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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 December 14, 2010 through December 19, 2010.

**TUESDAY**

12/14/2010

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Randy Winick will attend to the morning office matters and record the minutes of this period.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

A ten race program for Friday evening was drawn at 12:15 p.m., composed of five Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races.

**WEDNESDAY**

12/15/2010

(1) SCRATCHES

Requests for scratches and changes were taken at 9:00 a.m., resulting in two declarations and two rider adjustments.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Entries for Saturday were conducted at 12:15 p.m. and the resulting ten race card will be comprised of seven Quarter Horse and three Thoroughbred contests, with the \$200,000 "Southern California Derby" highlighting the evening.

**THURSDAY**

12/16/2010

(1) SCRATCHES

The 9:00 a.m. scratch time resulted in two rider changes and one declaration.

(2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Entries for Sunday were drawn at 1:00 p.m. and the resulting card will be made up of six Quarter Horse and four Thoroughbred events.

**FRIDAY**

12/17/2010

(1) SCRATCHES

The 9:00 a.m. scratch time resulted in one declaration and three rider changes.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The second and third races in the book scheduled for California-breds were both called off with five and three entries respectively.

(3) RODRIGUEZ RULINGRULING #164

TRAINER YANET RODRIGUEZ, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "MB SUN SHINE" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON OCTOBER 1, 2010, HAVING ENTERED INTO A STIPULATED AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD, IS FINED THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000)\* AND SUSPENDED FOR THIRTY (30) DAYS (JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JANUARY 30, 2011) PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A) (D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES - CLENBUTEROL - CLASS III) AND #1844 (E) (9) & (F) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION).

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THE STIPULATED AGREEMENT, FIFTEEN (15) DAYS OF THE SUSPENSION ARE STAYED PENDING THE PASSAGE OF ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF THIS AGREEMENT, DURING WHICH TIME THE SUBJECT IS PLACED ON PROBATION AND SHALL NOT HAVE ANY VIOLATIONS FOR CLASS I, II, OR III SUBSTANCES. ACTUAL DAYS SUSPENSION SERVED WILL BE JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JANUARY 15, 2011.

The above ruling was issued to reflect a stipulated agreement entered into with the California Horse Racing Board and trainer Yanet Rodriguez for a positive test finding on October 1, 2010 at Los Alamitos Race Course of the horse "MB Sun Shine" for Clenbuterol.

(4) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Cruz Mendez appeared to review film from a Sunday night disqualification in the second race involving his mount breaking sharply inward interfering with the horse to his inside. The film review revealed that although the disqualification was warranted the Stewards believe Mr. Cruz did the best job he could in straightening the wayward horse.

Jockey Eulices Gomez reviewed a Thoroughbred race where his mount was lugging out coming out of the gate and chute of a four and one half furlong race. The Stewards did not think Mr. Gomez's mount did much damage but thought Eulices Gomez could have grabbed him a little quicker. A warning was given and a promise was made by Eulices that he would do a better job in the future.

Jockey Francisco Rubio also had a problem coming out of the starting gate in the 300 yard Quarter Horse second race, where his horse quickly dove to his left, making contact with the horse to his inside. After several replays of the video, it was apparent Francisco did as good a job reacting to prevent this as he could, therefore no sanction was given.

(5) MENDEZ RULINGRULING #165

JOCKEY SANTIAGO MENDEZ IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688 (B-1) (USE OF WHIPS - WHIPPING IN POST PARADE) ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2010.

Jockey Santiago Mendez was issued the above ruling for striking his mount with his whip in the post parade. Mr. Mendez said his horse was laying on the pony. The Stewards told him this was unacceptable and against the rules.

(6) FIRST RACE – OBJECTION – NO CHANGE

Jockey Gerardo Martin lodged an objection following the running of the first race (Thoroughbred – 4½ furlongs) involving his horse #2 "Bridge Too Far" (4<sup>th</sup>) being bumped out of the gate by #3 who was bumped by #4. After talking to the riders involved and reviewing the taped replays, the Stewards made no change to the original order of finish due to the fact that it did not cost #2 the margin he was beaten for the next placing.

