

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 November 18, 2014 through November 23, 2014.

FRIDAY

11/18/2014

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will be present for entries and morning business and will record the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Sub #1 in the book for Friday, maiden two year olds for \$8,000, was off with two (0 CAL-BREDS). Sub #4 in the book, three and up for an \$8,000 claim, was called off with no entries.

(3) THE DRAW

Three Thoroughbred and six Quarter Horse races will be on tap for Friday evening, including the \$25,000 Las Damas Handicap for fillies and mares.

WEDNESDAY

11/19/2014

(1) SCRATCHES

One equipment and two rider switches completed Friday's program changes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The third race in the book, maiden two year olds, was off with one (0 CAL-BREDS). Sub #3 for Saturday, three and up for a claim of \$16,000, failed to attract an entry.

(3) EXHIBITION RACE

Los Alamitos management has elected to run the \$972,100 Los Alamitos Super Derby as an exhibition race with no wagering being offered.

(4) THE DRAW

Saturday's nine race program will be comprised of four Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races.

THURSDAY

11/20/2014

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m. resulting in three rider changes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

Anticipating a full card of futurity trials, no CAL-BRED race was offered for Sunday.

(3) THE DRAW

The Los Alamitos Two Million Futurity Trials will be run in thirteen divisions.

FRIDAY

11/21/2014

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time resulted in one rider change.

(2) RAMIREZ RULING

RULING #202

IN THE MATTER OF: LUIS M. RAMIREZ

HAVING FAILED TO ABIDE BY THE TERMS OF LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION RULING #148 DATED AUGUST 1, 2014, PURSE MONIES TO BE RETURNED, OWNER LUIS M. RAMIREZ IS HEREBY SUSPENDED.

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF LUIS M. RAMIREZ ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE) SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

The above ruling was issued after Owner Luis M. Ramirez failed to abide by the stipulations dictated in Los Alamitos Ruling #148 dated August 1, 2014.

(3) FILMS

After reviewing Sunday's fifth race with Jockey Carlos Marquez, the Stewards and Marquez were in complete agreement that he could have made a better effort to straighten his mount leaving the gate. He was given a warning.

(4) FILMS

Jockey Alex Jimenez represented Jockey Salvador Iniquez at the films this afternoon. Coincidentally, it was Alex's horse that was bumped by Iniquez as the horses entered the stretch in the 4½ furlong race. In a majority decision, Iniquez was given a warning rather than days.

(5) ALMANZA RULING

RULING #203

OWNER JOSE ALMANZA HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 21, 2014, TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE #14LA0283, ALLEGING VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1876 (A) (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY) IS HEREBY SUSPENDED PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1547 (FAILURE TO APPEAR).

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF JOSE ALMANZA ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS TO SUSPEND OR FINE) SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Owner Jose Almanza failed to appear to address Case #14LA0283 alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility).

(6) FOURTH RACE – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

Following the fourth race, the Stewards posted the Inquiry to examine an incident midway through the race. #4 "Like Me Lots" (1st – C. Mendez) drifted out, causing #5 "Litely Toasted" (5th – C. Huerta) to steady slightly. After speaking to the riders involved and reviewing the films, the Stewards felt the incident was minor and the outcome of the race was not

compromised.

(7) SIXTH RACE – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

While the horses were loading for the sixth race, "Eclipse Through Time," who was already in the gate, reared up, causing Jockey Carlos Huerta to step off of the gelding. As the loading was finalized, Huerta began to remount. It appeared to Steward Dreyer that Starter Brinson dispatched the field prior to Huerta being entirely back on "Eclipse Through Time" and voted to declare him a non-starter and refund all money wagered on him. Steward Dreyer was outvoted and, in a majority decision, "Eclipse Through Time" was declared a starter.

(8) LATE DECLARATIONS

4th Race - # 2 Bluegrass Princess (Tr. V. Zamudio) sick, Dr. Beck.
Refund: \$1,195.00.

