

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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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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For the period: Thursday, February 19, 2009, through Sunday, February 22, 2009.

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MINUTES – NINTH WEEK of SANTA ANITA

THURSDAY02/19/09¹**A.M. DECLARATIONS**2nd Race #3 Schaghticoke Hill (Vet – injured) refund of \$513.503rd Race #5 Warren's Peanut (Vet – unsound) see entry of 02/19/09⁴6th Race #5 Kicken Vixen (Vet – sick) refund of \$2,108.877th Race #7 Royal Seal (Vet – sick) refund of \$746.338th Race #2 Parliament (Vet – injured) refund of \$1,264.8502/19/09²**RIDER EXCUSED**

Jockey Gerry Olguin, who was unseated from his mount at the start of the third race on February 14, was once again excused as he had some lingering soreness. Replacement riders were named.

02/19/09³**RULINGS****LATS #035**

Groom **GREGORIO VIGIL** is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1489 (h) (Engaged in the use of drugs–marijuana). Additionally, Mr. Vigil will remain on probation until February 19, 2010 and sign a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board, with testing to be done at subject's own expense on an average of once a month for the duration of his probation. Furthermore, Mr. Vigil must comply with guidelines set forth by Winner's Foundation.

LATS #036

Groom **HECTOR MARTINEZ** is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1489 (h) (Engaged in the use of drugs – marijuana). Additionally, Mr. Martinez will remain on probation until February 19, 2010 and sign a testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board, with testing to be done at subject's own expense on an average of once a month for the duration of his probation. Furthermore, Mr. Martinez must comply with guidelines set forth by Winner's Foundation.

These rulings were issued after a hearing with the men regarding complaints filed against them for smoking marijuana on the Hollywood Park backstretch. Both admitted to the infraction.

02/19/09⁴**REFUND**

A refund was ordered in the third race as #8 Pemba At U.T.K. injured itself in the starting gate and was declared on the recommendation of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund amounted to \$72,185.94

02/19/09⁵**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,638	964,615.30
Inter-track	6,433	1,868,781.70
Out of state	n/a	3,581,812.33
Total	10,071	\$6,233,209.33

FRIDAY02/20/09¹**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

1st Race #8 Jimmy Two Times (Vet – sick) see minute entry of 02/20/09⁴

2nd Race #1 Dixie Meister (Vet – injured) No Show wagering, refund of \$1,403.90

6th Race #14 Gap (Also Eligible) refund of \$171.80

02/20/09²**JOCKEY EXCUSED**

Apprentice jockey Reed Saldana was excused from his mounts this afternoon due to illness. Replacement riders were named.

02/20/09³**RULING****LATS #037**

Groom **ANTULIANO QUEVEDO** is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1489 (c) (Grounds for denial or refusal of license–false statement on license application).

This ruling was issued after Mr. Quevedo responded to charges alleging falsification of his license application. Records show that he was convicted of charges dealing with the misuse of visas and other documents, serving fifty one days in jail. The charges were determined to be misdemeanors and he is not on probation. Quevedo acknowledged his mistake, but said a misunderstanding of the question prompted him to falsely note his status. His employer, Jorge Periban, came in to speak on his behalf.

02/20/09⁴**REFUND**

A refund was ordered in the first race when #2 Wickdanwakys Shapiro got its front leg over the stall door of the starting gate, and was declared on the advice of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund totaled \$32,143.06.

02/20/09⁵**MINUS POOLS**

There were two minus pools recorded during the afternoon card. The first took place in the second race when #3 Rail Trip, the overwhelming favorite at odds of 1/10, proved the easiest of winners. The shortage amounted to \$41,349.75. The second occurred in the seventh race when #3 Devoted Magic, the heavy choice at 3/5, finished second. This prompted a negative flow of \$7,558.71.

