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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 10, 2009 through November 15, 2009.

TUESDAY

11/10/2009

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Kim Sawyer was available for the morning duties and has recorded the minutes for this reporting period.

(2) THE DRAW

Nine races were drawn at 12:15 p.m. for Friday's program consisting of seven Quarter Horse and two Thoroughbred races.

WEDNESDAY

11/11/2009

(1) SCRATCHES

Friday scratches were conducted at 9:00 a.m. with one declaration and one rider change.

(2) THE DRAW

The draw for Saturday was concluded at 12:00 p.m. Six Quarter Horse and three Thoroughbred races completed the card.

THURSDAY

11/12/2009

(1) SCRATCHES

A 9:00 a.m. scratch time was finalized with two declarations and one equipment notation.

(2) THE DRAW

The draw was conducted at 11:45 a.m. and the card was a combination of seven Quarter Horse and two Thoroughbred races.

(3) NO LIVE RACING

All live racing venues in California chose not to race this Thursday. Out of state wagers were still handled.

FRIDAY

11/13/2009 (1) **SCRATCHES**

Scratch time was finalized at 9:00 a.m. with three jockey changes and two equipment additions.

(2) **HEAP FORMAL HEARING (CASE# 09LA0220)**

The respondent trainer/owner/outrider Blake Heap appeared for the scheduled hearing filed by the California Horse Racing Board, alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1890 (Possession of Contraband). Gabrielle H. Brumbach from the Deputy Attorney General's office presented the complaint filed by the California Horse Racing Board. Also in attendance was Senior Investigator Tom Blake and Supervisor Investigator Ken Lady as witnesses for the prosecution. Darrell J. Vienna, Esq. represented Mr. Heap. The hearing was recorded by Court Reporter Barbara Weinstein.

The alleged violation involved Mr. Heap transporting a horse onto the Los Alamitos Stable Area, wherein Investigator Tom Blake searched his vehicle and horse trailer. At this time a brown plastic vial and a baggie of marijuana were discovered. Mr. Heap produced a medical marijuana patient verification card to be eligible to acquire the drug for medicinal purposes.

After sworn testimony was taken and supporting documentation was placed in the record, the matter was submitted for decision.

(3) **FIL M REVIEW**

Jockey Rodrigo Aceves joined the Stewards as requested to review the eighth race on Sunday. A disqualification of his mount was involved (refer 11/08/09 (4)), but after analyzing the video tapes with Mr. Aceves, it was agreed his effort to correct exonerated him from a penalty.

(4) **SIXTH RACE – INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION**

Following the running of the race (Quarter Horse – 300 yards) the Inquiry sign was posted to review an incident which occurred soon after the start. Involved were #7 “Baby Vallarta” (7th – J. Briano) and #8 “RGR Easy Chick” (8th – F. Rubio). The films verified that #7 veers out, bumping #8. Soon thereafter, #7 repeats the same action with more force, completely taking away #8's chance of a better placing. It was a unanimous decision to disqualify #7 and place him last behind #8.

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

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

(5) **EIGHTH RACE – INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION**

Following the running of the race (Quarter Horse – 350 yards) the Inquiry sign was posted to review an incident that occurred mid-race. Involved were #4 “Flying Regal” (5th – C. Huerta) and #3 “Spring Bling” (6th – C. Jensen). After talking with both riders involved it was an agreed decision to disqualify #4 and place him last behind #3. The #4 horse drifted in, forcing the jockey of #3 to take up and clip heels, stopping his forward momentum.

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

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

(6) **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race - # 10 Never Miss You (Tr. S. Willoughby) claimed, Tr. J. Romo, Jr.

2nd Race - # 5 Good Hearted (Tr. R. Dominguez) claimed, Tr. J. Hanson.

8 Stoli N Silk (Tr. Tr. J. Hanson) claimed, Tr. J. Flores.

3rd Race - # 4 Court Ballado (Tr. A. Sherman) claimed, Tr. V. Farris.

5th Race - # 2 Pomanshoss (Tr. S. Sanchez) veterinarian – unsound, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$261.00.

- 6th Race - # 1 Bye Bye Chickadee (Tr. C. O'Dell) claimed, Tr. H. Sanchez.
- # 6 Mighty Tres Sietes trainer correction – R. Dominguez replaced D. Urista (office error).
- 7th Race - # 2 Seraphina (Tr. J. Gomez) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$285.00.
- 9th Race - # 7 FT Special Cartel (Tr. J. Flores) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$448.00.

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,297	On Track Handle:	\$152,677
Off Track Attendance:	<u>3,715</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$467,963
Total:	5,012	Out of State:	<u>\$749,866</u>
		Total:	\$1,370,506

SATURDAY

11/14/2009 (1) THE DRAW

The post positions for Thursday's program were finalized by 11:45 a.m. with a combination of six Quarter Horse and two Thoroughbred races.

(2) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Dionicio Navarro met with the Stewards to discuss his claim of foul on the previous Sunday. He agreed after reviewing the films that his brush with his rival was minor. The Stewards' main concern was that when his mount began to tire after the brush, he failed to keep him straight, causing a squeeze to two horses to his outside. He stated he would be more aware of preventing this movement in the future.

