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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 13-Sunday, March 20, 2011-Saturday, March 26, 2011

SUNDAY
03/20/11¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

A cold, wet storm on the first day of Spring hit this area early in the morning, prompting a number of scratches for track condition or a change in racing surface. They were:

- 4th race - #5 Buenos Dias (Stakes) refund of \$3,140.76
- 5th race - #2 Victory With Honor (Track condition)
#3 Feisty Suances (Track condition) refund of \$4,405.83
- 6th race - #2 Whiskers and Bye (Track condition)
#3 Energia Solar (Veterinarian-injured)
#9 Warren's My Queen (Track condition) refund of \$6,824.78
- 7th race - #6 State Gathering (Off turf)
#7 Carnivore (Off turf)
#8 Willyconker (Off turf) refund of \$3,016.58
- 8th race - #3 Dawnie Macho (Stakes)
#7 Top Debutante (Stakes) refund of \$1,839.85
- 9th race - #4 Bay Rush (Track condition) refund of \$7993.87

03/20/11²

VETERINARIAN MEETING

The Stewards met with our team of veterinarians this morning – Official Veterinarian Jill Bailey, and Racing Veterinarians Dana Stead and Tim Grande – in order to exchange thoughts on the most expeditious manner in which to place horses on and remove horses from the Veterinarian's List. At issue was the fact

that a horse was removed from the list as the trainer had not been informed within 72 hours of the horse being placed on the list. Such notification is mandated by rule #1866. A healthy discussion was had and changes will be implemented.

03/20/11³

RIDER EXCUSED

Corey Nakatani was excused from his mounts this afternoon as he was suffering from a sore throat. Track physician Dr. Sotomayor examined the rider and found him unfit to perform. Replacement riders were named.

03/20/11⁴

RULING LATS #075

Apprentice jockey **TYLER KAPLAN** is fined **ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers-failure to review video when so ordered).

This ruling was issued after Mr. Kaplan gave his explanation of his failure to attend the mandatory weekly meeting of apprentice riders with former jockey, and now Safety Steward, Luis Jauregui. None of the excuses held water; therefore the fine was assessed.

03/20/11⁵

MINUS POOL

A minus pool was created in the third race when #3 Midnight Interlude, the odds on choice at 3/5, proved an easy winner. A total of \$6,432.61 was needed to balance.

03/20/11⁶

All matters during the course of the racing program were routine.

03/20/11⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	4,300	\$1,002,588.50
Inter-track	6,752	\$1,801,536.00
Out of state	n/a	\$3,070,620.25
Total	11,052	\$5,874,744.75

WEDNESDAY

03/23/11¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

3rd race - #1 Sarbonne (Off turf)

#1x Bellingham (Also Eligible

#6 Wisest Cat (Off turf)

#7 Cheers to Boogie (Off turf)

#9 Mr. Make Believe (Off turf)

#10 Take a Yard (Off turf) refund of \$1,324.02

6th race - #1 Warren's Peacock (Enter back)

#6 Tribal Charm (Veterinarian-injured) refund of \$860.30

03/23/11²

RULING LATS #076

Jockey **CHANTAL SUTHERLAND** is fined **ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)*** pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations-late to the paddock).

This ruling was issued after Ms. Sutherland, in the company of her agent, Brian Beach, came to the office to explain her tardiness to the paddock for the seventh race this past Sunday. She explained that she was a participant in the George Woolf award ceremony, and did not have time to prepare for the succeeding race. It was pointed out to her that while other riders also participated, they did not have a problem getting to their mounts in a somewhat timely manner.

03/23/11³

RULING LATS #077

Trainer **ERIC REED** is fined **SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00)*** for failure to properly report the gelding of the horse "RUN ARNIE RUN", which ran in the ninth race at Santa Anita Park on February 13, 2011. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1865 (Altering of Sex of Horse).

This ruling was issued after a telephonic hearing with Mr. Reed into his failure to report the gelding of first time starter Run Arnie Run when entering for the ninth race on February 13, 2011. Mr. Reed, who has returned to his home in Kentucky to recuperate from an illness he suffered while in California, explained that the horse was gelded at a farm while it was a yearling and he was not aware of the castration. He further stated that he was not aware of the California rule and accepted the penalty.

03/23/11⁴

All matters during the course of the racing program were routine.

03/23/11⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,187	\$1,002,956.90
Inter-track	4,024	\$461,607.70
Out of state	n/a	\$2,205,243.16
Total	6,211	\$3,669,807.76

THURSDAY

03/24/11¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

1st race - #5 Sea of Joy (Veterinarian-unsound) refund of \$737.60

3rd race - #4 Miss Resplendene (Off turf)

#5 Last Sting (Off turf) refund of \$1,935.12

5th race - #3 Eurasian (Veterinarian-sick)

#10 Seeking Solace (Stewards)

#11 Cook Inlet (entered dirt only-on turf) refund of \$2,668.76

8th race - #2 Pet Me Pet Me (Track condition)

#5 Foxy Party Girl (Veterinarian-injured) refund of \$8,761.77

03/24/11²

CHATTONG HEARINGS

Two cases filed by Board investigators against owner Vichien Chattong were heard this morning. The formal hearings, requested by Chattong, were for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1876(Financial Responsibility) and #1877(Checks) as it was alleged that he owed former employee Jesus Ospina wages and also had written a check to Ospina which was not honored by the bank. Present were the Board of Stewards, Chattong, Ospina, and Board investigator Rick Ameiva. Safety Steward Luis Jauregui acted as the interpreter for Ospina, while Barbara Weinstein recorded the proceedings.

