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## SACRAMENTO HARNESS ASSOCIATION

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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, September 10, 2007 through Sunday, September 16, 2007. Steward Will Meyers was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

### Monday

09/10/07 (1) **Dark Day**

### Tuesday

09/11/07 (1) **Entries for Friday**

One (1) early non-wagering Sire Stake and fourteen (14) wagering races are on tap for Friday. One hundred eighteen (118) horses are scheduled to compete. Two (2) Cal-Bred Sire Stakes are carded.

09/11/07 (2) **Accident Reports – Refer to 09/08/07 (4)**

The accident reports from Saturday's Thirteenth Race are complete and will be distributed Wednesday.

09/11/07 (3) **Gelding**

"Cowboy Hanover" (Trainer Rick Plano) was listed in the program as a colt but was reported and announced as a gelding by Identifier Carl Sobey. After investigating the matter, Senior Special Investigator Martin Snezek determined that neither the trainer nor racing office made the error. The USTA computer system had failed to pick up the change when reported.

09/11/07 (4) **Dark Day**

**Wednesday**

09/12/07 (1)

**Entries for Saturday**

Ninety six (96) horses are entered for Saturday's fourteen (14) race card. Two (2) Cal-Bred Sire Stakes are on tap.

09/12/07 (2)

**Dark Day****Thursday**

09/13/07 (1)

**Qualifiers**

Seven (7) races had thirty nine (39) horses compete. Thirty three (33) made the grade.

09/13/07 (2)

**Stepien Ruling – Case #07SW-0066****Ruling # 27**

Trainer Robert Stepien, who started "The Gangster" in the Fourth Race on Wednesday August 15, 2007, at Sacramento Harness Association, 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 – "Phenylbutazone" 6.74 Ug/MI in Excess of Permitted Level [Class VI]).

The above ruling was issued after Stepien plead guilty. He felt it was his mistake for using crushed Bute in the feed and failing to pull the tubs in a timely manner. He assumes the horse in question ate late.

09/13/07 (3)

**Stanley and Arthur**

EMD Rick Arthur and Head of Maddy Laboratory Scott Stanley were on hand to draw bloods on random out of competition horses. The actions are to check for possible EPO violations.

09/13/07 (4)

**Eighth Race – Inquiry/No Change**

#9 "Cam's Gidget" (Robley Johnson) went off stride at the wire, finishing second (2<sup>nd</sup>). After review it was determined that no other horses were lapped on or interfered with, so no change was ordered.

09/13/07 (5)

**Eighth Race – Wrong Horse/Late Declaration**

"Bundle of Dreams" was scheduled to race for Trainer Dario Solares in the eighth race. His help brought the wrong horse to the paddock and after a call from Identifier Carl Sobey, the horse was scratched. Solares accepted the following ruling for the barn's mistake:

**Ruling # 28**

Trainer Dario Solares, who was scheduled to race "Bundle Of Dreams" in the Eighth Race on Thursday September 13, 2007, is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – Failed to Bring Proper Horse to Paddock).

- 09/13/07 (6) **Program Changes**  
 7<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #10 “Fancy Dreamer” – Trainer Tricia McConnell  
 Refund: \$0 Sick – Dr. Goodbary  
 8<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #3 “Bundle of Dreams” – Trainer Dario Solares  
 Refund: \$0 Wrong Horse – Stewards  
 9<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #2 “Tillie Vic” – Trainer Lou Pena  
 Refund: \$3 Injured – Dr. Goodbary

09/13/07 (7) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	235
Live Handle (On Track)	\$31,527.00
Handle (In State)	\$291,806.20
Handle (Out of State)	<u>\$226,953.50</u>
Total Handle	\$550,286.70

