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Golden Gate Fields

Albany, California

Report of the Board of StewardsTo the California Horse Racing Board

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Report for the period Sunday, May 16, 2010 through Saturday, May 22, 2010.**Sunday****05-16-10¹ EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

3rd race: #4 IZZACOPY (Tr. Bud Klokstad) injured
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 141.00

8th race: #3 LIT DE BET (Tr. R. B. Hess) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 255.00

05-16-10² LATE SCRATCH – Third Race – REFUND

#1 ORIENTATION HALL, trained by John Martin, was scratched on the advice of track veterinarian Heather Kerr, D.V.M. after she reported the horse flipped in the paddock and was not able to put forth his best effort. The refund amounted to \$4,901.18. The additional refund for no show wagering amounted to \$782.92.

05-16-10³ ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

GGF	4,597	\$ 601,887.20
NCOT	2,763	\$ 919,646.70
SCOT		\$ 516,597.90
Out of State		<u>\$1,188,687.82</u>
TOTAL	7,360	\$3,226,819.62

Wednesday**05-19-10¹ NO COMMENTARY**

There were no late scratches on today's seven race program, no California bred races offered and the morning's office hours along with the afternoon's racing card were completed without noteworthy incident.

05-19-10² **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,078	\$	221,200.00
NCOT	1,749	\$	492,820.10
SCOT		\$	245,176.30
<u>Out of State</u>		\$	<u>968,396.52</u>
TOTAL	2,827	\$	1,927,592.92

Thursday05-20-10¹ **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

4 th race:	#2 COURT RULE	(Tr. Jose Godinez)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 86.20
5 th race:	#2 KAHLUA MIST	(Tr. Matt Chew)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$478.60

05-20-10² **LATE RIDER CHANGE – Third Race**

#5 SIERRA SEVEN, trained by William Nolan, unseated jockey Hector Romero twice just after the field left the paddock for the parade in front of the grandstand. Romero passed word through outrider Billy Cambra that he no longer wanted the mount on SIERRA SEVEN. The horse was returned to the paddock where jockey Diego Sanchez accepted the call and finished fifth.

05-20-10³ **PULLED UP – Third Race – ONE MILE (Turf)**

#2 SIBERIAN MAGIC, trained by Holly Evans and ridden by Leslie Mawing, went wrong at the ¼ (left front) and was pulled up and dismounted without incident. The injuries were catastrophic and the horse was euthanized at the scene.

05-20-10⁴ **STEWARDS INQUIRY – Accident – Fifth Race (Turf) – NO CHANGE**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to determine the cause of a spill near the 3/16 when #8 CHOBE CHIKA fell, unseating jockey Julien Couton. After a thorough review the stewards affirmed the order of finish posted on the tote board.

Tapes showed that CHOBE CHIKA, racing on the outside as the field entered the top of the stretch of this 5/8 turf sprint, lost her footing and fell, throwing Couton. No other horses were involved. CHOBE CHIKA suffered no ill effects from the incident but Couton was removed from his remaining mount after Dr. Seftel reported he had suffered a mild concussion and a bruised hip. An accident report is attached.

The bottom of the far turn on the turf course is now an area of concern after two jockeys have recently reported the area is becoming torn up due to excessive use. The turf course crew inspected the turn prior to the fifth race and will take appropriate measures to correct any problems. Whether this incident was caused by the course condition was not readily discernible.

05-20-10⁵ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,438	\$	245,578.20
NCOT	2,082	\$	586,220.40
SCOT		\$	239,393.10
<u>Out of State</u>		\$	<u>709,713.93</u>
TOTAL	3,520	\$	1,780,905.63

Friday05-21-10¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

Today's second race featured fillies and mares, three year olds and upward, bred or sired in California racing six furlongs for claiming prices ranging from \$16,000 down to \$14,000 and five ladies entered.

05-21-10² **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

2nd race: #4 CARISSA (Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer) unsound
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 529.00

There was no show wagering on this race resulting in an additional \$19.00 refund.

6th race: #7 LA INDIA ELEGANT (Tr. Ruben Villalobos) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 38.80
8th race: #1 CONTINENTAL CREAM (Tr. Efrain Miranda) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 70.10
#3 BEAUTIFUL SLEW (Tr. J. M. Chandler) injured
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 111.20

Show wagering was cancelled with only four wagering interests and the additional refund amounted to \$109.10.

