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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

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Santa Anita Park

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Week 7 – Thursday, June 16, 2016 – Sunday, June 19, 2016

WEDNESDAY

6/15/16

ENTRY/SCRATCH DAY

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Saturday, June 18. Nine (9) races were filled. There are four (4) races scheduled for the turf course which will close after the end of the week (June 19) for renovation. Eighty-two (82) horses are scheduled to start on Saturday.

Scratches and changes for Friday, June 17, were taken this morning in the racing office. There were no scratch cards submitted.

THURSDAY

6/16/16¹

BOB FLETCHER VISIT

Winners' Foundation Executive Director ROBERT FLETCHER stopped by the Stewards' office this morning. Mr. Fletcher comes by our office every so often to discuss their (Winners' Foundation) ongoing efforts to help CHRB licensees that have substance abuse problems.

6/16/16²

JOSE GARCIA RULING (REF: 6/12/16²)

LATS #179

Groom JOSE GARCIA is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – Fighting), on May 17, 2016, at Santa Anita Race Track. Furthermore, JOSE GARCIA is placed on probation for however long he is licensed with the California Horse Racing Board.

The ruling above was issued following a hearing held last week at Santa Anita. An identical decision was issued against Groom ROGELIO RIVERA who was the other combatant in a shed row altercation recently in the Santa Anita stable area.

6/16/16³**PATRICK GALLAGHER RULING**

Trainer Patrick GALLAGHER chose not to race #2 MAJESTIC FANTASY in the ninth race on Sunday, June 12, due to a pending sale. This declaration, along with another late program scratch, ultimately reduced the field in this race to seven (7) starters. In a unanimous decision the Stewards issued the following ruling.

LATS #180

Trainer PATRICK GALLAGHER is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – did not want to run) in the ninth race on June 12, 2016, at Santa Anita Park.

6/16/16⁴**OWNER JUDITH PARTRIDGE**

The Stewards received a letter from Trainer KATHY WALSH stating that Owner JUDITH PARTRIDGE no longer owes her the \$53,346 that the 2015 Del Mar Stewards ruled was owed to Trainer Walsh following a July 2015 hearing at Del Mar. The following ruling now makes it possible for Owner Partridge to renew her CHRB license.

LATS #181

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility), and having satisfied the terms of a financial agreement with Trainer KATHY WALSH, Owner JUDITH PARTRIDGE is restored to good standing. Ruling DMTD #013 issued at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club on July 11, 2015, is set aside.

6/16/16⁵**AGAPITO DELGADILLO FILM REVIEW (REF: 6/12/16³)**

Jockey AGAPITO DELGADILLO appeared in the Stewards' office in order to review his ride aboard #4 CLOSE TO THE EDGE who finished second but was disqualified and placed third in a majority decision in the second race on Sunday, June 12, 2016. Race replays today show Jockey Delgadillo looked to his inside at least twice before shifting over to the inside fence. Delgadillo's horse was about one (1) length in front of #1 MAY B (Edwin Maldonado) who was forced to steady his mount for four (4) or five (5) strides to avoid the heels of #4 CLOSE TO THE EDGE. Initially Delgadillo thought his rival had room along the rail to avoid him; however, Delgadillo did state he could have done a better job of allowing proper clearance. Jockey Delgadillo was in our office last month (REF: 5/30/16¹) in order to review the sixth race from May 29. He also was ordered into our office on June 10, 2016 (REF: 6/10/16¹), in order to review his ride in the third race on June 9. He received a warning for that race. In a unanimous vote the following ruling was issued:

LATS #182

Jockey AGAPITO DELGADILLO, who rode CLOSE TO THE EDGE in the second race at Santa Anita Race Track on June 12, 2016, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (June 26, 30, and July 1, 2016) for crossing over without sufficient clearance in the backstretch, resulting in a disqualification from second to third. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California.

6/16/16⁶**FLAVIEN PRAT FILM REVIEW**

Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT appeared in the Stewards' office in order to review his ride aboard #6 MARGIE'S MINUTE who finished second in the fifth race on Sunday, June 12. Jockey Prat was uncharacteristically over active with his use of the riding crop in this race. He told the Stewards this mare was not tired but "stopping" during the final 1/16 of this 1-1/16 mile main track event. The majority felt Jockey Prat violated CHRB Rule #1688 (Use Of The Riding Crop) one time in this race. Steward CHANEY felt he violated the rule twice. The following ruling was issued:

LATS #183

Jockey FLAVIEN PRAT is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) for violation

of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond – first offense in the last sixty days), during the fifth race at Santa Anita Race Track on June 12, 2016.