02/20/09⁶**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	7,112	1,434,496.90
Inter-track	5,815	1,651,886.80
Out of state	n/a	4,803,229.86
Total	12,927	\$7,890,229.86

SATURDAY02/21/09¹**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

2nd Race #6 Our Road Scholar (dirt only)
#10 Bachelorette One (Vet – injured) see minute entry of 02/21/09³

5th Race #1 Natural Touch (Vet – injured)
#6 Complexity (Vet – injured) refund of \$2,208.89

7th Race #2 Brian the Bold (Vet – sick) refund of \$1,408.06

8th Race #10 Brian the Brave (Vet – sick) refund of \$463.90

02/21/09²**RIDER EXCUSED**

Corey Nakatani was excused from his lone mount of the day due to illness. A replacement rider was named.

02/21/09³**REFUND**

A refund was ordered in the second race after #7 Jen's New Chapter flipped during the saddling procedure and was declared after examination by Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund totaled \$22,655.52

02/21/09⁴**MINUS POOL**

A minus pool of \$49,312.78 was created in the fourth race as #5 Georgie Boy, the prohibitive favorite at 1/2, proved an easy winner.

02/21/09⁵**REFUND**

A refund was ordered in the tenth race as #14 Noble Courage was off during warm up and declared on the advice of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund amounted to \$111,447.83

02/21/09⁶**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	10,715	2,943,381.30
Inter-track	9,545	2,895,628.50
Out of state	n/a	7,423,095.34
Total	20,260	\$13,262,105.14

SUNDAY02/22/09¹**A.M. DECLARATIONS**

1st Race #3 Exotic Story (Vet – sick) refund of \$1,665.58

3rd Race #3 Joe Carl (Vet – injured) refund of \$1,630.86

5th Race #6 Palamoun (Vet – sick) refund of \$327.30

8th Race #1 Champs Elysees (Stakes)
 #4 Artiste Royal (Stakes)
 #10 March Side (Stakes)
 #11 On Fire (Stakes) total refund of \$9,822.27

9th Race #7 I. B. Stormin (Vet – sick) refund of \$2,746.32

02/22/09²**RULING****LATS #038**

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1894 (Duties of Trainer), Trainer **GLORIA BUCKRIDGE**, is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS* (\$100.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1852 (Reporting to Receiving Barn).

This ruling was issued after the trainer accepted responsibility for her horse arriving late to the receiving Barn on 2-11-09. Ms. Buckridge said that she remained in Northern California while her groom accompanied the horse for the race. The groom told her that he had heard the twenty minute call and assumed that the five minute call was coming, as this is the procedure up North.

02/22/09³**RULING****LATS #039**

Trainer GUSTAV “GUS” HEADLEY is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS* (\$100.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1922 (Identification Required – failure to display license) and #1930 (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers – disobedience to security, refused to show license).

The preceding ruling was issued after the trainer neglected to address charges alleging failure to display his license and failure to show his license when requested by Pomona Security.

02/22/09⁴**TRAINER IN**

Trainer Uri Rafaeli was in the office this morning in response to a complaint filed against him for his part in an altercation at Fairplex with groom David Young. The allegation was that Rafaeli threw a bucket of water on Young, and then punched him.

The trainer said the two had been having problems and he was attempting to persuade Young to leave the barn. He admitted tossing water at Young when the former employee refused to vacate. He further said that contrary to the statement that he attacked Young, he was the one who was attacked. The decision is pending.

02/22/09⁵**MINUS POOL**

A minus pool of \$7,809.35 was created in the second race when #5 Lady Lumberjack, the odds-on favorite at 1/2, rewarded her backers with a hard fought victory.

02/22/09⁶**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	10,136	2,434,570.70
Inter-track	8,500	2,461,876.80
Out of state	n/a	5,466,004.73
Total	18,636	\$10,362,452.23

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'S LIST

Week of 02/16/09-02/22/09

Horses on Vet List	26
Horses off Vet List	18
Shock Wave Therapy	14
Deceased	1
Medication	5

SUMMARY

		Thurs. 02/19	Fri. 02/20	Sat. 02/21	Sun. 02/22	Week	Meet
Accidents		0	0	0	0	0	5
Cal-Bred Races		0	1	3	1	5	38
Claims		3	2	4	2	11	116
Disqualifications		0	0	0	0	0	1
Inquiries		0	0	0	0	0	17
Refunds		5	3	5	5	18	187
Rulings		2	1	0	2	5	39

Respectfully submitted,

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C. Scott Chaney, Steward

Randy Winick, Steward

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