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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, August 20, 2007 through Sunday, August 26, 2007. Steward Michael W. "Wayne" Oke was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

Monday

08/20/07 (1) **Dark Day**

Tuesday

08/21/07 (1) **Double Entry/Draw for Friday and Sunday**

The race office was open today accepting entries for Friday, August 24 and Saturday, August 25, 2007. The draw for Friday August 24, 2007 was conducted with ninety-three (93) horses drawing in to twelve (12) races. Scratch time for Friday's races is Wednesday August 22, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. The complete card for Saturday August 25, 2007 will be drawn on Thursday, August 23, 2007.

08/21/07 (2) **"Cat Burglar" – Gelding/Filly**

Further inquiries in to this situation have revealed that this horse was mistakenly registered as a 'gelding' with the United States Trotting Association (USTA).

However, at the time this horse was identified, tattooed and DNA tested, it was correctly identified as a 'filly' by Technician Bill Vallandingham.

08/21/07 (2) continued

This horse has, at this point, been properly identified as a filly and all official records have been changed to reflect the change. This horse was bred and is currently owned by Desomer Stables, trained by Vicki Desomer.

Senior Special Investigator Marty Snezek has been provided copies of the documents in question and will investigate further.

08/21/07 (3) **Identification Procedures**

In light of recent problems in the identification process, these procedures have been refined and 'tightened up' considerably.

08/21/07 (4) **Dark Day**

Wednesday

08/22/07 (1) **Scratch Time**

Scratch time for Friday August 24, 2007 was at 9:00 a.m. today. There were no scratches and five (5) driver changes.

Additionally, thirty three (33) horses were drawn to compete in six (6) qualifying races commencing at 4:30 p.m.

08/22/07 (2) **Qualifying Races**

Six (6) qualifying races were contested at 4:30 p.m. under the supervision of Stewards Meyers and McClaren. Twenty four (24) horses were successful in their qualifying attempts.

08/22/07 (3) **First Race – Driver Communication/Sanction**

Immediately after the running of Race #1, the stewards were in telephone contact with Driver R. Plano (the driver of #6 "Nextopmodel") concerning the start of the race, when #6 was 'off the gate'. Driver Plano offered no acceptable explanation for the situation; Driver Plano was fined One Hundred (\$100) Dollars for 'Failing to Come Up into Position'. Driver Plano accepted the sanction and stated "He would attempt to avoid further happenings of this nature".

08/22/07 (4) **Program Changes**

4th Race Declaration - #4 "Butterscotch Vicki" – Trainer S. Wiseman
 Refund: \$0 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

08/22/07 (5) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	250
Live Handle (On Track)	\$54,834.00
Handle (In State)	\$345,498.70
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$228,405.76</u>
Total Handle	\$628,738.46

Thursday**08/23/07 (1) Draw/Entries/Saturday 07/25/07**

Entries were taken and the draw conducted for Saturday August 25, 2007. Scratch time was at the draw. There were ninety seven (97) entered to compete in twelve (12) races.

08/23/07 (2) First Race – Starter’s List

After this contest, and after consulting with Starter Bill Vallandingham, the stewards contacted Driver/Trainer R. Plano by telephone and informed him that the horse “Cast British” was being placed on the ‘Starters List’. The horse must be ‘schooled’ and approved by the Starter before re-entry.

The horse was rank and bad gaited behind the gate and Driver Plano did an exceptional job in getting the horse away without breaking stride. Driver Plano concurred with this decision.

08/23/07 (3) Fifth Race – Claim

#4 “Credible Preciosa” was claimed for \$4,200.00. The owner will be F. Navarrez and the trainer will be J. Ramirez.

08/23/07 (4) Seventh Race – Claim

#6 “Something New” was claimed for \$12,000.00. The owner will be Mary Ann Plano and the trainer will be R. Plano.

