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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, July 23, 2007 through Sunday, July 29, 2007. Steward Michael W. "Wayne" Oke was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

07/23/07 (1) Dark Day

Tuesday

07/24/07 (1) Double Draw

The race office was open today accepting entries for Friday July 27, 2007 and Saturday July 28, 2007. The draw for Friday July 27th was conducted with ninety (90) horses drawn in to compete in twelve (12) races.

In addition, seven (7) races were drawn for Saturday July 28, 2007's card. An additional five (5) races will be drawn on Thursday July 26, 2007 to complete Saturday's card.

07/24/07 (2) Dark Day

Wednesday

07/25/07 (1) Scratch Time

Scratch time for Friday July 27, 2007 was at 9:00 a.m. today. There were two (2) driver changes and no scratches.

Additionally, thirty (30) horses were drawn into six (6) qualifying races to be contested at 4:00 p.m.

07/25/07 (2) **Steward Injury – Will Meyers**

At approximately 11:00 a.m. a telephone call was received to the stewards' office concerning an injury to Steward Will Meyers. The result of a home accident. California Horse Racing Board Headquarters were contacted by Wayne Oke who was advised by Ms. Fermin (who was in the office) for Stewards Nicolo and Oke to carry on with the days duties.

07/25/07 (3) **Qualifying Races**

Six (6) qualifying races were conducted, beginning at 4:00 p.m. Twenty six (26) of thirty (30) horses were successful in their qualifying efforts.

Additionally, the horse "Real Pro K", (who suffered broken equipment in the first qualifying race), was allowed to go a workout mile in which the horse, driven by R. Plano, was successful pacing through fractions of 28 56⁴ 126² with a final time of 1.54³.

07/25/07 (4) **Ninth Race – Inquiry/No Change**

Immediately following the finish of Race #9 the stewards posted the inquiry sign to investigate an incident which occurred very near the finish line. #2 "Rich As Promised" went off-stride while battling for second position with #'s 4 and 6. After reviewing the films and the photo finish the stewards concluded that there was no violation of the breaking rule, thus no change in the official order of finish.

Official order of finish: 1-4-6-2-5-3-7-8

07/25/07 (6) **Tenth Race – Inquiry/Disqualification**

Immediately following the finish of Race #10 the stewards posted the inquiry sign to investigate an incident which involved #4 "Red Star Governor" driven by Robley Johnson, who eventually won the race. Immediately after the start #4 was observed going inside two pylons and running over a third. After very careful scrutiny of the films and consideration of the fact that Mr. Johnson was under no pressure from the outside; and that the margin of victory was a nose. The stewards concluded that #4 "Red Star Governor" gained an unfair advantage by going inside the pylons and subsequently was placed eighth (8th) or last. The following morning Driver Johnson viewed the films in the stewards' office and stated that his failure to 'pay attention' was the cause of the problem. He also had 'no problem' with the stewards' decision.

Original order of finish: 4-2-5-8-3-6-7

Official order of finish: 2-5-8-3-6-7-4

07/25/07 (7) **Program Changes**

2nd Race Declaration - #4 "R T Nikey" – Trainer J. MacDonell

Refund: \$0

Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

6th Race Declaration - #6 "Corrigal N" – Trainer R. Plano

Refund: \$3

Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

07/25/07 (8)	<u>Attendance and Handle</u>	
	Attendance	150
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$48,596.50
	Handle (In State)	\$387,559.60
	Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$193,167.66</u>
	Total Handle	\$629,323.86

Thursday

07/26/07 (1) **Third Race – Inquiry/No Change**

Immediately following the finish of Race #3 the stewards posted the inquiry sign and flashed the number of second (2nd) place finisher #6 “Flabbergasted Too”, driven by John Chappell. In late stretch #6 struck two (2) pylons. After review of films and telephone conversations with Driver Chappell and Rich Wojcio, driver of #1 “Wooski”, it was determined that #6 was forced into the pylons by outside pressure from #1 and no change was warranted. Driver Wojcio will review films with the stewards tomorrow, July 27, 2007.

07/26/07 (2) **Fourth Race – Claim**

#5 “Devilish Donnie” was claimed for \$3,000.00. The owner will be R. Stidham and trained by R. Stidham.

07/26/07 (3) **Program Changes**

There were no program changes today.

07/26/07 (4) **Attendance and Handle**

	Attendance	317
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$42,227.80
	Handle (In State)	\$268,071.80
	Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$181,102.20</u>
	Total Handle	\$491,401.80

Friday

07/27/07 (1) **Eighth Race – Inquiry/Disqualification**

Immediately following the running of Race #8 the stewards posted the ‘inquiry’ sign to investigate the stretch and finish of #2 “Flash The Sign” for a possible violation of the breaking rule (Failure to Lose Ground While on a Break). The stewards, after viewing films of the race, confirmed that #2 was in violation of the breaking rule. #2 finished sixth (6th), was placed eighth (8th) for this infraction.

