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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 16, 2010 through November 21, 2010.

**TUESDAY**

11/16/2010

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will cover morning duties and shall record the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book for Friday, the Callie Can Overnight Handicap, failed to attract a single entry.

The second race in the book for Friday, maiden two year olds for a claiming price of \$4,000, was called off also with no entries.

(3) THE DRAW

Ten races were drawn for Friday's program. Five Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races complete the card.

**WEDNESDAY**

11/17/2010

(1) SCRATCHES

Two rider changes and a blinkers off completed scratch time at 9:00 a.m.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

No CAL-BRED races were offered Saturday evening due to the Los Alamitos Two Million Futurity Trials.

(3) THE DRAW

Twelve divisions for the Los Alamitos Two Million Futurity Trials were drawn for Saturday's program.

## THURSDAY

11/18/2010

### (1) SCRATCHES

Two rider changes and a first time flipping halter completed Saturday's program changes.

### (2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book for Sunday, maiden two year olds for a \$10,000 tag, was used open with three CAL-BREDS.

The third race in the book for Sunday, maiden fillies two years old, was called off with three entries (one CAL-BRED).

### (3) THE DRAW

Two Thoroughbred and eight Quarter Horse races will comprise Sunday evening's program.

## FRIDAY

11/19/2010

### (1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was conducted at 9:00 a.m. resulting in one scratch and one equipment change.

### (2) FLORES RULING

#### RULING #139

JOCKEY ESWAN FLORES, WHO RODE "CATCH CHAMP" IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2010, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (NOVEMBER 26TH, 27TH AND 28TH, 2010) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE. 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 meeting with Jockey Flores to discuss his ride in the fourth race Sunday evening. Flores admitted the films show little effort on his part, prompting the suspension.

### (3) NAVARRO HEARING

Trainer Eloy Navarro and Owner Roberto Gaytan were in to address the continuing saga of the unregistered equine. Senior Investigator Tom Blake was also in attendance. It appears there is finally some headway being made as Eloy showed up with the breeder's certificate in hand, which was the initial snag to getting the horse registered. He has agreed to accept responsibility for all expenses involved with getting the horse registered with the A.Q.H.A. Time will tell.

### (4) MELENDEZ RULING

#### RULING #140

JOCKEY SANTIAGO MENDEZ, WHO RODE "DOCTOR COCKTAIL" IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2010, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (NOVEMBER 26TH, 27TH AND 28TH, 2010) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE SHORTLY AFTER THE START CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM SEVENTH TO EIGHTH PLACE. 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 meeting with Santiago Mendez and his agent Frank Quesada to review his ride in the fourth race Sunday in which his mount was disqualified. The films tended to uphold his contention that his mount had a very light mouth however the damage had been done when he finally took hold of his mount.

(5) SECOND RACE – INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry was posted following the second race to examine the stretch run. #1 "Deserts Top Trick" (Cruz – 1<sup>st</sup>) was drifting out throughout the stretch run packing #7 "Slokkie" (Sandoval – 2<sup>nd</sup>) to the middle of the track. The margin between #1 and #7 was a nose. After speaking with the riders involved and reviewing the films the vote was unanimous to disqualify "Deserts Top Trick" from first and place him second.

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

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

(6) LIGHTS OUT

At approximately eight minutes to post for the fifth race the track was hit with a power outage caused by a transformer explosion in the city of Los Alamitos. The electricity was back on within a matter of seconds, however, it took nearly seventeen minutes to restore the track lighting to full strength. The horses were on the track when the incident occurred and for safety reasons returned to the Paddock until the problem was resolved. The remainder of the evening proceeded without incident.

(7) LATE DECLARATIONS

4<sup>th</sup> Race - # 4 Gotmymojoworkin (Tr. C. Harvey) unsound, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$6,018.00.

6<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Technician (Tr. C. Treece) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.  
Refund: \$1,789.00.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,160	On Track Handle:	\$201,789.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,005</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$591,650.90
Total:	4,165	Out of State:	<u>\$821,136.60</u>
		Total:	\$1,614,576.70

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$377,114

**SATURDAY**

11/20/2010

(1) MELTON RULING (CASE #10LA0242)

RULING #141

TRAINER LIN MELTON, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "QUEENLY WALK" IN THE SECOND RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SEPTEMBER 11, 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 (NOVEMBER 27, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 26, 2010) 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 - ALBUTEROL - CLASS III) AND #1844 (E) (4) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION).

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THE STIPULATED AGREEMENT, TWENTY (20) 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 NOVEMBER 27, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 6, 2010.

The foregoing ruling was issued following Trainer Linden Melton reaching a stipulated agreement with the California Horse Racing Board.

(2) PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

RULING #142

ACTING UPON A REPORT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA DAVIS, AN OFFICIAL TESTING LABORATORY OF THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD AND HAVING BEEN CONFIRMED BY TRUESDAIL LABORATORIES, THAT URINE SAMPLE# LA16066, TAKEN FROM THE HORSE "QUEENLY WALK", THE SECOND PLACE FINISHER IN THE SECOND RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2010, TESTED POSITIVE FOR ALBUTEROL (CLASS III) AN AUTHORIZED DRUG SUBSTANCE ABOVE THE SPECIFIED LEVEL. IT IS ORDERED THAT "QUEENLY WALK" BE DISQUALIFIED FROM ALL PURSE MONIES EARNED IN SAID RACE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1859.5 (DISQUALIFICATION UPON POSITIVE TEST).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT ALL PURSE (\$900.00) EARNED BY OWNERS SPACKMAN RACING AND DENNY BOER, TRAINER LIN MELTON AND JOCKEY RODRIGO ACEVES BE RETURNED TO THE PAYMASTER OF PURSES AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE FOR REDISTRIBUTION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1760 (PURSE AWARD OR PRIZE TO BE WITHHELD)

REVISED ORDER OF FINISH IS AS FOLLOWS:

2ND THE PALM  
3RD RUNAWAY DIMPLES  
4TH MOVE OVER RED ROVER  
5TH UNA NOCHE MAS

ALL RECORDS ARE ORDERED TO REFLECT THIS RULING IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1956 (RACE DECLARED OFFICIAL), THIS RULING SHALL NOT AFFECT THE PARI-MUTUEL PAYOFFS.