05-21-10³ **IN THE CLEAR**

The afternoon's eight race program was conducted in a problem free fashion.

05-21-10⁴ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,514	\$ 272,139.20
NCOT	2,473	\$ 745,567.70
SCOT		\$ 217,044.20
Out of State		\$1,124,079.64
TOTAL	3,987	\$2,358,830.74

Saturday05-22-10¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

For the five day race week one race written for horses bred or sired in California filled and was included on the program.

05-22-10² **RULING NO. 82 – JAMES** (Case #10GG058)

Trainer **GREG C. JAMES**, who started the horse **SHE'S OUTTA THERE**, fifth place finisher in the fourth race at Golden Gate Fields on February 25, 2010, is fined the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation for California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a) & (d) (Medications, Drugs and Other Substances: Unapproved Substance – Methocarbamol [Class 4]).

The above ruling was issued following an informal hearing where James accepted responsibility for the test results. He is at a loss to explain the reading because he didn't treat this horse any different than all the others he's medicated in the last year.

James had a previous Methocarbamol eleven months and 12 days prior to this one and was given credit for that fact when the stewards were considering the penalty. The penalty guidelines recommend a one thousand dollar fine for a second offense within a year.

05-22-10³ **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

5th race: #5 WINFER (Tr. Jeff Metz) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 72.20
7th race: #8 LUNCH TIME (Tr. Steve Miyadi) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$267.00
9th race: #5 PREEMPTORY (Tr. Steve Specht) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$393.60

05-22-10⁴ **HOLLENDORFER vs. SCHLOSS/LEBOWITZ** (Case #10GG092 & 10GG093)

A formal hearing was convened into a financial complaint filed by trainer Jerry Hollendorfer against owners Jamie Schloss and Harry Lebowitz alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility). The complaints state that Schloss is in arrears to Hollendorfer in the amount of \$2481.88 while Lebowitz is indebted in the amount of \$4855.38. The money is owed for a training bill on the horse STRAWBERRY LAKE.

Prior to opening the record the stewards encouraged the parties to resolve the matter without our intervention in an outer office. When they returned an agreement had been reached. The resolution was entered on the record and the matter deemed closed.

05-22-10⁵ **RULINGS NO. 83 & 84 – COVARRUBIAS BROTHERS**

#83 Owner **CRISTIAN MARCELO COVARRUBIAS (dba Covarrubias Brothers, LLC)**, having failed to abide by the terms of a signed payment agreement with San Francisco Equine, Inc. is hereby suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility) pending satisfaction of the outstanding obligation.

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of CRISTIAN MARCELO COVARRUBIAS are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

#84 Owner **HUMBERTO H. COVARRUBIAS (dba Covarrubias Brothers, LLC)**, having failed to abide by the terms of a signed payment agreement with San Francisco Equine, Inc. is hereby suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility) pending satisfaction of the outstanding obligation.

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of HUMBERETO H. COVARRUBIAS are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The above rulings were issued after we received written notification that the payment agreement signed by all parties had been breached by the brothers.

05-22-10⁶ **STEWARDS' INQUIRY – Sixth Race – DISQUALIFICATION**

The stewards lit the inquiry lamp to review an incident at the 1/16 involving the show horse, #3 CLUB BENFICA, ridden by Abel Cedillo, and the fifth placed horse, #4 IPPON with Russell Baze in the saddle, when Baze was observed checking his mount along the rail. After a thorough review CLUB BENFICA was disqualified from third and placed fifth behind IPPO.

Tapes showed that CLUB BENFICA came in at the 1/16 and caused Baze to check his mount as his racing room evaporated. The incident, in the stewards' opinion, cost IPPON the opportunity at a better placing. Cedillo will view the tapes of the race with the stewards on the morrow.

Original Order of Finish: 1 – 6 – (3) – 5 – 4

Official Order of Finish: 1 – 6 – 5 – 4 – (3)

05-22-10⁷ **STEWARDS' INQUIRY – Seventh Race – NO CHANGE**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to evaluate an incident around the far turn which

saw #5 DEFENSIVE MOVE (7th, Leslie Mawing) fail to negotiate the far turn taking #7 BUCK TUDDY BUCK (6th, Chris Russell) off his path in the process. Since BUCK TUDDY BUCK out-finished DEFENSIVE MOVE a disqualification was unwarranted.