6/16/16⁷

MARTIN GARCIA FILM REVIEW

Jockey MARTIN GARCIA appeared in the Stewards' office in order to review his ride aboard #8 MINSTER'SADVENTURE, who finished seventh in the seventh race on June 12, 2016. Garcia had the outside #8 post position in this race and had questionable clearance of rivals #3 MY FIONA (Rafael Bejarano-fifth place) and #7 MELANISTIC (Giuseppe Ercegovic-third place). Both of these horses checked on the first turn of this one (1) mile main track event. Jockey Garcia thought he was sufficiently clear of these two (2) rivals. None of the Stewards did. The majority voted for a warning. Steward SAWYER voted for a three (3) day suspension.

6/16/16⁸

VICTOR ESPINOZA FILM REVIEW

Jockey VICTOR ESPINOZA appeared in the Stewards' office today in order to review his ride aboard #2 FUSAICHI SAMURAI who finished second in the tenth race on Saturday, June 4. The Stewards originally thought Jockey Espinoza may have possibly struck his mount's ears with his riding crop two (2) or three (3) times during this race's final furlong. After film review Steward CHANEY still did (voted \$300 fine). The majority felt the films were inconclusive.

6/16/16⁹

JOCKEY COLONY ADDITION

Jockey JAMIE THERIOT, who has recently been plying his trade in Kentucky and Louisiana, appeared in the Stewards' office to introduce himself and go over California race riding protocol. Theriot was accompanied by his agent TOMMY BALL. Theriot told the Stewards he has nearly 2,500 lifetime wins.

6/16/16¹⁰

NORTHERN COLLEAGUES

CHRB Chief Steward DARREL MCHARGUE and CHRB General Counsel ROBERT B. MILLER made individual trips to the judges' stand today to visit the Stewards. Numerous racing related matters were discussed. Both McHargue and Miller attended the monthly meeting of the California Horse Racing Board that was held in the Baldwin Terrace Room here at Santa Anita.

6/16/16¹¹

SMOOTH CARD

Today's eight (8) race card went well as it was free of Stewards' Inquiries and /or jockey objections.

6/16/16¹²

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS

2 nd Race	#1 ANYTHINGS COOKIN (Tr. J. Hollendorfer) sick - Tim Grande, DVM Refund: \$528.18
4 th Race	#7 YES YES YES (Tr. P. Eurton) claimed by J. Carava
5 th Race	#5 APPEALING LADY (Tr. P. Eurton) sick - Dana Stead, DVM Refund: \$329.68
7 th Race	#4 MEADOW BLOSSOM (Tr. M. Tsagalakis) sick - Dana Stead, DVM Refund: \$407.54

6/16/16¹³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,805	617,444.40
SCOTWinc	3,782	1,067,957.20
Out of state + ADW	N/A	3,764,660.28
Total	6,587	5,450,061.88

FRIDAY
6/17/16¹

EDDIE TRUMAN COMPLAINT (CASE NO: 16SA133)

Trainer EDDIE TRUMAN was in the Stewards' office to answer to an alleged violation of CHRB Rule 1866 (b)(3) (Veterinarian's List). Trainer Truman scratched his horse NUSRET from the 4th race on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, 2016. The reason listed on Trainer Truman's scratch card was 'injured'. Two (2) days later, on Wednesday, June 1, 2016, NUSRET recorded an official 5 furlong workout in a time of 1:03.20 handily, 48 hours after being placed on the Veterinarian's list. Trainer Truman, who the Stewards felt was very candid and honest during the informal hearing, said his horse had 'scratches' on its hind leg which 'filled up' prior to the request to scratch. He said his horse was "totally fine" on the morning of the workout (June 1). He told the Stewards' he didn't know he violated CHRB Rule #1866 but nonetheless accepted responsibility for his actions. More to follow.

6/17/16²

SANTA ANITA RACETRACK RULING – CASE NO. 16SA110 - (REF: 6/4/16¹)
LATS #184

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1580 (Control Over Entries and Declarations), Santa Anita Race Track is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1581.1(a) (Entries – accepting entry of in-today horse prior to being excused by Stewards on May 13, 2016).

The ruling above was issued following an informal hearing that was held here on June 4, 2016. Steward CHANEY dissented on this matter, voting for a warning.

