

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 July 1, 2014 through July 6, 2014.

TUESDAY

07/01/2014

(1) **DUTY STEWARD**

Steward Randy Winick will be on duty this week to record the minutes and attend to morning office matters.

(2) **NO RACING FRIDAY**

There were no entries taken this morning due to the fact that racing on Friday evening, July 4, 2014, has been cancelled for the holiday.

WEDNESDAY

07/02/2014

(1) **ENTRIES AND DRAW**

The draw was commenced at 4:30 p.m. for Saturday evening's program, which resulted in five Quarter Horse and four Thoroughbred events set to be contested.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$16,000 claim, was used open (2 CAL-BREDS). Sub #3 for Saturday, three and four year olds for a \$20,000 tag, was off with no entries.

THURSDAY

07/03/2014

(1) **SCRATCHES**

The 9:00 a.m. deadline for scratches and changes came and went, resulting in only one jockey adjustment in the sixth race for Quarter Horses.

(2) **ENTRIES AND DRAW**

Nine races were drawn for Sunday evening at 1:00 p.m., and the card will consist of six Quarter Horse, two Thoroughbred, and one 870-yard overnight handicap mixed breed race with five Thoroughbreds and three Quarter Horses entered.

FRIDAY

07/04/2014

(1) **NO NIGHT RACING**

Due to the Fourth of July holiday, Los Alamitos management decided not to have live racing on Friday evening.

SATURDAY

07/05/2014

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

There were two races offered in the condition book for CAL-BREDS on Saturday, both of which failed to fill. The second race for maiden allowance two year old fillies going 300 yards attracted only three runners, and sub #2 for \$8,000 claiming, three and four year olds at 350 yards, had only one entrant.

(2) GAVICA RULING

RULING #123

JOCKEY GERARDO P. GAVICA WHO RODE "GRAND TOPPER" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2014, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (JULY 12TH, 13TH, AND 18TH, 2014) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM DEAD HEAT FOR FIRST TO FOURTH POSITION. A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES – CARELESS RIDING).

THE TERM OF THIS SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES IN CALIFORNIA.

Jockey Gerardo Gavica was in to review his ride and subsequent disqualification in the first race on Sunday, June 29, 2014. Mr. Gavica was repeatedly hitting his mount right-handed while continuing to drift inward, causing #3 to his inside to take up while being squeezed out, losing the opportunity for a better placing. Mr. Gavica gave no plausible excuse.

(3) MONTES TELEPHONIC HEARING

RULING #124

TRAINER DANNY S. MONTES IS FINED FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION – CAUSING TWO HORSES TO BE DECLARED) ON SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2014.

The above ruling was ordered against Trainer Danny Montes for causing two of his horses on Saturday evening, June 28, 2014, to be scratched due to his assistant/groom in charge, who brought up the wrong horse for the second race. The horse was actually the horse he had in the fourth race. Official Veterinarian Dr. Gary Beck could not verify if they were treated correctly with lasix due to the treatment slips being questionable as to their accurate time of administration and the handwritten time. Mr. Montes offered that his groom/assistant was very nervous being in charge while he was away on business and may have mixed the horses up, both at lasix administration and when they left the Receiving Barn. He said it would not happen again.

(4) ANOTHER MENDEZ

Exercise rider, 20 year old Samuel Mendez, was in with Assistant Trainer Jesus Nunez to discuss the requirements to become a jockey like his two brothers, Santiago and Cruz, who are among the annual leading riders here at Los Alamitos. Judge Slender went over the requirements and things we expect of a new, young first-time jockey. Mr. Cruz had all the necessary signatures required and was told he could go to the Licensing Office to get his license.

(5) SEVENTH RACE – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

Shortly after the start of the seventh race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) #4 "Hot Rocking" (D.N.F. – Carlos Huerta) appeared to lock up or go off in her hind quarters. The filly first stumbled and then went off behind, and shortly thereafter, Jockey Carlos Huerta fell off. Carlos was attended to by the Huntington E.M.T.'s, who released him as uninjured. Mr. Huerta was on his feet and walking off the track under his own power. The equine ambulance picked up the loose horse on the backside, and the horse did not appear to be too badly injured, as she walked on quickly under her own power. The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign shortly after the finish of the race and observed that this incident was of the filly's own doing. No change.

(6) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race - # 6 Sharp Bella (Tr. B. Vickery) no show, Stewards. Refund: \$4,767.00.

2nd Race - # 1 Kitsi claimed, Tr. J. Moreno.

3rd Race - # 3 Bucks Luckster corrected – Tr. K. Craigmyle.

