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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 September 13, 2011 through September 18, 2011.

TUESDAY

09/13/2011

(1) **DUTY STEWARD**

James Dreyer will preside over morning duties and will compile the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The first race in the book for Friday, maiden two year olds for a claiming price of \$5,000, was used open having attracted only four CAL-BREDS. The sub 3 for Friday, maiden fillies and mares, was called off with two (1 CAL-BRED).

(3) **THE DRAW**

The PCQHRA Derby Trials made up four of the nine Quarter Horse races with one Thoroughbred race making up the tenth race for the evening.

WEDNESDAY

09/14/2011

(1) **SCRATCHES**

Scratch time resulted in one rider change and two declarations.

(2) **CAL-BRED REPORT**

Saturday's sixth race, three and four year olds for a \$2,500 tag, was called off with three (2 CAL-BREDS). The sub 3 in the book for Saturday, maidens three and up for a claiming price of \$5,000, was called off with three (0 CAL-BREDS).

(3) **THE DRAW**

One Thoroughbred and nine Quarter Horse races will make up Saturday evening's program. Highlighting the card will be the \$150,000 Mildred N Vessels Handicap.

THURSDAY

09/15/2011

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was problem-free with no changes or declarations on Saturday's program.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The second race in the book for Sunday, maiden two year olds for a \$12,500 tag, was called off with one (0 CAL-BREDS). The sub 6 in the book, fillies and mares for a claiming price of \$8,000, was called off with one (1 CAL-BRED).

(3) THE DRAW

Two Thoroughbred and eight Quarter Horse races will comprise Sunday's race card.

FRIDAY

09/16/2011

(1) SCRATCHES

One equipment and one rider change completed Sunday's program adjustments.

(2) CERVANTES RULING (CASE# 11LA0286)RULING #184

VETERINARIAN CARLOS CERVANTES, D.V.M. IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1842 (VETERINARIAN REPORT - INCORRECT CONFIDENTIAL FILED).

The foregoing ruling was issued following an informal hearing during which Dr. Cervantes explained it is common practice to fill out his confidential prior to doing the work. He had put down the Bute, and when he treated the horse Banamine was requested and he simply forgot to adjust his confidential.

(3) PEREZ RULINGRULING #185

TRAINER SANTOS PEREZ IS FINED FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATIONS) IN THE FIRST RACE - TWO HORSES ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011.

The above ruling was issued after trainer Perez accepted full responsibility for the two late declarations. There could possibly be more to follow concerning this situation.

(4) HERNANDEZ RULINGRULING #186

TRAINER LISSETTE HERNANDEZ IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION) ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011.

The foregoing ruling was issued after trainer Hernandez accepted responsibility for the late declaration. She explained it was a misunderstanding with the groom attending the horse.

(5) FILMS

Ramon Sanchez was in to review the third race Sunday evening in which his mount was disqualified. After going over the race with him he convinced us a reasonable effort was made by him and no days would be imposed.

(6) FIRST RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

Following the first race the Inquiry was posted to examine an incident shortly after the start. #9 "Hedonistic Ways" (5th – J. Vizcarra) started to drift in approximately fifty yards away from the gate causing #8 "Geraldine Young" (8th – J. Cruz) to take up eliminating her from any

opportunity she may have had at a better placing. After speaking with the riders involved and reviewing the films the Stewards in a unanimous vote disqualified "Hedonistic Ways."

Original Order of Finish: 2 – 6 – 4 – 7 – (9) – 1 – 5 – 8
 Official Order of Finish: 2 – 6 – 4 – 7 – 1 – 5 – 8 – (9)

(7) SECOND RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry was hung following the second race to review an incident mid-stretch. #10 "Painted Ocean" (3rd – C. De Alba) drifted in bumping into #8 "A Regal Rondivoo" (5th – R. Guce) knocking her into the path of #7 "Corona Purce" (9th – C. Huerta) causing her to take up sharply. After speaking to the involved riders and a thorough review of the films the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify "Painted Ocean."

Original Order of Finish: 3 – 2 – (10) – 5 – 8 – 6 – 1 – 9 – 7 – 4
 Official Order of Finish: 3 – 2 – 5 – 8 – 6 – 1 – 9 – 7 – (10) – 4

8) TENTH RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry was posted following the tenth race to examine another incident. # 8 "Silver Bullet SR" (2nd – L. Gonzalez) under an excessive right handed whip drifted to the middle of the track causing #7 "The King Coliman" (7th – A. Bautista) to be taken up by Bautista to avoid heels therefore nullifying any opportunity he may have had at a better placing. After getting the input from the riders involved and reviewing the films the Stewards in another unanimous vote elected to disqualify "Silver Bullet SR" and place him behind "The King Coliman."

Original Order of Finish: 2 – (8) – 5 – 6 – 9 – 3 – 7 – 4 – 1
 Official Order of Finish: 2 – 5 – 6 – 9 – 3 – 7 – (8) – 4 – 1

(9) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race - # 3 Chesky (Tr. J. Romo, Jr.) flipped in gate, Dr. Hackathorn.
 Refund: \$3,769.00.
 7th Race - # 6 Diligents (Tr. A. Farias) colic, Dr. Hackathorn.
 Refund: \$207.00.