DEFENSIVE MOVE was placed on the stewards' list for bolting and will be required to work around the turn prior to re-entry.

05-22-10⁸ **JOCKEY OBJECTION – Eighth Race – NO CHANGE**

The stewards illuminated the objection sign when jockey Jorge Ayarza (5th, #4 BOBSONG FORANA) lodged a claim of foul against both #5 QUICK CAPER (6th, Julien Couton) and #8 MINUTESANDTOUCHES (3rd, Frank Alvarado). Ayarza alleged interference around the far turn near the ¼. After a thorough review the stewards disallowed the claim of foul.

Tapes showed that BOBSONG FORANA was racing along the rail at the 1/4 in tight quarters with both QUICK CAPER and MINUTESANDTOUCHES to his outside. Ayarza steadied BOBSONG FORANA but, in the stewards' opinion, it was not due to the actions of either QUICK CAPER or MINUTESANDTOUCHES. BOBSONG FORANA was trying to get out around the turn and contributed to the contact. Further, BOBSONG FORANA out finished QUICK CAPER which would leave MINUTESANDTOUCHES solely responsible for the incident should a disqualification be warranted and the camera angles were inconclusive to put the onus on that horse.

05-22-10⁹ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	2,804	\$ 577,110.30
NCOT	3,085	\$1,044,082.90
SCOT		\$ 527,992.60
Out of State		\$1,064,399.55
TOTAL	5,889	\$3,213,585.35

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

ATTENDANCE REPORT - The full Board of Stewards was in attendance each racing 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
16-May	3	1	ORIENTATION HALL	Martin	injured	Kerr	\$4,901.18
		4	IZZACOPY	Klokstad	injured	Isbell	\$141.00
		8	LIT DE BET	Hess	sick	Isbell	\$255.00
20-May	4	2	COURT RULE	Godinez	sick	Isbell	\$86.20
		5	KAHLUA MIST	Chew	sick	Isbell	\$468.60
21-May	2	4	CARISSA	Hollendorfer	unsound	Isbell	\$529.00
		6	LA INDIA ELEGANT	Villalobos	sick	Isbell	\$38.80
		8	CONTINENTAL CREAM	Miranda	sick	Isbell	\$70.10
22-May	5	3	BEAU TIFUL SLEW	Chandler	injured	Isbell	\$111.20
		5	WINFER	Metz	sick	Isbell	\$72.20
		7	LUNCH TIME	Miyadi	sick	Isbell	\$267.00
		9	PREEMPTORY	Specht	sick	Isbell	\$393.60

VETERINARY REPORT**Euthanized / Died**

05-20-10 Siberian Magic (Tr. Holly Evans) left front ankle disarticulated – closed – possible sesamoid fracture; Turf Course - racing

Veterinarian's List

There were eighteen (18) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 8
Injured: 5
Unsound: 3
Bled: 0
Medication: 2

There were sixteen (16) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 7
Injured: 6
Unsound: 2
Bled: 0
Medication: 1

Shockwave Therapy: There were no shockwave therapy treatments reported.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	100	\$	25,356.10
Bakersfield	395	\$	93,697.70
Fresno	303	\$	97,315.30
Fresno Club One	83	\$	41,605.30
Monterey	309	\$	112,262.30
Pleasanton	1755	\$	712,572.20
Sacramento	1192	\$	403,137.10
San Jose	1925	\$	540,510.70
San Mateo	3021	\$	984,190.90
Santa Rosa	698	\$	168,995.50
Stockton	949	\$	222,831.10
Tulare	197	\$	49,510.40
Turlock	463	\$	126,238.60
Vallejo	762	\$	210,114.60
So. California		\$	1,746,204.10
Out of State		\$	5,055,277.46

	16-May	19-May	20-May	21-May	22-May	WEEK	Meet
ACCIDENTS	0	0	1	0	0	1	7
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	1	0	1	6
CLAIMS	0	2	5	2	0	9	128
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	0	0	1	1	16
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	0	0	1	0	3	4	50
REFUNDS	3	0	2	4	3	12	256
RULINGS	0	0	0	0	3	3	84

Respectfully submitted,

John B. Herbuveaux, Steward

Darrel McHargue, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward