

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 4 through January 7, 2018.

THURSDAY

01/04/2018

(1) **MORNING DUTY**

Tom Ward was in the office this week to oversee entries and scratches. Friday and Saturday will have eight race cards, while Sunday has nine races, including the \$100,000 Charger Bar Handicap. Scratches and changes were held to a minimum. Ward will also author the minutes for the coming week.

FRIDAY

01/05/2018

(1) **EARLY DECLARATIONS**

2nd race - #1 Fortenineteen(Vet-injured) refund of \$227.00
3rd race - #7 Our Nation (Vet-sick) refund of \$460.00
5th race - #6 Casons Dream (Vet-sick) refund of \$159.00
6th race - #2 Kool Cat (Vet-injured) refund of \$84.00
7th race - #6 My Capullo (Entered back on Sunday)
#9 Walk Thru Spectacular (Entered back on Sunday) refund of \$360.00

(2) **RULING #7**

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JOCKEY MARTIN ARRIAGA IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)*
FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872
(FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT) AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE
COURSE ON DECEMBER 29, 2017.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Arriaga took himself off of two mounts due to inability to make his proper weight.

(3) **RULING #8**

RULING # 8

JOCKEY ALEX JIMENEZ 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 FIRST RACE AT LOS
ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON DECEMBER 30, 2017.

The preceding ruling was issued as the rider had no reasonable excuse for violating the "crop" rule.

(4) RIDER EXCUSED

Jockey Cruz Mendez was excused from his mounts this evening as he was ill and could not complete his engagements. Replacement riders were named.

(5) VOIDED CLAIM

The claim deposited in the third race by trainer Kelly Castaneda for #1 Who's Hot was voided as the horse exhibited signs of soreness during its time in the detention barn. The horse was returned to the barn of trainer Chuck Treece.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	640	On Track Handle:	\$104,485.10
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,795</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$286,864.10
Total:	2,435	Out of State:	<u>\$876,125.85</u>
		Total:	\$1,267,475.05

SATURDAY

01/06/2018

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

3rd race - #5 End Of Time (Owner unlicensed) refund of \$553.00

5th race - #5 El Corona (Vet-injured) refund of \$207.00

7th race - #8 Royal Primetime (Vet-sick) refund of \$397.00

(2) RIDER EXCUSED – ONCE AGAIN

Cruz Mendez was once again excused from his mounts this evening as he was still under the weather, suffering from some kind of bug. Replacement riders were named.

(3) RULING #9

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OWNER GUADALUPE ALFREDO TELLEZ, HAVING FAILED TO RESPOND TO A COMPLAINT FILED BY THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1876 (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY - \$1,253.00 TO VETERINARIAN NICOLA HARDGROVE), IS SUSPENDED FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD #1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR). DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF GUADALUPE ALFREDO TELLEZ ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE), GUADALUPE ALFREDO TELLEZ IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

This ruling was issued as Mr. Tellez failed to respond to a complaint filed alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876(Financial Responsibility). Efforts to contact him have proven unsuccessful.

(4) RULING #10 - #12

RULING # 10

JOCKEY ANTONIO G. PEREZ 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 SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 5, 2018.

RULING # 11

JOCKEY G. JAIRO RANGEL IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* 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 – THIRD OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD). DURING THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 5, 2018.

RULING # 12

JOCKEY G. JAIRO RANGEL IS FINED FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* 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 – FOURTH OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD). DURING THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 5, 2018.

These rulings were issued as none of the riders offered excuses for their actions. Mr. Rangel went for a “double header”.

(5) CLAIM VOIDED

A claim deposited in the third race by trainer Justin Clark for #2 Dramatic Angel was voided as Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio reported that the horse was unsound in both forelegs during its time in the detention barn. The horse was returned to the barn of trainer Kelly Castaneda.

(6) CLAIM VOIDED

The claim deposited by trainer Louis Bradvica for Bucky Goldstein was declared void as the horse was “off” in the left foreleg while cooling out in the Receiving Barn. The horse was sent back to the barn of trainer Chuck Treece.

(7) ACCIDENT/INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was posted after the fourth race to review an accident entering the far turn involving the winner, #5 Carulli(M. Ramirez), and #3 Freaky Floyd(C. Franco). After speaking with the available rider and reviewing video of the incident the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify Carulli from first to fifth position. Video showed the winner dropping in without sufficient clearance entering the turn, taking the path of Freaky Floyd and causing that horse to clip heels and stumble sharply. This resulted in jockey Franco being unseated. The rider was quickly administered to by ambulance personnel and then transported to the hospital for observation. The horse was not injured.

(8) RIDER EXCUSED

Carlos Huerta was excused prior to his first mount of the evening as the Clerk of Scales reported that he was “cramping up” after trying to pull weight. Replacement riders were named.

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	686	On Track Handle:	\$90,476.50
Off Track Attendance	<u>1,845</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$337,205.90
Total:	2,531	Out of State:	<u>\$943,205.44</u>
		Total:	\$1,370,887.84

SUNDAY

01/07/2018

(1) A.M DECLARATIONS

3rd race - #4 Acclaimed Cat (Vet-sick) refund of \$104.00

(2) RIDER EXCUSED

Jockey Cesar Franco was excused from his mounts this evening due to illness. Replacement riders were named. Jockey Cesar Gomes was excused from his final two mounts due to cramping. Replacements were also named.

(3) RULING #13

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TRAINER RAUL CORONA IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION – OWNER UNLICENSED RESULTING IN LATE DECLARATION) ON JANUARY 6, 2018.

This ruling was issued after efforts to contact Mr. Corona proved fruitless. The owner was not available, and since Corona was not able to file a temporary application the horse was declared.

(4) RULING #14

RULING # 14

JOCKEY MARCIAL RAMIREZ, WHO RODE "CARULLI" IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 6, 2018, IS SUSPENDED FOR FIVE RACING DAYS (JANUARY 14, 19, 20, 21 AND 26, 2018) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIRST TO FIFTH 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 preceding ruling was issued after the Stewards reviewed video of the fourth race on January 6, in which the rider was responsible for a spill entering the far turn. Mr. Ramirez chose not to appear to defend himself but perhaps he saw that the handwriting was on the wall.

(5) RULING #15

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JOCKEY ALBERTO ZEPEDA IS FINED FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* 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 – FOURTH OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD). DURING THE SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JANUARY 6, 2018.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Mr. Zepeda appeared, but offered no defense for his actions with his "crop".

(6) CLEAN CARD

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

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	587	On Track Handle:	\$107,868.60
Off Track Attendance	<u>1,733</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$389,099.10
Total:	2,320	Out of State:	<u>\$981,942.47</u>
		Total:	\$1,478,910.17

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on January 7, 2018. There were no equine deaths to report this week. During this reporting period 10 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 3 for soundness, 3 for injury, 3 for sickness, and 1 for bleeding. Four horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Tom Ward.

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SUMMARY

2018

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 01/05	SAT 01/06	SUN 01/07	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	1	0	1	1
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		2	2	4	8	12
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	1	0	1	1
INQUIRIES	D				0	1	0	1	3
REFUNDS		A			5	3	1	9	17
RULINGS			Y		2	4	3	9	15
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	1	2	0	3	3

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)