Original order of finish: 7-5-8-4-1-2-3-9

Official order of finish: 7-5-8-4-1-3-9-2

07/27/07 (2) **Eleventh Race – Inquiry/Disqualification**

Immediately after the running of Race #11 the stewards posted the ‘inquiry’ sign to investigate an incident at the finish when #9 “Mainly Hannah” appeared to go offstride ‘while lapped on’ by #7 “Four Winds” and #8 “Oh Semite Sam”. After viewing films and examining the photo finish, the stewards concluded that #9 was off-stride at the wire and was lapped on by #7 and #8. #9, who finished fourth (4th), was disqualified and placed sixth (6th) for ‘violation of the breaking rule’ (Offstride at the Finish While Lapped on).

Original order of finish: 3-2-6-9-8-7-5-1-4

Official order of finish: 3-2-6-8-7-9-5-1-4

07/27/07 (3) **Financial Responsibility Hearing/Stacey White – Lester Smith**

After much conflicting testimony the stewards were able to negotiate a “Stipulated Agreement” involving an exchange of property (i.e. a horse and a horse trailer) and the matter was resolved and Mr. White’s license privileges restored.

07/27/07 (4) **Re-Hearing David Siegel/Driving Suspension**

A formal hearing was held led by Steward Will Meyers. Also in attendance were Stewards Paul Nicolo and Wayne Oke, along with Trainer/Driver Lou Pena (called as a witness by the stewards) and Driver David Siegel.

After viewing films and hearing testimony, the stewards unanimously upheld the previous ‘two day driving suspension’. See Ruling #147.

07/27/07 (5) **R. Wojcio/Film Review**

Driver R. Wojcio visited with the stewards concerning an incident mid stretch where #1 “Wooski”, driven by Wojcio appeared to bear in, forcing #6 “Spring Bloomers” to check briefly. Mr. Wojcio’s explanation that his horse was a green two year old filly, making her first pari mutuel start, was quite plausible and the stewards concluded that no penalty was warranted.

07/27/07 (6) **Program Changes**

8th Race Declaration - #6 “Bluebird Electric” – Trainer J. Waltenburgh

Refund: \$68.50

Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

12th Race Declaration - #3 “Mow Em Down” – Trainer N. Casale

Refund: \$45.60

Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

07/27/07 (7) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	608
Live Handle (On Track)	\$64,026.30
Handle (In State)	\$474,035.60
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$332,974.75</u>
Total Handle	\$871,036.65

Saturday

07/28/07 (1)

Third Race – Inquiry/No Change

The stewards posted the inquiry immediately following the finish of Race #3, involving the finish of #1 “Challenge The King”, the winner. #1 broke stride at the head of the stretch, regained his stride and went on to win the race. After reviewing the films and speaking to the starter, the stewards determined that #1 appeared to shy from the whip of Driver J. McKeon, driving “Southwind Sierra”. However #1 and R. Plano complied with the ‘breaking rule’, so no change in the order of finish was necessary. Additionally, the stewards determined that #1 suffered broken equipment (broken go straight) while on a break and the broken equipment was not a factor in the original break in stride. Also it was determined that Driver J. McKeon’s actions with his whip were completely in accordance with the applicable rules.

07/28/07 (2)

Fifth Race – Claim

#6 “Tillie Vic” was claimed for \$3,000.00. The owner will be D. Siegel and trained by L. Pena

07/28/07 (3)

Tenth Race – Claim

#1 “N V Warlord” was claimed for \$10,000.00. The owner will be G. Pistochini and trained by G. Herrera.

07/28/07 (4)

Eleventh Race - Driver Change

#6 “Rompaaway Vincent” – changed from R. Bertrand to Katie Scott – Race office error.

07/28/07 (5)

Twelfth Race – Inquiry/Disqualification

During the running of Race #12 the stewards posted the inquiry to investigate an incident which occurred as the field was approaching the 1/4 mile pole. #6 “Allata Collada”, driven by George Luster, had assumed the lead, at this point he took up abruptly, causing confusion among the remainder of the field. After reviewing the films and speaking with Driver Luster the stewards determined that Driver Luster had ‘taken up abruptly causing confusion among trailing horses’. #6, who finished fourth (4th), was disqualified and placed seventh (7th) for this violation. Driver Luster will meet with the stewards to discuss this incident on Thursday August 2, 2007. More to follow.