4 Tsunami Jack (Tr. K. Craigmyle) flipped in Paddock, Dr. Fitzgerald.
Refund: \$3,064.00.

5th Race - # 6 Tricky Liz claimed, Tr. L. Campuzano.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,247	On Track Handle:	\$184,378.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,930</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$451,325.50
Total:	3,177	Out of State:	<u>\$639,970.53</u>
		Total:	\$1,275,674.23

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$408,518

SUNDAY

07/06/2014

(1) CAL-BRED REPORT

The third race for California-bred maiden two year olds, going 300 yards, went open with six, two being California-bred. The sixth race in the book for three year olds and upward, claiming price \$8,000 at 350 yards, was called off without an entrant.

(2) VICKERY RULING

RULING #125

TRAINER BRET VICKERY IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION – FAILED TO BRING HORSE TO THE RECEIVING BARN ON SATURDAY, JULY 5, 2014.

The above ruling was issued to Trainer Bret Vickery due to his horse in the first race failing to appear in the Receiving Barn for identification prior to the deadline to be able to race. Trainer Vickery was out of town and failed to have a reasonable answer why.

(4) FOURTH RACE – JOCKEY/TRAINER OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

There was a double objection following the running of the fourth race (Quarter Horse/Thoroughbred – 870 yards) from two separate interests. The first objection was lodged by the trainer of #5 “Moonshine Ridge” (4th – Osvaldo Macias), Sergio Fiscal, who said #6 “Tres Primeros” (2nd – Gary Boag) came in on his horse and jockey on the turn, nearing the 3/16 pole, causing him to take up and lose any chance at a better placing.

The second objection was lodged by Jockey Vinnie Bednar aboard #1 “Sparkle Joel” (3rd) in or near the same area as the previous objection, where he was vying for the lead on the inside rail position. After a long, thorough review, the Stewards ruled that there be no change to the original order of finish as there was not a substantive view of any interference that the film could confirm.

(5) EIGHTH RACE – INQUIRY – DOUBLE DISQUALIFICATION

Following the finish of the eighth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards), the Stewards called for the Inquiry light to be engaged to review an incident shortly after the start where #3 “Ynot Walk” (1st – G. Suarez) broke outward and into #3 “Wilson Wheelz” (4th – C. De Alba), causing him to be squeezed into #5 “Risky Bones” (3rd – R. Valenzuela) who also broke sharply inward into #3, which completed the “squeeze” on that one with #2 to the inside. After talking to all three riders involved and reviewing all angles of the taped replay, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify both #2 and #5 in a double disqualification and place #3 up to second place. Both offending riders will be in to review the films next Friday.

Original Order of Finish: (2) – 6 – (5) – 3

Official Order of Finish: 6 – 3 – (2) – (5)

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race - # 5 Rio Good claimed, tr. G. Morales.

3rd Race - # 2 Taylor's Journey (Tr. V. Aguayo) medication, Dr. Beck. Refund: \$1,046.00.
4 Good Lite claimed, Tr. J. Moreno.
5th Race - # 1 RV Valentin (Tr. A. Aquino) sick, Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund: \$339.00.
8th Race - # 1 First Down Tiny Man (Tr. C. O'Dell) injured, Dr. Fitzgerald. Refund: \$194.00.
4 Tempting Cash (Tr. D. Ekins) sick, Dr. Beck. Refund: \$622.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	866	On Track Handle:	\$150,847.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,689</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$374,375.10
Total:	2,555	Out of State:	<u>\$701,880.75</u>
		Total:	\$1,227,102.85

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$496,596

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>
7/5/2014	3	4	Tsunami Jack	K. Craigmyle	Flipped in Paddock	Fitzgerald	\$3,064
7/6/2014	3	2	Taylor's Journey	V. Aguayo	Medication	Beck	\$1,046
	5	1	RV Valentin	A. Aquino	Sick	Fitzgerald	\$339
	8	1	First Down Tiny Man	C. O'Dell	Injured	Fitzgerald	\$194

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on July 6, 2014. No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period six horses were added to the Veterinarian's

List as follows: one for soundness, one for injury, two for sickness, none for medication, one for bleeding, one for shock wave therapy, and none for coggins. Two horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Randy Winick.

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD SUMMARY

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 07/04	SAT 07/05	SUN 07/06	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				-	0	0	0	5
CAL-BRED RACES		A			-	0	0	0	2
CLAIMS			R		-	2	2	4	255
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	-	0	2	2	24
INQUIRIES	D				-	1	3	4	38
REFUNDS		A			-	2	4	6	207
RULINGS			Y		-	2	2	4	126

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

Randy Winick (Steward)

George Slender (Steward)

James Dreyer (Steward)