Apprentice jockey Juan Briano (refer 11/13/09 (4)) along with journeyman Carlos Huerta (refer 11/13/09(5)) were both summoned to review films with the Stewards. Both were involved with riding infractions but were absolved of any penalty due to their efforts to correct their mount's drifts.

(3) EIGHTH RACE – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

Following the running of this race (Quarter Horse – 400 yards) the Inquiry sign was lit to review a possible infraction. Involved were #2 "Separate Lives" (1st – C. De Alba) and #3 "Sparky E Boy" (2nd – Z. S. Kelsey). At the start, #3 broke outward bumping #5 "El Jabonero" (8th – F. Rubio), altering his own chance of a clean break. Fifty yards into the race, the winner #2 drifted outward, creating a shift to his outside. After conferring with both jockeys involved, it was the opinion of the Stewards that although marginal, there was sufficient clearance when this occurred. The original order of finish was made official.

(4) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race - # 7 Warren's Turn (Tr. S. Martinez) veterinarian – unsound, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$1,042.00.
- 5th Race - # 3 No Caps No Floors (Tr. M. Machowsky) claimed, Tr. C. Treece.
- 7th Race - # 7 SFR No Comment (Tr. L. Hernandez) veterinarian – injured, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$214.00.
- 9th Race - # 2 Tag A Flyin (Tr. J. Flores) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Hackathorn.
Refund: \$331.00.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,077	On Track Handle:	\$127,962
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,621</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$209,657
Total:	3,698	Out of State:	<u>\$632,379</u>
		Total:	\$969,998

SUNDAY

11/15/2009 (1) FLORES RULING

RULING #215

TRAINER JOSE FLORES IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE # 1629 (PENALTY FOR LATE DECLARATION-MEDICATION) ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2009.

This ruling was posted after Mr. Flores confirmed his trainee had been improperly medicated necessitating a late declaration.

(2) GOOD RACING

Sunday evening's program performed without notable incident.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

There were three Cal-B races offered this reporting period, all failing to fill.

(4) DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st Race - # 5 Nikki's Latin (Tr. F. Free) jockey Martin Lomeli replaced jockey Dihigi Gladney (sick).
2nd Race - # 6 Better Try Harder (Tr. S. Willoughby) claimed, Tr. H. Hernandez.
3rd Race - # 4 Rincewind (Tr. J. Alcala) claimed, Tr. C. O'Dell.
7 Ding Dong Derek (Tr. S. Fiscal) jockey Martin Lomeli replaced jockey Dihigi Gladney (sick).
4th Race - # 3 Boots And Spirs (Tr. S. Sanchez) claimed, Tr. D. Montes.
6 The New Callejero (Tr. F. Vallejo) veterinarian – sick, Dr. Beck.
Refund: \$821.00.
6th Race - # 1 The Blue Thriller (Tr. J. Glenn, Jr.) ambulance removed post race (bled).
3 Aimed For Fame (Tr. J. Flores) Stewards – medication.
Refund: \$686.00.
5 Snow Patrol (Tr. J. Nunez) jockey Gerardo Tapia replaced jockey Dionicio Navarro (sick).
7th Race - # 2 Two O Nine (Tr. J. Clark) claimed, Tr. M. Rodriguez.
4 Bambas Chick (Tr. J. Aleman) ambulance removed post race (unsound).
9th Race - # 3 Sexy Azoom (Tr. C. Gonzalez) claimed, Tr. P. Jones.

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	856	On Track Handle:	\$107,670
Off Track Attendance:	<u>2,408</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$260,688
Total:	3,264	Out of State:	<u>\$619,438</u>
		Total:	\$987,796

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>
11/13/2009	5	2	Pomanshoss	S. Sanchez	Unsound	Hackathorn	\$261
	7	2	Seraphina	J. Gomez	Sick	Hackathorn	\$285
	9	7	FT Special Cartel	J. Flores	Sick	Hackathorn	\$448
11/14/2009	1	7	Warren's Turn	S. Martinez	Unsound	Hackathorn	\$1,042
	7	7	SFR No Comment	L. Hernandez	Injured	Hackathorn	\$214
	9	2	Tag A Flyin	J. Flores	Sick	Hackathorn	\$331
11/15/2009	4	6	The New Callejero	F. Vallejo	Sick	Beck	\$821

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on November 15, 2009.

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: five for soundness, one for injury,

four for sickness, and three for having bled.

Nine horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and
removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Kim Sawyer.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
SUMMARY**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU 11/12	FRI 11/13	SAT 11/14	SUN 11/15	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D			-	0	0	0	0	30
CAL-BRED RACES		A		-	0	0	0	0	22
CLAIMS			R	-	5	1	5	11	479
DISQUALIFICATIONS		K		-	2	0	0	2	51
INQUIRIES	D			-	2	1	0	3	112
REFUNDS		A		-	3	3	2	8	507
RULINGS			Y	-	0	0	1	1	215

Stewards' Attendance: Kim Sawyer, Albert Christiansen, and Ruben Moreno were in daily attendance during this reporting period.

Kim Sawyer (Steward)

Albert Christiansen (Steward)

Ruben Moreno (Steward)