

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of April 23, 2019 through April 28, 2019.

Tuesday

4/23/2019

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will preside over morning business and shall record the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens three years old for a \$5,000 claim, was used open with one Cal-Bred.

(3) THE DRAW

Fifty-one (51) horses passed the entry box enabling the racing office to put together three Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races.

Wednesday

4/24/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

One rider switch completed Friday's program changes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$10,000 claim, failed to attract an entry.

(3) THE DRAW

Fifty-four (54) horses will comprise Saturday evening's eight race program.

Thursday

4/25/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

The only change on Saturday's card was one declaration.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$6,250 tag, was off with three Cal-Breds.

(3) THE DRAW

It was another successful week having filled eight races each of the three days we are scheduled to race.

Friday
4/26/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time for Sunday resulted in two rider changes.

(2) SAFETY STEWARD CHANGE

Paul Atkinson will fill in as Safety Steward this weekend while David Nuesch attends to some personal business.

(3) RULING #100

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TRAINER RUBEN GOMEZ IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1845 (d) (AUTHORIZED BLEEDER MEDICATION) FOR FAILURE TO HAVE A LICENSED EMPLOYEE PRESENT FOR FUROSEMIDE ADMINISTRATION- SECOND FILED COMPLAINT FROM MULTIPLE INCIDENTS OVER THE LAST YEAR.

The foregoing ruling was issued after trainer Ruben Gomez failed to appear to address complaint #19LA0077. According to Dr. Fitzgerald, she has warned him on numerous occasions and it continues to be an ongoing problem.

(4) COMPLAINT #19LA0078

An informal hearing was convened today to address the above complaint. Mr. Lucas insisted that the entire incident was a misunderstanding. He argued that he did not intentionally mislead Dr. Fitzgerald as to the horse's condition or whereabouts. The only one in the room that bought that scenario was trainer Lucas. A decision will be made concerning this issue.

(5) CLAIM VOIDED

The fourth race claim of "Bos Dream" by Jorge Farias was voided after the gelding was injured approaching the finish and was vanned off.

(6) INQUIRY-DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the fifth race to review an incident just prior to the finish. #4 "My Friend Cindy" (1st- O. Andrade Jr.) drifted in crossing in front of #2 "Ferarri Prize Jive" (4th- A. Zepeda) causing him to check. After speaking with the involved riders and reviewing the race, the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify "My Friend Cindy".

Original Order (4)-1-6-2-5-3

Official Order 1-6-2-(4)-5-3

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

1 st Race	#2 Baba Be Gone (J. Nunez) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$450.90
1 st Race	#3 Bless The Cause (K. Castaneda) – Unsound- Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$140.00
1 st Race	#4 Ghost Lady (K. Castaneda) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$50.00
3 rd Race	#6 My Ebony Star (J. Nunez) – Entered back– Steward's. Refund \$272.00
3 rd Race	#7 Passion For Papa (A. Aquino) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund #266.00
8 th Race	# The Revenant (J. Cooper) – Entered back– Stewards. Refund \$118.80

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	556	On Track Handle:	\$76,791.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,745</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$232,280.60
Total:	2,301	Out of State:	<u>\$699,356.25</u>
			\$1,008,427.85

Saturday
4/27/2019

(1) RULING #101

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TRAINER ROBERT LUCAS IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1530 (CASES NOT COVERED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS) AND #1874 (DISORDERLY CONDUCT – IMPEDING RACING VETERINARIAN FROM PERFORMING HER DUTIES) FOR FAILING TO DISCLOSE THE NATURE OF AN INJURY AND MISLEADING THE VETERINARIAN AS TO THE LOCATION OF THE HORSE.

After considering the testimony given (Refer 4/26/19-#4), the foregoing ruling was issued.

(2) COMPLAINTS #19LA0038, #19LA0045

Both of these complaints involved the horse "Papa Jerry's Girl" owned by Juan Moya and trained by Jesus Nunez. Present at the informal hearing were owner Moya, trainer Nunez, the Board of Stewards with investigator Dennis Drulias presenting the case. Owner Moya testified that he had engaged vet Gayle O'Bannon, unlicensed by the Board, to treat "Papa Jerry's Girl". She injected both stifles and two ankles with an unknown medication. Moya said owner Rodrigo Maldonado assists him at the ranch and witnessed the treatment. When they attempted to contact Dr. O'Bannon to inquire as to the nature of the medication, they got no response. As for trainer Nunez, he had no input whatsoever, this being another example of program training. He has had a number of medication violations mostly due to his habit of taking ship-in horses. This testimony will be evaluated and a decision will be rendered in both matters.