**Friday**

- 09/14/07 (1) **Drivers In**  
 Drivers Gilbert Herrera and Steve Wiseman were in to review races from last night. Both were warned to make better efforts to place their horses better in the first turn.
- 09/14/07 (2) **Early Non-Betting Race – Inquiry/No Change**  
 Three (3) horses went off stride in the six (6) horse non-wagering sire stakes. The inquiry sign was posted to make sure all horses and drivers complied with the breaking rules and no interference occurred. All was clean. No change.
- 09/14/07 (3) **Seventh Race – Bad Numbers**  
 The program listed #1,#1A,#2,#3,#4,#5,#6 and #8, omitting the #7. All horses were listed in the proper order so it was only necessary to treat the #7 as a scratch. No problems occurred from the glitch. The investigative staff is looking into the possible office personnel responsible.
- 09/14/07 (4) **Thirteenth Race – Inquiry/Disqualification/Objection – Not Allowed**  
 Driver Harold Herrera lodged a claim of foul against #4 “Silver Rocket” and Driver Rick Plano for allegedly cutting him off at the half mile pole, causing his horse “Liner” to break. After review it was determined that no interference had occurred at the point in question and upon further review, Herrera was actually guilty of pulling late on Plano and “Silver Rocket” after the first quarter. Herrera was ordered to the stewards’ office. No change.

In a separate instance #8 “Four Winds”, driven by Chris Hernandez, raced inside the pylon line while passing a competitor in the stretch, ending up fourth (4<sup>th</sup>). #8 was placed last for the infraction. Hernandez will be in to see the stewards tomorrow.

- 09/14/07 (5) **Program Changes**  
 11<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #1 "Mister Man" – Trainer Lou Pena  
 Refund: \$0                      Stewards – Ineligible  
 13<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #6 "Green And Gold" – Trainer Rocky Stidham  
 Refund: \$2.60                  Injured – Dr. Goodbary

- 09/14/07 (6) **Attendance and Handle**
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|------------------------|---------------------|
| Attendance             | 444                 |
| Live Handle (On Track) | \$47,124.50         |
| Handle (In State)      | \$514,161.50        |
| Handle (Out of State)  | <u>\$390,300.74</u> |
| Total Handle           | \$951,586.74        |

**Saturday**

- 09/15/07 (1) **Pena Ruling**

**Ruling # 30**

Trainer Lou Pena is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars for submitting a late declaration on "Mister Man" in the Eleventh Race on September 14, 2007. A violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1894 (Duties of Trainer – Late Declaration)

The above ruling was issued after Pena and Owner David Siegel had contacted the stewards requesting a stewards' scratch. The horse "Mister Man" was not eligible to race until next week, according to Saratoga's (New York) claiming rule. The horse was allowed to scratch, but the trainer is held responsible for the late declaration.

- 09/15/07 (2) **Harold Herrera Ruling**

**Ruling # 31**

Driver Harold Herrera, who drove "Liner" in the Thirteenth Race On Friday September 14, 2007, is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1721 (I) (Driving Rules – Pulled Late – Forced #4 "Silver Rocket" Three Wide Past the Quarter Pole).

The above ruling was issued for Herrera's action in the thirteenth race last night.

- 09/15/07 (3) **Hernandez Ruling**

**Ruling # 29**

Driver Chris Hernandez, who drove "Four Winds" in the Thirteenth Race on Friday September 14, 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 Pylons in Order to

Pass a Competitor in the Stretch Resulting in a Disqualification – Unfair Advantage)

The above ruling was issued after Hernandez appeared and admitted to the pylon violation. He stated that he had gotten himself in a bad spot and had a full head of steam with no room, so he had no choice but to come up the inside. He apologized and said he would make a better effort in the future.