## (7) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 1 For Contrast (Tr. L. Bradvica) Jockey Dihigi Gladney replaced jockey Mario Olivarez (death in family).  
# 9 Sock It To 'Em (Tr. J. Coleman) veterinarian – injured in gate, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$17,182.00.

2<sup>nd</sup> Race - # 7 Corona To Toast (Tr. J. Gomez) Stewards – entered back.  
Refund: \$325.00.

3<sup>rd</sup> Race - # 2 Tribul Witch claimed, Tr. D. Francisco.  
# 3 Sipnzin claimed, Tr. K. Craigmyle.

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 4 Spanish First (Tr. J. Flores) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$230.00.

5<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Carat For C.C. claimed, Tr. J. Hanson.

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 2 Zing Zing (Tr. U. De La Torre) pulled up lame at quarter pole – ambulance removed.

7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 9 Sheer Magic (Tr. J. Romo, Jr.) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$725.00.

9<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Mamas Justice (Tr. J. Flores) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$79.00.  
# 9 Toll Check (Tr. R. Orozco) pulled up lame post race, ambulance removed.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

|                       |              |                   |                     |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| On Track Attendance:  | 823          | On Track Handle:  | \$116,864.10        |
| Off Track Attendance: | <u>2,025</u> | Off Track Handle: | \$289,727.20        |
| Total:                | 2,848        | Out of State:     | <u>\$869,373.32</u> |
|                       |              | Total:            | \$1,275,964.62      |

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$432,850

## SATURDAY

12/18/2010 (1) CAL-BRED REPORT

Three races were offered in the condition book for Saturday for California-breds, two of which were called off that failed to fill. The other is the ninth race on tonight's program, the "Southern California Derby" (Grade I) for \$202,500, which attracted a field of nine that are scheduled to face the starter.

(2) VALENZUELA RULING (REFER 12/12/10 (5))

## RULING #166

JOCKEY JESUS VALENZUELA, WHO RODE "LASORPRESADE R V" IN THE SIXTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2010, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (JANUARY 1ST, 2ND AND 7TH, 2011) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM THIRD TO FOURTH. 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 a telephonic conversation with jockey Jesus Valenzuela regarding a race in which he was disqualified on Sunday, December 12, 2010, from third to fourth place, for interference approximately fifty yards from the starting gate. Mr. Valenzuela offered no reasonable excuse for his mount ducking inward and bumping the horse to his inside, knocking him off balance. He said he would do a better job in the future and took full responsibility for his lapse in reacting.

(3) BIRCH RULING (CASE #10LA0250)

## RULING #167

OWNER THOMAS BIRCH, HAVING FAILED TO MAKE A PAYMENT ON DECEMBER 15, 2010, AS AGREED UPON IN A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT SIGNED ON NOVEMBER 27, 2010, IS SUSPENDED FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1876 (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY).

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

The above ruling was issued due to Mr. Birch failing to abide by the terms of a financial agreement with trainer Tom Bazley.

(4) RUSSELL RULING

RULING #168

JOCKEY CHRIS RUSSELL IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1680 (JOCKEYS AND DRIVERS TO REPORT) ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2010.

The above ruling was issued to jockey Chris Russell for being late to report Friday night and forgetting to call in to the Stewards to say that he was stuck in traffic.

(5) JOCKEY MEETING – TRACK CONDITION

Shortly before the first race the Stewards were apprised from the Jockey's Quarters that several of the riders were concerned about the condition of the track and whether it was safe after two days of heavy rain. After a lively debate between the jockeys, track management, which included Owner Dr. Allred and Director of Racing Ron Church, trainer Paul Jones, who was interpreting and the Stewards, it was decided to go ahead with the first race and monitor the situation as the evening progressed.