08/23/07 (5) Program Changes

1st Race Program Correction - #1 “Cast British” – Trainer R. Plano
Claiming price should be \$13,600

4th Race Declaration - #3 “Little Tracer” – Trainer Leon Smith
Refund: \$2 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

4th Race Declaration - #5 “Entomologist” – Trainer R. Johnson
Refund: \$2 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

08/23/07 (6) Attendance and Handle

Attendance	250
Live Handle (On Track)	\$36,932.90
Handle (In State)	\$233,336.90
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$208,425.50</u>
Total Handle	\$475,695.30

Friday

08/24/07 (1)

Second Race – Inquiry/Disqualification/Sanction

The inquiry sign was posted immediately following the second race to investigate the stretch drive during which #7 “Little Rocknroll”, driven by S. Hyman, appeared to go inside multiple pylons in order to improve his position. After reviewing the films the stewards unanimously concluded that #7 was indeed in violation of the pylon rule. #7 finished fifth (5th) was placed eighth (8th) for violation of the pylon rule. Consequently, Driver Hyman was sanctioned for violation of the pylon rule. See Ruling #17.

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

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

08/24/07 (2)

Second Race – “Jungle Girl” – Tattoo #/Investigation

The winner of this race, #2 “Jungle Girl”, was sent to the test barn after this race for routine testing.

The stewards were contacted by State Veterinarian Dr. Robert Goodbary communicating that there was a potential problem with the tattoo number/freeze brand on “Jungle Girl”. It was determined that this horse was originally tattooed incorrectly. However the tattoo #/freeze brand had been corrected using procedures approved by the USTA. The problem occurred when the information transmitted to Dr. Goodbary by Identifier Carl Sobey did not reflect the updated information. This horse was bred and is currently owned by Desomer Stables, trained by Vicki Desomer.

Senior Special Investigator Marty Snezek is aware of the situation and will investigate further.

08/24/07 (3)

Driver Changes – Races 3 & 5

Driver Luke Plano was late arriving for his driving due to flight delays necessitating the following driver changes:

3rd Race - #8 “Diamondback Jack” – changed to R. Kuebler

5th Race - #6 “Tens Hanover” – changed to T. Maier

See Ruling #18

08/24/07 (4)

Program Changes

1st Race Declaration - #1 “Nine K” – Trainer Vickie Desomer

Refund: \$14 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

4th Race Declaration - #4 “I Look Special” – Trainer L. Pena

Refund: \$0 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

7th Race Declaration - #6 “Pleasecashmybet” – Trainer Tom Wine II

Refund: \$9 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

08/24/07 (5)

Attendance and Handle

Attendance	350
Live Handle (On Track)	\$50,017.30
Handle (In State)	\$488,703.70
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$393,341.06</u>
Total Handle	\$932,062.06

Saturday

08/25/07 (1)

Double Draw

The race office was open this morning taking entries for Wednesday, August 29, 2007 and Thursday August 30, 2007. For Wednesday August 29, 2007 there were eighty three (83) horses to compete in ten (10) races. For Thursday, August 30, 2007 there were eighty three (83) horses to compete in ten (10) races. Scratch time for both days is today at 8:00 p.m. For Wednesday's card there is one (1) scratch and three (3) driver changes. For Thursday's card there were no scratches and two (2) driver changes.

08/25/07 (2)

Trainer McConnell Telephone Call

Trainer McConnell was in telephone contact with the stewards and acknowledged her responsibility under the 'Trainer Responsibility' rule. The horse competed on July 28, 2007 in Race #5 at Cal-Expo. Routine testing revealed a reading for Flunixin (Banamine). This was Ms. McConnell's first violation this year. She was assessed and accepted a Three Hundred (\$300) Dollar fine. She stated that after consulting with Dr. R. Goodbary, they had determined how this violation occurred and that she was taking steps to avoid a recurrence. See Ruling #19.

08/25/07 (3)

Twelfth Race – Double Inquiry/Refund/No Change

Prior to the start of Race #12 the inquiry sign was flashed owing to the fact that #6 "Cautious Spirit N" refused the starting gate. It was determined at the conclusion of the race that #6 would be considered a non starter and all monies wagered would be refunded. #6 "Cautious Spirit" was placed on the stewards' list and will be required to qualify before re-entry. This scratch resulted in a refund of \$1,114.20.

A second inquiry was necessitated by some close quarters racing at the head of the stretch between #8 "Chicote", driven by R. Kuebler, and the eventual winner #7 "Go Minnie O", driven by Katie Scott. After reviewing the films and speaking to both drivers it was determined that no change was warranted. Driver Scott will review films with the stewards Thursday August 30, 2007.