- 09/15/07 (4) **First Race – No Show Wagering**  
#4 “Stars And Sites” (Trainer Bruce Clarke), the prohibitive one to five morning line favorite, was scratched due to injury, reducing the trotting sire stake for two year olds to four (4) horses. Show wagering was cancelled.
- 09/15/07 (5) **Second Race – Inquiry/No Change**  
The inquiry sign was posted to review a possible breaking rule violation by second (2<sup>nd</sup>) place finisher #4 “Bronte Ana’s Boy”. #4 complied with the breaking rules. No change.
- 09/15/07 (6) **Seventh Race – Inquiry/Disqualification**  
#2 “Lulu’s Dreamer” (Gilbert Garcia-Herrera) went off stride in deep stretch and through the finish, ending up fifth (5<sup>th</sup>). #6 “Rumors Are Flying” was ‘lapped on’ at the wire, finishing sixth (6<sup>th</sup>). #2 was placed sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) behind #6 for the violation.
- 09/15/07 (7) **Program Changes**  
1<sup>st</sup> Race Declaration - #5 “Stars And Sites” – Trainer B. Clarke  
Refund: \$37                      Injured – Dr. Goodbary  
3<sup>rd</sup> Race Declaration - #7 “Arizona Cactus” – Trainer F. Petrelli  
Refund: \$0                        Ownership Problems – Stewards  
8<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #7 “Red Star Billy” – Trainer J. Waltenburgh  
Refund: \$0                        Injured – Dr. Goodbary  
11<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #1 “Elegant Emma” – Trainer B. Wolin  
Refund: \$13                       Injured – Dr. Goodbary  
14<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #3 “Mighty Killeen” – Trainer L. Pena  
Refund: \$0                        Injured – Dr. Goodbary
- 09/15/07 (8) **Attendance and Handle**
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|------------------------|---------------------|
| Attendance             | 736                 |
| Live Handle (On Track) | \$56,593.70         |
| Handle (In State)      | \$497,753.00        |
| Handle (Out of State)  | <u>\$289,000.20</u> |
| Total Handle           | \$843,385.00        |

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## 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
13-Sep	7	10	FANCY DREAMER	MCCONNELL	Sick	Goodbary	\$0.00
	9	2	TILLIE VIC	PENA	Injured	Goodbary	\$3.00
14-Sep	13	6	GREEN AND GOLD	STIDHAM	Injured	Goodbary	\$2.60
14-Sep	1	5	STARS AND SITES	CLARKE	Injured	Goodbary	\$37.00
	8	7	RED STAR BILLY	WALTENBURGH	Injured	Goodbary	\$0.00
	11	1	ELEGANT EMMA	WOLIN	Injured	Goodbary	\$13.00
	14	3	MIGHTY KILLEAN	PENA	Injured	Goodbary	\$0.00

**WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES**

Bakersfield	\$	7,477.20
Bay Meadows	\$	89,374.00
Eureka	\$	-
Fresno	\$	3,665.10
Fresno Club One	\$	4,148.00
Golden Gate	\$	60,996.10
Monterey	\$	10,191.40
Pleasanton	\$	33,026.60
Sacramento	\$	115,261.20
San Jose	\$	45,918.10
Santa Rosa	\$	12,563.40
Stockton	\$	23,130.20
Tulare	\$	1,464.70
Turlock	\$	2.00
Vallejo	\$	22,739.30
Racing Fairs	\$	-
So. California	\$	-
Out of State	\$	906,254.44

**SACRAMENTO HARNESS ASSOCIATION****SUMMARY****2007/2008**

	<b>Mon 09/10</b>	<b>Tues 09/11</b>	<b>Wed 09/12</b>	<b>Thurs 09/13</b>	<b>Fri 09/14</b>	<b>Sat 09/15</b>	<b>Total Week</b>	<b>Total Meet</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Claims</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Disqualification's</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Inquiries</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>25</b>

<b>Refunds</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Rulings</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>31</b>

**Stewards Attendance: Stewards Meyers, Baker and Oke were in attendance.**

**All drivers submitted to a breathalyzer test.**

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**Will Meyers, Steward**

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**Grant Baker, Steward**

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**Michael W. "Wayne" Oke, Steward**