(10) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,046	On Track Handle:	\$160,193.60
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,130</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$363,265.60
Total:	3,176	Out of State:	<u>\$819,721.46</u>
		Total:	\$1,343,180.66

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$443,218

SATURDAY
 09/17/2011

(1) RULINGS #187 - #188

RULING #187

OWNER CEASAR J. LOPEZ, HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2011, TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE #11LA0267, 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 CEASAR J. LOPEZ 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.

RULING #188

OWNER ENRIQUE HERNANDEZ, HAVING FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEWARDS AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2011, TO ANSWER A COMPLAINT REGARDING CASE #11LA0266, 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 ENRIQUE HERNANDEZ 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 rulings were issued after both parties named in the foregoing rulings failed to appear to answer alleged charges of violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1876.

(2) VIZCARRA RULING (REFER 9/17/11 (6))

RULING #189

JOCKEY JOSE VIZCARRA, WHO RODE "HEDONISTIC WAYS" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (SEPTEMBER 24TH, 25TH, AND 30TH, 2011) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE SHORTLY AFTER THE START CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIFTH TO EIGHTH 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.

The foregoing ruling was issued after jockey Vizcarra reviewed Friday's first race and agreed he made very little effort to maintain a straight course.

(3) GONZALEZ RULING (REFER 9/17/11 (8))

RULING #190

JOCKEY LEONARDO R. GONZALEZ, WHO RODE "SILVER BULLET SR" IN THE TENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (SEPTEMBER 24TH, 25TH, AND 30TH, 2011) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM SECOND TO SEVENTH 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.

The above ruling was issued after jockey Leonardo Gonzalez met with the Stewards concerning Friday's tenth race in which his mount was disqualified. He was very apologetic while accepting full responsibility for the incident.

(4) FILMS (REFER 9/17/11 (7))

At the Stewards' request jockey Cesar De Alba was in to review his disqualification in Friday's second race. After a close examination of the race the Stewards felt that an adequate effort was made by De Alba and days were not an option.

(5) ROMO SR. HEARING (CASE# 11LA0249)

An informal hearing was conducted this afternoon to address the above referenced case. Present were Juan Romo, Sr., owner Jose De Jesus Carranza, Oscar Gutierrez translating for the owner, Senior Investigator Tom Blake and Stewards Albert Christiansen, George Slender, and James Dreyer. Tom Blake testified that Romo had entered "Get It First" without the owner's permission or knowledge. When he realized the horse would be unable to run he involved veterinarians Beck, Cervantes, Hackathorn and Jenkins by lying to all of them about the horse's condition. He first said the horse had cut his leg and had been shipped to Dr. Cervantes' clinic. When Dr. Cervantes disputed this claim he changed his story and claimed the horse had been shipped back to the owner's ranch. In reality the horse had never left the owner's property. Upon examination Romo admitted to the entire charade. A decision on this will be forthcoming.

(6) NINTH RACE – INQUIRY – DOUBLE DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry was posted following the Mildred N. Vessels Handicap. The first incident involved #3 "Thisfeatureisspecial" (5th – C. Mendez) who throughout the first 200 yards of the race drifted out causing #4 "Dash Beduino" (8th – G. Suarez) to be eliminated from any possibility at a decent placing.

The second incident came from the outside when #9 "Stylish Jess BR" (4th – R. Sanchez) drifted in during the final 150 yards severely compromising #7 "Fredaville," #6 "Willie Swings" and #5 "Chalala." #10 "Azshecanfly" was also on an inward drift but the Stewards felt "Stylish Jess BR" was culpable for the damage created. After speaking with the riders involved and a very lengthy analysis of the film the vote was unanimous to disqualify both horses.

Original Order of Finish: 1 – 2 – 10 – (9) – (3) – 8 – 7 – 4 – 6 – 5

Official Order of Finish: 1 – 2 – 10 – 8 – 7 – 4 – (3) – 6 – 5 – (9)

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race - # 3 Little Bud Bud (Tr. C. Harvey) lost shoe, Stewards.
Refund: \$1,549.00.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,198	On Track Handle:	\$147,683.30
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,263</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$304,166.70
Total:	3,461	Out of State:	<u>\$659,423.89</u>
		Total:	\$1,111,273.89

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$354,566

SUNDAY
09/18/2011

(1) ROMO RULING (REFER 9/17/11 (5))

RULING #191

ASSISTANT TRAINER JUAN ROMO IS SUSPENDED THIRTY (30) DAYS (SEPTEMBER 26, 2011 THROUGH OCTOBER 25, 2011) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1489 (C) (G) (J) (GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE), #1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION) AND #1902 (CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO HORSE RACING).

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

After due consideration the foregoing ruling was issued regarding Case #11LA0249.