Original order of finish: 5-4-1-6-2-3-7

Official order of finish: 5-4-1-2-3-7-6

07/2807 (6)

Program Changes

3rd Race Declaration - #5 “Kellie’s Liberty” – Trainer R. Bertrand

Refund: \$2 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

6th Race Declaration - #6 “My Mighty Nightie” – Trainer L. Pena

Refund: \$9 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

8th Race Declaration - #7 “Adora” – Trainer L. Pena

Refund: \$15.20 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

12th Race Declaration - #8 “Sonic Boom” – Trainer Rocky Stidham

Refund: \$0 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

07/28/07 (7)	<u>Attendance and Handle</u>	
	Attendance	912
	Live Handle (On Track)	\$64,460.90
	Handle (In State)	\$449,544.00
	Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$289,670.94</u>
	Total Handle	\$803,675.84

RULINGS ISSUED THIS WEEK

- 07/25/07 144 Trainer Lou Pena, who raced “Paul The Powerful” in the Twelfth Race on Saturday July 21, 2007, is hereby fined the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Late Leaving Paddock).
- 07/25/07 145 Driver Jason Maier, who drove “Fitch Inter Letrado” in the Twelfth Race on Saturday July 21, 2007, is hereby fined the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1530 (Cases Not Covered – Late Leaving Paddock).
- 07/26/07 146 Trainer Edgar Clarke, who started “Hanover County” in the Ninth Race on Monday, May 01, 2007 and in the Ninth Race on Monday May 08, 2007 At Pocono Downs, Wilkes-Barre, Pa, additionally started the horse “Goaheadandlietome” at Pocono Downs, Wilkes-Barre, PA on Friday May 18, 2007, on Saturday May 26, 2007, on Tuesday June 05, 2007 and Tuesday June 12, 2007, is hereby fined the sum of Six Thousand (\$6,000) Dollars and Suspended for a period of Sixty (60) Days commencing July 31, 2007 through and including September 28, 2007 for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1663 (B) (Entry of Claimed Horse).
- “Hanover County” was last claimed January 06, 2007 At Cal-Expo Racetrack and, per California Horse Racing Board Rule #1663 (B), would not be eligible to race in any State other than California until Sixty (60) Days after the close of the Meet (July 28, 2007) except in Stake Races.
- “Goaheadandlietome” was last claimed January 04, 2007 at Cal-Expo Racetrack and, per California Horse Racing Board Rule #1663 (B), would not be eligible to race in any State other than California until Sixty (60) Days after the close of the Meet (July 28, 2007) Except in Stake Races.
- 07/27/07 147 Driver David Siegel, who drove “Steady As A Rock” in the Eleventh Race on Thursday, July 12, 2007, is hereby Suspended Two (2)* Racing Days Friday August 03, 2007 and Saturday, August 04, 2007 for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1721 (D) (K) (Driving Rules – Swerving In and Out – Reckless Driving).

W E E K L Y S U M M A R Y

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 RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
25-Jul	2	4	R T NIKEY	MACDONELL	Injured	Goodbary	\$0.00
	6	6	CORRIGAL	PLANO	Injured	Goodbary	\$3.00
27-Jul	8	6	BLUEBIRD ELECTRIC	WALTENBURGH	Injured	Goodbary	\$68.50
	12	3	MOW EM DOWN	CASALE	Injured	Goodbary	\$45.60
28-Jul	3	5	KELLIE'S LIBERTY	BERTRAND	Injured	Goodbary	\$2.00
	6	6	MY MIGHTY NIGHTIE	PENA	Injured	Goodbary	\$9.00
	8	7	ADORA	PENA	Injured	Goodbary	\$15.20
	12	8	SONIC BOOM	STIDHAM	Injured	Goodbary	\$0.00

WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Bakersfield	\$	11,422.10
Bay Meadows	\$	89,793.20
Eureka	\$	-
Fresno	\$	6,171.60
Fresno Club One	\$	5,238.00
Golden Gate	\$	56,490.30
Monterey	\$	13,218.80
Pleasanton	\$	38,606.20
Sacramento	\$	180,006.90
San Jose	\$	55,703.40
Santa Rosa	\$	-
Stockton	\$	31,505.80
Tulare	\$	2,210.10
Turlock	\$	340.00
Vallejo	\$	29,472.70
Racing Fairs	\$	27,484.10
So. California	\$	38,722.30
Out of State	\$	996,915.55

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SUMMARY

2007

	Mon 07/23	Tues 07/24	Wed 07/25	Thurs 07/26	Fri 07/27	Sat 07/28	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	0	0	0	0	0	2
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	0	0	0	0	0	14
Claims	R	R	1	1	0	2	4	154
Disqualification's	K	K	1	0	2	1	4	78
Inquiries	D	D	2	1	2	2	7	141
Refunds	A	A	1	0	2	3	6	302
Rulings	Y	Y	2	1	1	0	4	147

Stewards Attendance: Stewards Oke, Nicolo and Meyers were in attendance.

All drivers submitted to a breathalyzer test.

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

Paul Nicolo, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward