

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 January 25 through January 28, 2018.

THURSDAY

01/25/2018

(1) **MORNING DUTY**

Tom Ward was on duty this past Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday to oversee the entry process and also handle scratches and changes. Entries for Friday and Saturday were quite slow, but Sunday proved a different story as five trials for the Maiden Stakes were carded. As usual, scratches and changes were held to a minimum, and Cal Bred races were nowhere to be found. Ward will also author minutes for the upcoming week.

FRIDAY

01/26/2018

(1) **EARLY DECLARATIONS**

2nd race - #7 Carulli (Vet-sick) refund of \$1,029.00

(2) **MEDICATION HEARING**

Trainer Charles "Chuck" Treece was in the office this evening for an informal hearing regarding the post-race sample obtained from his horse Crowded Way, the second place finisher in the fifth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on November 19, 2017. The Sample showed the presence of 2.35ug/ml of Phenylbutazone, which is over the allowable level of 2.00 if the medication.

Mr. Treece said he thinks the problem occurred as the horse's groom, a new employee, admitted that he made a mistake and gave the horse three pills of the medication instead of the normal dose of two. Since the findings were just over the permitted level, it seems plausible that this was the cause of the overage.

After discussion, the ruling was issued.

RULING # 22

TRAINER CHARLES TREECE WHO STARTED THE HORSE "CROWDED WAY", THE SECOND PLACE FINISHER IN THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 19, 2017, IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF THE HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A, B & D)(MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (B)(PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), AND #1844 (C)(1)(PHENYLBUTAZONE (2.35 UG/ML) IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL (2.0 UG/ML).

(3) VOIDED CLAIM

The claim submitted prior to the second race by trainer Angela Aquino for #1 Whatahandsomecat was voided as Official Veterinarian Gary Beck informed us that the horse was unsound in the right foreleg during its time in the detention barn. The horse was returned to the barn of trainer Jesus Nunez.

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	615	On Track Handle:	\$99,647.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,847</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$308,264.50
Total:	2,462	Out of State:	<u>\$722,698.17</u>
		Total:	\$1,130,609.87

SATURDAY

01/27/2018

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

- 5th race - #1 Justonetimebaby (Vet-injured)
#3 This Dance Is Mine(Vet-injured) refund of \$189.00
- 6th race - #5 J J Spanish Foose (Stewards – farrier unable to affix racing plates) refund \$494.00

(2) RIDER EXCUSED

Jockey Ramon Sanchez was excused from his mounts this evening due to illness. Replacement riders were named. Jockey G. Jairo Rangel was excused from his only mount of the evening as he started to “cramp up”. A replacement was named.

(3) RULING #23

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JOCKEY RAMON SANCHEZ IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND – FIRST OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD). DURING THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 21, 2018.

This ruling was issued after the rider accepted his penalty for violating the “crop” rule.

(4) CLAIM VOIDED

A claim deposited in the fourth race by trainer Charles Treece for #4 Double A Kaf A was voided as Official Veterinarian Gary Beck reposted that the horse was “off” in the right foreleg during its time in the detention barn. The horse was returned to the barn of trainer Kelly Castaneda.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	830	On Track Handle:	\$82,561.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,850</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$286,869.00
Total:	2,680	Out of State:	<u>\$792,825.81</u>
		Total:	\$1,162,256.01

SUNDAY

01/28/2018

(1) RULING #24

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TRAINER RUBEN GOMEZ WHO STARTED THE HORSE “MORE SUN”, THE FIRST PLACE FINISHER IN THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON DECEMBER 17, 2017, IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF THE HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A, & D)(MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), AND #1843.1 (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES COBALT (29.30 NG/ML) IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL (25 NG/ML).

This ruling was issued after Mr. Gomez appeared for an informal hearing into the complaint filed by Board investigators for an overage of Cobalt(29.30ug/ml) found in his horse More Sun, the winner of the fifth race at Los Alamitos Race Course on December 17, 2017. The limit for Cobalt is 25.00ug/ml.

Mr. Gomez testified that the horse's owner, Gary Folgner, brought some products from the Finish Line company to his barn to use as supplements. Included was a product call Iron Power, which is the most likely source of the problem. He indicated that he used the supplement even though he was not aware of the ingredients. User beware!!

(2) RIDER EXCUSED

Jockey Ramon Sanchez was excused from his riding engagements this evening due to illness. Replacement riders were named.

(3) GOOD NIGHT OF RACING

All matters during the course of the racing program were routine.

(4) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	574	On Track Handle:	\$105,528.80
Off Track Attendance	<u>1,617</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$344,113.40
Total:	2,191	Out of State:	<u>\$910,525.24</u>
		Total:	\$1,360,167.44

TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on January 28, 2018. There were no equine deaths to report. During this reporting period 6 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 2 for soundness, 3 for injury, and 1 for sickness. Thirteen horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Tom Ward.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
SUMMARY
2018**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 01/26	SAT 01/27	SUN 01/28	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	2
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		6	1	0	7	35
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	3
INQUIRIES	D				0	0	0	0	6
REFUNDS		A			1	2	0	3	40
RULINGS			Y		1	1	1	3	24
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	1	1	0	2	7

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards Tom Ward, Ron Church, James Dreyer, and Safety Steward David Nuesch were in attendance during this reporting period.

Tom Ward (Steward)

Ron Church (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)

David Nuesch (Steward)