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	700	On Track Handle:	\$134,312.30
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,754</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$491,985.20
Total:	2,454	Out of State:	<u>\$675,163.22</u>
		Total:	\$1,301,460.72

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$376,583

SATURDAY
11/22/2014

(1) LOZA HEARING – CASE #14LA0281

Following an informal hearing with Trainer Loza, a warning was issued in accordance with California Horse Racing Board Rule #1843.3 (Penalties for Medication Violations – Category "D").

(2) FILMS

Jockey Cruz Mendez was in to review last evening's fourth race with the Stewards. Under a left-handed whip, his mount drifted out, causing the horse trailing him to steady slightly. The incident did not rise to any sanctions, but we felt he should review the race.

(3) STARTER BRINSON VISITS (REFER 11/21/14 #7)

Brinson explained that he had told his assistants that when a rider is getting back on a fractious horse not to point the horse until the rider is tied on. In Gary's defense, the assistant starter was partially obstructing his view, and Huerta was adjusting his right stirrup when the assistant pointed the horse. Gary assumed the rider was ready, and he dispatched the field.

(4) CLEAR SAILING

Saturday evening's ten race program was conducted without incident.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race - # 6 Bitter Heat (Tr. C. Lewis) sick, Dr. Beck.
Refund: \$2,010.00.
6th Race - # 1 Jess A Lucky Devil (Tr. J. Hernandez, Jr.) owner suspended, Stewards.
Refund: \$158.00.
8th Race - # 5 Love That Dream (Tr. A. Aceves) flipped in gate, Stewards.
Refund: \$14,812.00.
7 Chicksee (Tr. L. Melton) broke through gate, Stewards.
Refund: \$7,619.00.

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	899	On Track Handle:	\$96,549.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,930</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$236,207.20
Total:	2,829	Out of State:	<u>\$646,329.58</u>
		Total:	\$979,085.78

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$363,099

SUNDAY
11/23/2014

(1) BOONE RULING

RULING #204

GROOM LEVI BOONE IS PLACED ON PROBATION FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF THIS RULING FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1489 (h) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE - MARIJUANA).

FURTHERMORE, LEVI BOONE SHALL SIGN A TEST AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD.

Having waived his ten day notification right and after an informal hearing, the foregoing ruling was issued. This was Mr. Boone's first offense.

(2) FILMS

Jockey Guillermo Suarez was in to review Friday's fifth race. His mount broke in, and we felt Suarez made a very weak effort to remedy the situation. He was warned that had the horse to his inside not broken as slow as he did, his horse would probably have been disqualified, and he would be spending the next three days in the grandstand.

(3) NO PROBLEMS

Everyone participating in Sunday evening's trials should be completely satisfied after the thirteen races were run virtually incident-free.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

None.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	827	On Track Handle:	\$172,627.80
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,760</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$392,567.50
Total:	2,587	Out of State:	<u>\$1,005,64.68</u>
		Total:	\$1,570,359.98

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$624,277.62

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Vet</u>	<u>Refund</u>
11/21/2014	4	2	Bluegrass Princess	V. Zamudio	Sick	Beck	\$1,195
11/22/2014	3	6	Bitter Heat	C. Lewis	Sick	Beck	\$2,010

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on November 23, 2014. No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period seven horses were added to the Veterinarian's

List as follows: three for soundness, none for injury, two for sickness, two for medication, none for bleeding, none for shock wave therapy, and none for coggins. Nine 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

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 11/21	SAT 11/22	SUN 11/23	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	13
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	26
CLAIMS			R		4	4	0	8	456
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	38
INQUIRIES	D				2	0	0	2	70
REFUNDS		A			1	4	0	5	385
RULINGS			Y		2	0	1	3	204

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards James Dreyer, Ruben Moreno, George Slender and Safety Steward Randy Winick were in attendance during this reporting period.

James Dreyer (Steward)

Ruben Moreno (Steward)

George Slender (Steward)

Randy Winick (Safety Steward)