(6) FOURTH RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign immediately after the finish of the fourth race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) to review an incident approximately 100 yards down track from the start involving #3 "Flyingwith eagles" (1<sup>st</sup> – R. Aceves) drifting outward under left-handed whipping and taking the path of #4 "Seperate Hawk" (5<sup>th</sup> – J. Andrade) while making slight contact. After talking to both riders involved and reviewing the taped replays several times, the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify #3 from first and place him fifth for interference, costing #4 the opportunity at a better placing.

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

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

(7) RACING WILL CONTINUE

After the first four races were completed without incident or further complaint from the Jockey's Room, racing went on for the remainder of the program.

(8) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

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|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Race - | # 4 <u>Noahs Rocket</u> claimed, Tr. M. Loza.                                                                        |
|                        | # 7 <u>Bono Bay</u> (Tr. D. Francisco) jockey G. R. Carter replaced jockey Alex Bautista (traffic).                  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Race - | # 1 <u>Corona With Lime</u> claimed, Tr. H. Sanchez.                                                                 |
|                        | # 3 <u>Streakin La Tori</u> (Tr. J. Flores) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.<br>Refund: \$287.00.                |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Race - | # 7 <u>Thisaintnofairytale</u> (Tr. C. O'Dell) jockey G. R. Carter replaced jockey Zacharie Kelsey (transportation). |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Race - | # 1 <u>Ican'tremember</u> claimed, Tr. C. Treece.                                                                    |
|                        | # 6 <u>Leathermade</u> (Tr. J. Hanson) pulled up sore after wire, ambulance removed.                                 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Race - | # 4 <u>Skyattic</u> claimed, Tr. E. Berman.                                                                          |

# 5 Alpine Sport (Tr. C. Robertson) Stewards – jockey Chris Russell sick, no replacement available.  
Refund: \$2,206.00

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

|                       |              |                   |                     |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| On Track Attendance:  | 1,126        | On Track Handle:  | \$134,696.80        |
| Off Track Attendance: | <u>2,103</u> | Off Track Handle: | \$261,865.80        |
| Total:                | 3,229        | Out of State:     | <u>\$760,666.70</u> |
|                       |              | Total:            | \$1,157,229.30      |

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$433,534

**SUNDAY**

12/19/2010 (1) CAL-BRED REPORT

All three races restricted to California-breds failed to fill for Sunday and were called off.

(2) RACING CANCELLED

After three straight days of heavy rain, it was decided to cancel tonight's program due to safety concerns.

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> |
|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------|---------------|
| 12/17/2010  | 1           | 9         | Sock It To 'Em   | J. Coleman     | Injured in gate | Hackathorn | \$17,182      |
|             | 1           | 10        | Smoke Cat        | M. Pender      | Unsound         | Beck       | \$325         |
|             | 4           | 4         | Spanish First    | J. Flores      | Injured         | Hackathorn | \$230         |
|             | 7           | 9         | Sheer Magic      | J. Romo, Jr.   | Injured         | Beck       | \$725         |
|             | 9           | 6         | Mamas Justice    | J. Flores      | Sick            | Hackathorn | \$79          |
| 12/18/2010  | 2           | 3         | Streakin La Tori | J. Flores      | Sick            | Hackathorn | \$287         |

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on December 19, 2010.

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

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

List as follows: two for soundness, four for injury,

four for sickness, one for medication,

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

Twelve 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 | FRI<br>12/17 | SAT<br>12/18 | SUN<br>12/19 | WEEK<br>TOTAL | MEET<br>TOTAL |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| ACCIDENTS         | D   |     |     | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0             | 37            |
| CAL-BRED RACES    |     | A   |     | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0             | 21            |
| CLAIMS            |     |     | R   | 4            | 4            | 0            | 8             | 652           |
| DISQUALIFICATIONS |     | K   |     | 0            | 1            | 0            | 1             | 55            |
| INQUIRIES         | D   |     |     | 1            | 1            | 0            | 2             | 109           |
| REFUNDS           |     | A   |     | 6            | 2            | 0            | 8             | 416           |
| RULINGS           |     |     | Y   | 2            | 3            | 0            | 5             | 168           |

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

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Randy Winick (Steward)

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Albert Christiansen (Steward)

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James Dreyer (Steward)