The above ruling was issued after test sample #LA16066 from UC Davis Laboratories showed the presence of Albuterol, a class III drug. This is a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1859.5.

(3) CRUZ RULING

RULING #143

JOCKEY JOEL CRUZ, WHO RODE "DESERTS TOP TRICK" IN THE SECOND RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2010, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (NOVEMBER 27TH, 28TH AND DECEMBER 3RD, 2010) FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE IN THE STRETCH CAUSING INTERFERENCE RESULTING IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIRST TO SECOND PLACE. 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.

After reviewing the second race with Jockey Cruz, the Stewards issued the above ruling. The films clearly show Cruz continue to ride while packing "Slokkie" to the middle of the racetrack and making no effort to correct the situation.

(4) NICASIO RULING

RULING #144

JOCKEY EDUARDO NICASIO IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1680 (JOCKEYS AND DRIVERS TO REPORT) ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2010.

The foregoing ruling was issued when Jockey Nicasio failed to call the Stewards to request permission to be late and arrived thirty minutes before his first scheduled mount in the third race. His only argument was that his cell phone was dead.

(5) CASE #10LA0257

A formal hearing was held this afternoon to address the above referenced case. Present today were Dr. Brian Saathoff, Dr. Gary Beck, Senior Investigator Tom Blake, defendant Dominic Fama and Court Reporter Lynn Medina. Five exhibits were entered into evidence during the proceedings, three by Investigator Blake and two by Fama. Dr. Beck testified that although Rule #1845 states form 194 must be submitted prior to entry, in actual practice they have allowed the horse to run as long as the form was turned in in a timely manner. Dr. Saathoff testified that this created a procedural problem and needed to be addressed. He also testified that the first he heard of a problem with the paperwork on "Milano Connection" was October 19. He promptly submitted the form at that time. Dominic Fama testified that he has dealt with Dr. Saathoff for several years and has had no problem in the past. Fama did argue that he had told the Dr. prior to entry to submit the paperwork and implied that it was the Dr.'s fault and not his that it was not done. After all testimony was heard the hearing was adjourned and trainer Fama was informed that a decision would be forthcoming.

(6) NO PROBLEMS

Mother Nature treated us fairly this evening allowing us to run all twelve Futurity Trials with no additional rain.

(7) LATE DECLARATION

11<sup>th</sup> Race - # 5 Mr Piloto (Tr. F. Quintero) colic, Dr. Beck.  
Refund: \$1,007.00.

(8) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,239	On Track Handle:	\$206,743.50
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,541</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$430,767.50
Total:	3,780	Out of State:	<u>\$868,185.54</u>
		Total:	\$1,505,696.54

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$452,270

**SUNDAY**

11/21/2010 (1) FAMA HEARING (REFER 11/20/10 (5))

RULING #145

TRAINER DOMINIC FAMA IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1845 (A) (AUTHORIZED BLEEDER MEDICATION - HORSE NOT REGISTERED AT TIME OF ENTRY) ON OCTOBER 13, 2010.

After due deliberation in the above referenced case the foregoing ruling was issued.

(2) ANDRADE RULING

RULING #146

JOCKEY JUAN ANDRADE, HAVING RIDDEN AT LOS ALAMITOS ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2010, A SUSPENSION DAY PER RULING #130 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON NOVEMBER 7, 2010, IS SUSPENDED AN ADDITIONAL DAY, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2010 PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (H) (EQUIVALENT SUSPENSION DAY).

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

The above ruling was issued after jockey Juan Andrade competed in more than one trial for the Los Alamitos Two Million Futurity, a designated race.

(3) CLEAR SAILING

Sunday evening produced another problem-free race program.

(4) LATE DECLARATIONS

1<sup>st</sup> Race - # 8 Hooters And Beer (Tr. D. Frey) sick, Dr. Hackathorn.

Refund: \$768.00.  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race - # 6 Ruths Chris (Tr. M. Casselman) rider refused to ride, Stewards.  
 Refund: \$6,892.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	821	On Track Handle:	\$153,569.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,931</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$455,267.80
Total:	2,752	Out of State:	<u>\$723,469.10</u>
		Total:	\$1,332,306.10

Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) Handle: \$395,887

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>
11/19/2010	4	4	Gotmymojojoworkin	C. Harvey	Unsound	Hackathorn	\$6,018
	6	5	Technician	C. Treece	Sick	Hackathorn	\$1,789
11/20/2010	11	5	Mr Piloto	F. Quintero	Colic	Beck	\$1,007
11/21/2010	1	8	Hooters And Beer	D. Frey	Sick	Hackathorn	\$768

**TRACK SAFETY REPORT**

The weekly inspection was conducted on November 21, 2010.

Four 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: four for soundness, six for injury,

three for sickness, one for medication,

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

Thirty-two 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	FRI 11/19	SAT 11/20	SUN 11/21	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			1	1	0	2	33
CAL-BRED RACES		A		0	0	0	0	21
CLAIMS			R	9	0	3	12	589
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		1	0	0	1	49
INQUIRIES	D			1	0	0	1	99
REFUNDS		A		2	1	2	5	385
RULINGS			Y	2	4	2	8	146

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

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James Dreyer (Steward)

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Randy Winick (Steward)

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Albert Christiansen (Steward)