6/17/16³

BRANDON BOULANGER FILM REVIEW

Jockey BRANDON BOULANGER appeared in the Stewards' office in order to review his ride aboard #6 MULTIPLE SUNS who finished seventh in the eighth race which was a one (1) mile turf event yesterday (June 16) at Santa Anita. Approaching the 3/8 marker of this race #6 MULTIPLE SUNS veers in and makes contact with third place finisher #2 WARD 'N JERRY (Flavian Prat). The contact to #2 WARD 'N JERRY knocked his hind end inward. Steward SAWYER felt Jockey Boulanger made an effort to correct his mount prior to contact. The majority felt the incident should have been avoided and subsequently constituted a 'careless ride'. Therefore, the Stewards issued the following ruling:

LATS #185

Jockey BRANDON BOULANGER, who rode MULTIPLE SUNS in the eighth race at Santa Anita Race Track on June 16, 2016, is suspended for THREE (3) RACING DAYS (June 24, 25, and 26, 2016) for failure to maintain a straight course in the backstretch and causing interference. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California.

6/17/16⁴

NEW JOCKEY

Jockey Agent MICHAEL BURNS introduced the Stewards to South American Jockey RITO ALMANZA, who has arrived at Santa Anita after winning over 200 races in his native Peru. The Stewards and Safety Steward LUIS JAUREGUI reviewed several California rules and regulations with the 22-year-old reins man.

6/17/16⁵

SMOOTH CARD

Today's eight (8) race card went well as it was free of Stewards' Inquiries and/or jockey objections.

6/17/16⁶

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS

4th Race #1 LOOK QUICKLY (Tr. W. E. Morey) claimed by A. Marquez

6th Race #1 ELECTRIFYING (Tr. R.B. Hess Jr.) claimed by D. Jacobson –
Claim Voided - unsound

7th Race #4 IANCOL (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed by M. Mudarris
 #1 SAINT MARIE - Jockey Change G. Ercegovic for M. Garcia (sick)
 #8 FRENCH ALPS (Tr. R.B. Hess Jr.) claimed by M. Pearson
 #9 TOPPERS SUNSHINE (Tr. M. Machowsky) claimed by C. Dollase

8th Race Declaration #2 SCOREBOARD SASSY (Tr. Agarie) flipped in paddock
 Refund: \$4,345.84 Dana Stead, DVM

6/17/16⁷**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,021	658,147.60
SCOTWinc	4,039	1,232,426.30
Out of state + ADW	N/A	4,338,156.81
Total	7,060	6,228,730.71

SATURDAY6/18/16¹**DAVID KONTOES HEARING (CASE NO:16SA0123)**

Trainer NICOLAS ACUNA filed a complaint against Owner DAVID KONTOES alleging that Owner Kontoes owes him \$2,500 regarding the sale of THE BUFFSTER. This horse is scheduled to be a first-time starter in tomorrow's (June 19) fifth race. He is in for a claiming price of \$35,000. Trainer Acuna, who is based at San Luis Rey Downs, and Owner Kontoes were present for today's informal hearing. There was no disagreement between these two (2) gentlemen as far as monies owed. Owner Kontoes requested that he be given a day to 'check on things' at his home tonight and call the Stewards at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow in order to figure out the quickest way to pay Trainer Acuna. Trainer Acuna told the Stewards he was fine with that. More to follow.

6/18/16²**SAMUEL NICHOLS COMPLAINT (CASE NO: 16SA0122)**

Trainer NICHOLS ACUNA filed a complaint against Owner/Trainer SAMUEL NICHOLS alleging that Mr. Nichols owes him \$1,200 regarding the sale of the horse MISS NAPPER TANDY. This hearing has been rescheduled with a new hearing date of June 23, 2016, at noon.

6/18/16³**MIGUEL MACIAS MATTER (CASE NO: 15DM0054)**

The 2015 Del Mar Board of Stewards conducted negotiations in September, 2015, in a case that alleged violation of CHRB Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility). This complaint was filed by Trainer RICKY AGARIE against Owner MIGUEL MACIAS. Following that hearing a 'Financial Complaint Agreement' was signed by both parties. Our office has now been informed that Owner Macias failed to adhere in totality to that agreement. The Stewards subsequently issued the following ruling today.

LATS #186

Owner MIGUEL MACIAS is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility – trainer Ricky Agarie \$500.00 and owner Moonlight Farms Inc. \$900.80). During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of MIGUEL MACIAS are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend and Fine), MIGUEL MACIAS is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

6/18/16⁴**CHAMPION FILLY**

The JERRY HOLLENDORFER-trained SONGBIRD remained unbeaten today as she recorded a facile victory in the \$200,000 Summertime Oaks (Grade 2). Her eighth career victory today puts her over 2 million dollars in career earnings. Her first start was July 26, 2015, at Del Mar. Trainer Jerry Hollendorfer, who celebrated his 70th birthday today, Jockey Mike Smith and Fox Hill Farms Inc. were the winning connections.

Over 1 million dollars (\$1,081,223) was wagered in the show pool on this 8th race. Of that amount, \$1,017,594 was bet to show on #4 SONGBIRD. Santa Anita Mutuel Manager RANDY HARTZELL reported a minus show pool of \$201,483.

6/18/16⁵**SMOOTH CARD**

Today's nine (9) race card went well as it was free of Stewards' Inquiries and/or jockey objection's.

6/18/16⁶**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS**

1st Race Declaration #8 NAME FOR THE BLAME (Tr. Doug O'Neil) lame on track – Dana Stead, DVM
Refund: \$104,706.20

2nd Race Declaration #7 MRS. GUTY (Tr. Michael McCarthy) flipped in walking ring – Dana Stead, DVM
Refund: \$16,894.84

4th Race #3 KARMA KING (Tr. G. Sherlock) claimed by Tr. B. Koriner
#4 SOUPER KNIGHT (Tr. J. Sadler) claimed by Tr. P. Miller

8th Race Declaration #5 COPPA (Tr. P. D'Amato) – stake - Stewards
Refund: \$2,917.30

6/18/16⁷**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	7,823	1,482,888.70
SCOTWinc	6,043	1,976,383.60
Out of state + ADW	N/A	6,865,269.70
Total	13,866	10,324,542.00

SUNDAY6/19/16¹**MARIO GUTIERREZ FILM REVIEW**

Jockey MARIO GUTIERREZ appeared in the Steward's office in order to review his ride aboard #10 RALIS, who finished second in yesterday's sixth race. This event was the \$75,000 Rainbow Stakes which was contested at 1 1/8 miles on the infield turf course. In the stretch run of this race, both Gutierrez and Jockey EDWIN MALDONADO, who rode first place finisher #3 MR. ROARY, were racing erratically in this race's final furlong. #10 RALIS and #3 MR. ROARY made slight contact with each other. Jockey Gutierrez was cautioned to keep his mounts on a straighter course.

6/19/16²**EDWIN MALDONADO FILM REVIEW**

Jockey EDWIN MALDONADO was represented by Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE for a film review of yesterday's sixth race. Maldonado rode the winner, #3 MR. ROARY, in this \$75,000 added Rainbow Stakes. Race replays show Jockey Maldonado utilize his riding crop with his left hand in this race's final furlong. This caused his horse to drift out and make contact with second place finisher #10 RALIS (Mario Gutierrez). Our panel was obviously concerned about the needless contact but felt this particular ride fell short of warranting a penalty. Jockey Maldonado begins a 3-day riding suspension today and was given permission by the Stewards to send a representative this morning.

6/19/16³**DAVID KONTOES FINANCIAL (REF: 6/18/16¹)**

Owner DAVID KONTOES and Trainer NICK ACUNA reached a financial agreement today following an informal hearing (Case No.: 16SA0123) that was held here yesterday, June 18. Both parties have agreed that Owner Kontoes will pay \$200 per month until the total amount of \$2,500 involving the sale of THE BUFFSTER is paid in full.

6/19/16⁴**EDDIE TRUMAN RULING (REF: 6/17/16¹)**

The following ruling was issued after the Stewards deliberated about the testimony and documents given/presented at an informal hearing held in our office on Friday, June 17. Trainer Truman worked out his trainee NUSRET 48 hours after being placed on the veterinarian's list.

LATS #187

Trainer EDDIE TRUMAN, who worked out the horse NUSRET on June 1, 2016, (48 hours after being placed on the Veterinarian's List), is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1866(B) (Veterinarian's List – may not work out for 72 hours after being placed on list [injured]).

6/19/16⁵**DRAYDEN VAN DYKE RULING**

The following ruling was issued after Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE arrived in the jockey's room at 1:44 p.m. Post time for his first mount of the day (Third Race) was 2:38 p.m.

LATS #188

Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1680 (Jockeys and Drivers to Report) on June 17, 2016 at Santa Anita Park.

6/19/16⁶**MARTIN PEDROZA RULING**

Jockey MARTIN PEDROZA appeared in the Stewards' office in order to review his ride aboard #4 WARM ENDOWMENT who finished fifth in the ninth race yesterday (June 18). Of particular interest in this one (1) mile turf event were the actions of the aforementioned #4 WARM ENDOWMENT on the far turn inside the 3/8 marker. Jockey Pedroza's mount is 'full of run' on the far turn but his filly is behind three (3) rivals and 'locked in' to his outside by eventual second place finisher #5 GOLDEN LIGHT (Tiago Pereira). Jockey Pedroza points his horse outward and pushes #5 GOLDEN LIGHT off his rightful course attempting to obtain any racing room possible. The Stewards felt this was a very clear violation of our CHRB riding rules. In a unanimous decision, the following ruling was issued:

LATS #189

Jockey MARTIN PEDROZA, who rode WARM ENDOWMENT in the ninth race at Santa Anita Race Track on June 18, 2016, is suspended for THREE (3) RACING DAYS (June 25, 26, and 30 2016) for altering course without sufficient clearance and causing interference in the backstretch. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California.

6/19/16⁷**HEAT ADJUSTMENT/SPECIAL POST TIME**

It was announced earlier this week that first post time would be moved up to 12 Noon from its recently normal 1:30 p.m. start. This change was made in order to complete today's nine (9) race card earlier than usual in order to avoid anticipated high late afternoon temperatures. Scheduled last post today was 4:03 p.m. (REF: 6/19/16⁸). Jockeys were 'legged up' in the shaded saddling barn, as opposed to the outdoor walking ring, in order to give the horses as much time as possible in a shaded area. The Stewards shortened the length of today's post parades.

6/19/16⁸**SADDLE SWITCH/11 MINUTE DELAY**

There was an eleven (11) minute delay prior to the running of today's last (9th) race. As the thirteen (13) participants for this race were going through the tunnel under the grandstand and on their way to the racetrack, the jockey of #4 DINNER AT TRANI'S (Abel Lezcano) noticed the saddle he was sitting on was not his own. It was soon discovered that his saddle was on #11 BIG BAD BATMAN (Abel Cedillo) and vice versa. After all of the

thirteen (13) jockeys in this race dismounted in the saddling barn, the proper saddling adjustments were made. Post time for this race was originally 4:03 p.m. The race finally went off at 4:14 p.m. The Stewards are currently asking questions of the racing officials involved in order to hopefully avoid any future similar debacles.

6/19/16⁹

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES and REFUNDS

2nd Race Declaration #7 I'D BE SAD AN BLUE (Tr. E. Freeman) - sick
Refund: \$1,234.98 Dana Stead, DVM

4th Race #7 SWEETWATER GAL (Tr. R. Ellis) claimed by J. Sadler

5th Race Declaration #7 RIDEO (Tr. R. Mandella) sick – Tim Grande, DVM
Refund: \$601.68

7th Race #2 NO CONTINGENCY (Tr. M. Pender) claimed by A.C. Avila
#3 AIN'T MISBEHAVIN (Tr. S. Miyadi) claimed by D. Jacobson

8th Race Declaration #10 SUTTON'S SILK (Tr. P. D'Amato – stake - Stewards
Refund: \$883.36

9th Race #13 BUNDESLIGA (Tr. B. Baffert) claimed by D. O'Neil

6/19/16¹⁰

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	7,262	\$1,218,530.00
SCOTWinc	5,152	1,528,450.80
Out of state + ADW	N/A	5,358,543.76
Total	12,414	8,105,524.56

VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 6/13/2016 – 6/19/2016

Horses on Vet List	11	Deceased	3
Horses off Vet List	12	Shock Wave Therapy	35

ATTENDANCE REPORT – The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

SUMMARY

	Thurs 6/16/16	Fri 6/17/16	Sat 6/18/16	Sun 6/19/16	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	3
Cal-Bred Races	4	2	2	1	9	43
Claims	1	5	2	4	12	104
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	3
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	14
Refunds	3	1	3	3	10	157
Rulings	5	2	1	3	11	70
Voided Claims	0	1	0	0	1	3

Respectfully submitted,

Grant W. Baker, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward

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