(3) FILMS

We were unable to show Eduardo Nicasio last evenings final race due to television difficulties. In any event, the incident only amounted to a warning.

(4) RULING #102

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JOCKEY OSCAR ANDRADE JR. WHO RODE "MY FRIEND CINDY" IN THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 26, 2019, IS SUSPENDED THREE RACING DAYS (MAY 4TH, 5TH AND 10TH 2019) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIRST TO FOURTH 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.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Jockey Oscar Andrade Jr. failed to appear to defend his actions in last evenings fifth race which resulted in his disqualification (Refer 4/26/19-#6).

(5) INQUIRY-NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the third race to review the break. #6 "Swiss Empress" stumbled badly at the start unseating Jockey Ramon Guce. No other horses were affected and Guce was uninjured. No change was warranted.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #3 Dixie Bobbie (R. Bean) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$138.00
2nd Race #2 Song of Thorns (M. Stortz) – Sick - Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$1,430.00
3rd Race #1 Pretty Hussar (A. Sherman) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$163.00
3rd Race #4 Tell My Fortune (K. Craigmyle) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$172.00

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	929	On Track Handle:	\$82,795.90
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,848</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$240,075.50
Total:	2,777	Out of State:	<u>\$769,003.50</u>
			\$1,091,874.90

Sunday
4/28/2019

(1) RULINGS #103, #104

RULING # 103

OWNER JUAN MOYA, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "PAPA JERRY'S GIRL" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 16, 2019, IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (a & b) (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (a, b

& d)(MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (b) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), AND #1844 (f)(13) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-TRIAMCINOLONE (248 PG/ML) IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL – 100 PG/ML).

RULING # 104

TRAINER JESUS NUNEZ, WHO STARTED THE HORSE “PAPA JERRY’S GIRL” IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 16, 2019, IS FINED SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,500.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (a) (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (a, b & d)(MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (b) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), AND #1844 (f)(13) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-TRIAMCINOLONE (248 PG/ML) IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL – 100 PG/ML).

After due deliberation of the testimony given (Refer 4/27/19-#2), the foregoing rulings were issued concerning these matters.

(2) **CLALIM VOIDED**

The second race claim of “Six Eighteen” by trainer Louis Bradvica was voided after Dr. Beck placed the gelding on the vet’s list as unsound. He was returned to trainer Angela Aquino.

(3) **INQUIRY-NO CHANGE**

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the fifth race to examine an incident shortly after the start. #5 “Dream On Brother” (5th –O. Santos) was drifting in as #4 “Rocky’s Show” (3rd – E. Hernandez) came out slightly. When the two made contact, they bumped #3 “Jen’s Journey” (1st – E. Payeras) knocking him off stride. After speaking with the riders and reviewing the films, the Stewards all felt that #5 “Dream On Brother” was the cause of the incident. Both of the other horses involved beat him, so no action was necessary.

(4) **CLAIM VOIDED**

The third race claim of “Evening Again” by trainer Jesus Uranga was voided after the mare was placed on the vet’s list as unsound by Dr. Beck. She was returned to trainer Jesus Nunez.

(5) **LATE DECLARATIONS**

1st Race #4 Great Salvation (J. Mendoza) – Sick– Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$140.00
1st Race #5 Slew The Waters (G. Ruffu) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$193.00
4th Race #3 Dutt Bart (G. Ruffu) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund \$77.00

(6) **ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE**

On Track Attendance:	536	On Track Handle:	\$67,146.00
Off Track Attendance:	1,741	Off Track Handle:	\$249,941.00
Total:	2,277	Out of State:	\$659,398.42
			\$976,485.42

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on April 28, 2019. Two equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period 14 horses were added to the Veterinarian’s List as follows: 6 for soundness, 5 for injury, and 3 for sickness. Six horses previously on the Veterinarian’s List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

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SUMMARY
2019**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 4/26	SAT 4/27	SUN 4/28	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	2
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		3	2	5	10	100
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	1	0	0	1	9
INQUIRIES	D				1	1	1	3	20
REFUNDS		A			6	4	3	13	148
RULINGS			Y		1	2	2	5	104
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	1	0	2	3	17

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

James Dreyer (Steward)

Scott Chaney (Steward)

Tom Ward (Steward)

Paul Atkinson (Safety Steward)