(2) MENDEZ RULINGRULING #192

JOCKEY CRUZ MENDEZ, WHO RODE "THISFEATUREISSPECIAL" IN THE NINTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2011, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (SEPTEMBER 25TH, 30TH, AND OCTOBER 1ST, 2011) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIFTH TO EIGHTH 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.

The above ruling was issued after jockey Cruz Mendez was in to address his disqualification in last evening's ninth race. After reviewing the race with him the Stewards felt there was no effort on his part to correct his mount's wayward path, resulting in the ruling.

(3) SANCHEZ RULINGRULING #193

JOCKEY RAMON SANCHEZ, WHO RODE "STYLISH JESS BR" IN THE NINTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2011, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (SEPTEMBER 25TH, 30TH, AND OCTOBER 1ST, 2011) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FOURTH TO TENTH 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.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Ramon Sanchez met with the Stewards and was unable to convince us he had made a reasonable effort to keep his mount on a straight course.

(4) ACEVES RULINGRULING #194

JOCKEY RODRIGO ACEVES, WHO RODE "AZSHECANFLY" IN THE NINTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2011, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (SEPTEMBER 25TH, 30TH, AND OCTOBER 1ST, 2011) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE. 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.

The foregoing ruling was issued after jockey Rodrigo Aceves met with the Stewards concerning his disqualification in the ninth race last evening. His mount was coming in and Rodrigo's effort was far less than adequate.

(5) MORENO AND COLOSI HEARINGS (CASE# 11DM0038 & #11DM0039)

A formal hearing was held this afternoon to address the above referenced cases. Present were respondents Kevin Colosi and Robert Moreno, Supervising Senior Investigator Bill Westerman, Court Reporter Michelle Derieg, and Stewards Albert Christiansen, George

Slender and James Dreyer. In as much as these cases are so closely intertwined they were conducted simultaneously. Both parties testified that the photo for win was extremely close and both the Stewards and the Placing Judges were concentrating on the win. When it came to the fourth place horse neither the Stewards nor the Placing Judges asked for a photo for fourth place, all assuming it was not close. After this incident new procedures have been implemented in which two Stewards and all the Placing Judges examine the order of finish regardless of the margins between the horses. Two items were introduced for the record; one for the prosecution and one for the respondents. The Stewards felt that a mitigating factor was a total of 50 accumulative years in the placing stand for the two individuals with no reportable incident. Thirty years for Bob Moreno and twenty for Kevin Colosi. A decision will be forthcoming.

(6) FIFTH RACE – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

The Inquiry was posted following the fifth race to review the stretch run. #7 “Ford Island” (1st – C. Mendez) dropped in at approximately the 1/16 pole appearing to interfere with #1 “Run Over You” (2nd – C. Charlton). After a closer examination of the stretch run “Ford Island” was clear of “Run Over You” when he dropped in and no change in the order of finish was warranted.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

3rd Race - # 4 Afleet Sara (Tr. P. Aguirre) did not receive lasix, Dr. Durenberger.

Refund: \$713.00.

5th Race - # 6 Warrens Yodler (Tr. C. Lopez) sick, Dr. Durenberger.

Refund: \$424.00.

6th Race - # 8 Louie Prima (Tr. J. Flores) injured, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$191.00.

7th Race - # 7 Kloi (Tr. G. Amezcua) received clenbuterol in error, Dr. Durenberger.

Refund: \$573.00.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance: 828

Off Track Attendance: 1,971

Total: 2,977

On Track Handle: \$133,540.20

Off Track Handle: \$363,394.80

Out of State: \$674,498.07

Total: \$1,171,433.07

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$386,923

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>
9/16/2011	1	3	Chesky	J. Romo, Jr.	Flipped in gate	Hackathorn	\$3,769
	7	6	Diligents	A. Farias	Colic	Hackathorn	\$207
9/18/2011	3	4	Afleet Sara	P. Aguirre	Did not receive lasix	Durenberger	\$713
	5	6	Warrens Yodler	C. Lopez	Sick	Durenberger	\$424
	6	8	Louie Prima	J. Flores	Injured	Hackathorn	\$191
	7	7	Kloi	G. Amezcua	Received clenbuterol in error	Durenberger	\$573

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on September 18, 2011.

No equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries.

During this reporting period eighteen horses were added to the Veterinarian's

List as follows: two for soundness, two for injury, two for sickness, ten for medication,

one for bleeding, none for shock wave therapy, and one for coggins.

Thirteen horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and

removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

SUMMARY

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 09/16	SAT 09/17	SUN 09/18	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	31
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	36
CLAIMS			R		0	2	0	2	524
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	3	2	0	5	54
INQUIRIES	D				3	1	1	5	105
REFUNDS		A			2	1	4	7	323
RULINGS			Y		3	4	4	11	194

Stewards' Attendance: James Dreyer, Albert Christiansen, George Slender and Randy Winick were in daily attendance during this reporting period.

James Dreyer (Steward)

Albert Christiansen (Steward)

George Slender (Steward)

Randy Winick (Safety Steward)