Ospina said he presented the check at his bank and used his debit card as identification. He was told that there were not sufficient funds to cover the check. Chattong maintained that there were funds, and that the bank told him Ospina did not have valid ID for them to cash the check. We believe Ospina. Chattong subsequently gave Ospina \$1,200.00 in cash to make the check good and also partial payment on wages. The second matter was adjudicated as the two compromised on the amount owed and settled for \$390.00. Consequently, an official warning was issued for the dishonored check.

03/24/11³ All matters during the course of the racing program were routine.

03/24/11⁴ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,264	\$681,963.00
Inter-track	4,871	\$1,194,977.70
Out of state	n/a	\$1,917,947.20
Total	8,135	\$3,794,887.90

FRIDAY

03/25/11¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

1st race - #2 Tashzara (Off turf)
 #3 Mutually Benefit (Off turf) refund of \$3,014.904
 3rd race - #5 Dancing At Dark (Off turf)
 #6 Mazarron (Off turf) refund of \$2,695.28
 4th race - #5 Road to the Throne (Veterinarian-unsound)
 #7 Bay Rush (Track condition) refund of \$4,477.96
 5th race - #5 First Strike (Track condition) refund of \$3,561.26
 7th race - #2 Dave's Revenge (Track condition)
 #3 Elle Dehere (Veterinarian-sick) refund of \$619.74

03/25/11²

RULING LATS #078

Jockey **ALONSO QUINONEZ** is fined **ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)*** pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered by Rules and Regulations-late to the paddock-March 23, 2011, second race).

This ruling was issued after Mr. Quinonez came to the office to explain his extreme tardiness in coming to the walking ring prior to the second race on Wednesday. Quinonez said that after weighing out, he suffered the onset of a gastrointestinal problem which left him unable to leave the loo. He was told that he at least should have informed someone in authority about his problem as that way the horses would not have left the saddling barn.

03/25/11³

COMPLAINTS DISMISSED

Three financial complaints filed by trainer Doug O'Neill against clients were withdrawn as O'Neill called and said he had agreements in place. He was asked if he understood that he could not re-file should the licensees not live up to the terms of the agreement. He said he was aware of this but still wanted to withdraw the complaints.

03/25/11⁴

OWNER IN

Owner Earnest Johnson was in the office this morning to voice his concerns over the fact that his horse Road to the Throne, an eight-year-old, 0 for 35 maiden,

was scratched after a pre-race examination by Official Veterinarian Jill Bailey. Mr. Johnson acknowledged that he was not at the barn when his horse was examined but said that in his opinion there was nothing wrong with the horse. In fact, he felt the horse had an excellent chance to end the winless streak this afternoon. He was informed that we would contact Dr. Bailey and get details which prompted the scratch.

03/25/11⁵

COMPLAINT DISMISSED

A complaint filed by Dr. Melinda Blue against Redwood Racing was dismissed as payment was made in full.

03/25/11⁶

All matters during the course of the racing program were routine.

03/25/11⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	4,212	\$759,396.50
Inter-track	5,140	\$1,338,279.00
Out of state	n/a	\$1,987,392.94
Total	9,352	\$4,085,068.44

SATURDAY

03/26/11¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

4th race - #3 Royce (Off turf)

#8 Tamarack Smarty (Off turf)

#11 Distant Sky (Off turf) refund of \$2,151.48

7th race - #3 Rendezvous (Stakes) refund of \$706.32

8th race - #7 Lady Alex (Track condition) refund of \$693.

03/26/11²

MANDELLA HEARING

A formal hearing was held this morning into a complaint filed by the Board against trainer Richard Mandella, whose horse Champ Pegasus, which finished first in the third race at Santa Anita on February 19, 2011, tested positive for the drug Methocarbamol. Present were the Board of Stewards and Investigator Rick Amieva, who presented the case for the Board. Mr. Mandella could not attend as he is in Dubai for the World Cup but instructed the Stewards to proceed in his absence. He said that the horse did receive the medication found in the post-race test and that it was simply a mistake in the barn which caused the problem. Ruling to follow.

03/26/11³

BACKSTRETCH RULINGS

Twenty-one rulings were issued for security citations issued for non-compliance with stable area fire regulations or failure to display licenses.

03/26/11⁴

MINUS POOL

A minus pool was created in the second race as #2 Tokubetsu, the odds-on favorite at 3-5, finished second. A total of \$9,127.51 was needed to balance.

03/26/11⁵

ACCIDENT/HORSE EUTHANIZED

The fifth race this afternoon was marred by an accident at the top of the stretch. Just as the field passed the 3/16th pole, #8 Brenthurst, with Martin Pedroza aboard, suffered a catastrophic injury to the left front fetlock and fell suddenly.

Fortunately, Pedroza was thrown clear and was given a clearance to ride after examination by the track physician. Brenthurst, however, had to be euthanized on the track by Racing Veterinarian Dana Stead. Accident report attached.

03/26/11⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	12,752	\$1,817,148.40
Inter-track	8,310	\$2,509,800.70
Out of state	n/a	\$2,604,768.45
Total	21,062	\$6,931,717.55

WEEKLY SUMMARY

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.

VETERINARIAN REPORT - WEEK OF 03/14/11 – 03/20/11

Horses on Vet List 16
Horses off Vet List **18**
Shock Wave Therapy 6
Deceased 5
Medication 9

SUMMARY

	Sun 3/20	Wed 3/23	Thurs. 3/24	Fri 3/25	Sat 3/26	Week	Meet
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Rulings	1	2	0	1	21	25	99
Refunds	6	2	4	5	3	20	267
Accidents	0	0	0	0	1	1	12
Claims	0	2	1	2	4	9	177
Cal-Bred Races	0	2	1	1	0	4	63

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ward, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Safety Steward