Race. (4)(A) Any Blatant Or Exaggerated Movements Of The Whipping Arm Which Will Result From Raising The Elbow Above The Driver’s Shoulder Height And/Or Allowing The Hand Holding The Whip To Reach Behind The Driver During The Use Of The Whip).

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

**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 RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
26-Aug	6	7	SHOOT THE WORKS	RUIZ	Injured	Goodbary	\$169.00
27-Aug	1	7	CINNAMON	CISCO	Injured	Goodbary	\$244.00
28-Aug	9	8	WHATGOESAROUND	SMITH	Injured	Goodbary	\$123.00

WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Bakersfield	\$	3,066.80
Fresno	\$	2,058.40
Fresno Club One	\$	2,027.00
Golden Gate	\$	27,808.60
Monterey	\$	6,259.80
Pleasanton	\$	15,670.40
Sacramento	\$	77,102.00
San Jose	\$	20,481.40
San Mateo	\$	34,961.90
Santa Rosa	\$	7,617.80
Stockton	\$	9,280.10
Tulare	\$	116.70
Turlock	\$	317.20
Vallejo	\$	8,789.00
So. California	\$	265,761.40
Out of State	\$	564,776.04

CAL-EXPO HARNESS ASSOCIATION**SUMMARY 2010**

	Mon 08/23	Tues 08/24	Wed 08/25	Thurs 08/26	Fri 08/27	Sat 08/28	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	0	0	0	0	0
Claims	R	R	R	0	1	1	2	9
Disqualifications	K	K	K	0	0	0	0	5
Inquiries	D	D	D	0	1	0	1	8
Refunds	A	A	A	2	1	1	4	12
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	1	0	0	1	3

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

All drivers submitted to a breath analyzer test.

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

Brent McLaren, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward