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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, Inc.

Santa Anita Park

To the California Horse Racing Board

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Week 4 – Sunday, January 11, 2015 – Saturday, January 17, 2015

SUNDAY
1/11/15¹

A. M. Declarations

All scratches are either a change in racing surface or track condition unless otherwise noted.

1 st race-	#1 GREELY AWESOME	
	#3 EMPTY HEADED	
	#4 SOMETHINGS UNUSUAL	
	#6 EZIO	
	#7 FAST MAST	
	#14 TAMA COUNTRY	Refund of \$3,881.44
3 rd race-	#4 COMIN' OFFTHEBANCH (Vet - unsound)	Refund of \$3,819.48
5 th race-	#4 EBONY PRINCESS	
	#5 CONQUEST ARTURA	
	#6 SCANDAL	
	#7 BAYONET	
	#9 PROMOTIONAL	
	#10 CARADINI	
	#13 AWESOME DIAMOND	Refund of \$9,899.45
6 th race-	#3 MOLTEN IMAGE	Refund of \$893.04
7 th race-	#6 MY SWEET ADDICTION (Stakes)	Refund of \$5,074.50
8 th race-	#1 FOUND PLACE	
	#3 BIG JOHNNY D	
	#6 SOFAST	
	#9 SAINT LOUP	
	#11 JOES BLAZING AARON	
	#12 TIZ A MINISTER	Refund of \$2,230.16
9 th race-	#3 BANDIDO TOO	Refund of \$8,599.80

1/11/15²

RULING – LATS #016

Stable Foreman LIANDRO MORFIN is suspended for violation of California

Horse Racing Board rules #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – possession and use of marijuana), and #1890 (Possession of Contraband – methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia).

This ruling was issued after Mr. MORFIN failed to be evaluated by Winners' Foundation representatives as ordered by this Board of Stewards.

1/11/15³

RULING – LATS #017

Jockey ALEX CANCHARI is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (January 17, 18, and 19, 2015) for altering course without sufficient clearance and causing interference, which resulted in the disqualification of his mount, BEST EFFORTS, from the fourth race at Santa Anita Race Track on January 10, 2015. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Careless Riding).

Term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races).

The preceding ruling was issued after the rider, in the company of his agent, JIM PEGRAM, viewed video of the fourth race from 1/10, in which his mount was disqualified for interference at mid-stretch. While Mr. Canchari did shift out while not clear, we put some of the blame on the horse that fell, as it was lugging in and not cooperating with its rider. Therefore the suspension was only three days.

1/11/15⁴

RULING – LATS #018

Owner KAYLEETA ROBINSON, dba PACIFIC COAST THOROUGHBREDS, LLC, having complied with the provisions of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility) is restored to good standing. Ruling LAQL #008, issued at Los Alamitos Race Course on January 9, 2015, is set aside.

This ruling was issued after it was learned that Ms. ROBINSON paid her debt to Dr. OVERLY for work done at Los Alamitos.

1-11-15⁵

STEWARDS' INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

The Inquiry sign was posted after the second race as the Stewards reviewed an incident near the finish involving the first three finishers - #5 GOT EVEN (M. Pedroza), #1 I'LL WRAP IT UP (E. Trujillo), and #2 APOLLO TEN (R. Bejarano).

After speaking with the riders involved, taking into account reports from the Patrol Judges and reviewing video of the stretch run, the Stewards voted unanimously to leave the original order of finish intact. While the winner did drift out in the late stages, contributing to light contact between the second and third place horses, the incident did not cost either horse the opportunity for a better placing.

1/11/15⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	5,312	1,027,258.40
SCOTWinc	5,346	1,540,855.60
Out of state + ADW	N/A	5,141,242.07
Total	10,658	7,709,356.07

THURSDAY

1/15/15¹

A. M. DECLARATIONS

8th race- #7 MY NAME IS BRUCE (Vet-unsound) Refund of \$498.88

1/15/15²**VIDEO REVIEW**

MARTIN PEDROZA was in the office this morning to review his ride in the second race this past Sunday, after which he was the subject of a Stewards' inquiry. By majority vote (Steward Chaney opting for a suspension), Mr. Pedroza was given a warning with the admonishment that a similar incident could result in a different outcome.

Apprentice GONZALO NICOLAS was in the office to review the ninth race on Sunday, as his mount was responsible for interference on the backstretch. After review, he was held blameless as his horse was found to be the culprit.

1/15/15³**FIRST TIME GELDING CONTROVERSY**

During the course of the racing program the Stewards were informed that the horse UNUSUALLY BIG, scheduled to race in the eighth race this afternoon, was being reported by the Racing Form to be a first time gelding. Additionally, HRTV commentator JON WHITE reported on the air that there was a conflict between the *Form* and the official program. The program listed the horse as a gelding, but not a "first time gelding". UNUSUALLY BIG had raced one time at Arlington Park this past August and the notation in the *Form* showed the horse being gelded on August 28, 2014, prompting the first time gelding icon in the *Form*. AIMEE DOLLASE, assistant to trainer TOM PROCTOR, was contacted and she informed us that he horse had been gelded prior to its first start. We contacted the *Daily Racing Form* representatives at the track in order to resolve the conflict and at that time were told that the date in the *Form* is not the date of the actual gelding but the date the castration was reported to The Jockey Club. Our program was correct but the *Form* was not. We will resolve the disparity as quickly as possible.

1/15/15⁴**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,542	555,321.70
SCOTWinc	4,399	1,231,279.30
Out of state + ADW	N/A	3,462,554.17
Total	6,941	5,249,155.17

FRIDAY1/16/15¹**A. M. DECLARATIONS**

3rd race- #12 LETS GET FRISKY (Also eligible)
 #13 NEVERSAYNEVER (Also eligible) Refund of \$1,161.60
 4th race- #1 BETH'S BLING (Vet-sick) see 1/16/15⁵
 5th race- #2 PRESS BARON (Vet-sick) Refund of \$1,758.00
 6th race- #6 KIBOU (Vet-unsound) Refund of \$492.65
 8th race- #9 WABEL (Vet-sick) Refund of \$2,726.70

1/16/15²**RULING – LATS #019**

Exercise rider ANTONIO GUTIERREZ is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1922 (Identification Required – expired license).

This ruling was issued after Mr. Gutierrez had no plausible excuse for not renewing his license.

1/16/15³**ACCIDENT/INQUIRY/NO CHANGE**

The Inquiry sign was posted after the first race to review the circumstances which resulted in apprentice jockey JONATHAN ROMAN being unseated from his mount, #3 HEYYOUCAN, near the one-sixteenth pole. After taking into account reports from the Patrol Judges and reviewing video of the incident, the Stewards voted unanimously to

make no change to the original placings. Review showed that the horse made a sudden right turn, causing Roman to lose his balance and fall. Fortunately, the rider was not injured and was cleared to ride by the track physician. This was the second time the horse had ducked out; therefore, the horse will be placed on the “barred” list. Racing Secretary RICK HAMMERLE called shortly after the race to inform us that the horse’s trainer, CHUCK TREECE, came to the racing office and removed the foal certificate, saying that the horse’s racing career was over as he did not want to cause injury to a rider. (Accident Report attached).

1/16/15⁴**STEWARDS’ INQUIRY – NO CHANGE**

The Inquiry sign was posted after the second race to review the circumstances which caused jockey EDWIN MALDONADO, aboard #4 TAPPINGINTHERAIN, to check sharply while between horses in the middle of the far turn. After speaking with the riders involved, taking into account reports from the Patrol Judges and reviewing video of the incident, the Stewards voted unanimously to make no change to the original order of finish. While there may have been slight pressure from the horse on the outside of the spread, it was felt that Maldonado’s horse finished so far back that her finish position was not affected by the incident.

1/16/15⁵**REFUND**

A refund was ordered in the fourth race as #2 QUALITY CHIMES flipped while in the starting gate, injured itself, and was declared on the advice of Racing Veterinarian STEAD. The refund amounted to \$104,506.42.

1/16/15⁶**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	2,460	643,395.50
SCOTWinc	4,580	1,471,911.70
Out of state + ADW	N/A	4,414,998.15
Total	7,040	6,530,305.35

SATURDAY1/17/15¹**A. M. DECLARATIONS**

6 th race- #8 TIME TOGET AHEAD (Vet-injured)	Refund of \$556.30
7 th race- #11 BIRDLOVER (Also eligible)	Refund of \$1,062.19
8 th race- #2 SAM’S SISTER (Stakes)	Refund of \$2,620.30

1/17/15²**STEWARDS’ INQUIRY and DISQUALIFICATION**

The Inquiry sign was posted after the fifth race to review an incident in the stretch involving the first and second place finishers, #2 HOLY LUTE (R. Bejarano) and #4 U S CITIZEN (K. Desormeaux). After speaking with the riders involved, taking into account reports from the Patrol Judges and reviewing video of the stretch run, the Stewards voted unanimously to disqualify HOLY LUTE from first to second position. Video showed that the horse was on the drift from the 1/8th pole to the finish line and bumped the second place finisher on two occasions. The margin at the wire was a fast diminishing “head” and the Stewards felt the interference was sufficient to cost DESORMEAUX and his mount the victory.

1/17/15³**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	9,202	1,692,488.30
SCOTWinc	6,766	2,289,377.80
Out of state + ADW	N/A	7,532,360.93
Total	15,968	11,514,227.03

VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 1/5/15 – 1/11/15

Horses on Vet List	14
Horses off Vet List	14
Shock Wave Therapy	14
Deceased	2
Medication	0

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

	Sun 1/11	Thurs 1/15	Fri 1/16	Sat 1/17	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	1	0	1	3
Cal-Bred Races	1	1	1	3	6	14
Claims	4	6	3	7	20	59
Disqualifications	0	0	0	1	1	3
Inquiries	1	0	2	1	4	9
Refunds	7	1	5	3	16	77
Rulings	3	0	1	0	4	19
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	6

Respectfully submitted,

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C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward

Attachment
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