08/25/07 (4)

Program Changes

3 rd Race Declaration - #4 "Spin Reel" – Trainer Darren Lupul	
Refund: \$24	Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary
12 th Race Declaration - #3 "Cicely Coe" – Trainer Elizabeth Foley	
Refund: \$0	Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary
	#5 "Great Adventure" – Trainer J. Perez
Refund: \$0	Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

08/25/07 (5)

Attendance and Handle

Attendance	1,430
Live Handle (On Track)	\$63,148.90
Handle (In State)	\$465,791.10
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$287,508.50</u>
Total Handle	\$816,448.50

RULINGS ISSUED THIS WEEK

- 08/22/07 14 Driver Robley Johnson, who drove “Cam’s Gidget” in the Second Race on Saturday August 18, 2007 is hereby fined the sum of One Hundred (\$100) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1731 (G) (Starting Rules – Failure to Come Up into Position).
- 08/22/07 15 Driver Sabrina Shaw, who drove “My Formula” in the Twelfth Race on Saturday August 18, 2007 is hereby fined the sum of One Hundred (\$100) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1731 (G) (Starting Rules – Failure to Come Up into Position).
- 08/23/07 16 Driver Rick Plano, who drove “Nextopmodel” in the First Race on Wednesday August 22, 2007 is hereby fined the sum of One Hundred (\$100) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1731 (G) (Starting Rules – Failure to Come Up into Position).
- 08/25/07 17 Driver Steve Hyman, who drove “Little Rocknroll” in the Second Race on Friday August 24, 2007, is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1721 (K) (Driving Rules – Careless Driving – Raced Inside Multiple Pylons in the Stretch Resulting in a Disqualification – Unfair Advantage).
- 08/25/07 18 Driver Luke Plano is hereby fined the sum of One Hundred (\$100) Dollars for failure to fulfill his driving engagements on Friday August 24, 2007. A violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey (Driver) Agreement).
- 08/25/07 19 Trainer Tricia McConnell, who started “Giveherthecredit” in the Third Race on July 28, 2007, at Cal-Expo, is hereby fined the sum of Three Hundred (\$300) Dollars Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1843 (D) (Medications, Drugs and Other Substances – Flunixin 193 Ng/MI in Excess of Permitted Level [Class VI]).

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
22-Aug	4	4	BUTTERSCOTCH VICKI	WISEMAN	Injured	Goodbary	\$0.00
23-Aug	4	3	LITTLE TRACKER	SMITH	Injured	Goodbary	\$2.00
	4	5	ENTOMOLOGIST	JOHNSON	Injured	Goodbary	\$2.00
24-Aug	1	1	NINE K	DESOMER	Injured	Goodbary	\$14.00
	4	4	I LOOK SPECIAL	PENA	Injured	Goodbary	\$0.00
	7	6	PLEASECASHMYBET	WINE II	Injured	Goodbary	\$9.00
25-Aug	3	4	SPIN REEL	LUPUL	Injured	Goodbary	\$24.00
	12	3	CICELY COE	FOLEY	Injured	Goodbary	\$0.00
	12	5	GREAT ADVENTURE	PEREZ	Injured	Goodbary	\$0.00

WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Bakersfield	\$	10,001.60
Bay Meadows	\$	95,342.30
Eureka	\$	-
Fresno	\$	7,627.00
Fresno Club One	\$	4,928.00
Golden Gate	\$	65,649.30
Monterey	\$	10,286.40
Pleasanton	\$	43,627.60
Sacramento	\$	176,063.10
San Jose	\$	56,781.60
Santa Rosa	\$	12,255.10
Stockton	\$	34,798.70
Tulare	\$	1,504.90
Turlock	\$	8.00
Vallejo	\$	26,088.10
Racing Fairs	\$	-
So. California	\$	30,179.00
Out of State	\$	1,117,680.82

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SUMMARY

2007/2008

	Mon 08/20	Tues 08/21	Wed 08/22	Thurs 08/23	Fri 08/24	Sat 08/25	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	0	0	0	0	0	0
Claims	R	R	0	2	0	0	2	9
Disqualification's	K	K	0	0	1	0	1	4
Inquiries	D	D	0	0	1	2	3	11
Refunds	A	A	1	2	3	3	9	26
Rulings	Y	Y	2	1	0	3	6	19

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

All drivers submitted to a breathalyzer test.

Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward

Brent McClaren, Steward