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Report of the Board of Stewards
To the California Horse Racing Board

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Report for the period Wednesday, September 2, 2009 through Monday, September 7, 2009.

Wednesday

09-02-09¹ **RULING NO. 10 – VILLALOBOS**

Jockey **CARLOS VILLALOBOS**, who was scheduled to ride IB THE SONOFTHEBEST in the second race on Sunday, August 30, 2009, is hereby fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1683 (Maximum Overweight) causing a late rider change.

The above ruling was issued after Carlos appeared and stated he was unable to get his weight down. He said he would try and get it down by Wednesday. He was warned that he may be fined again and refused further naming on.

09-02-09² **RULING NO. 11 – ALVARADO**

Jockey **FRANK ALVARADO**, who rode **VALIMORE** in the tenth race at the California State Fair (Sacramento) on Sunday, August 30, 2009, is suspended five (5) racing days (September 9, 11, 12, 13 and 17, 2009) for altering course without sufficient clearance and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules – careless riding).

The term of this suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Alvarado appeared and admitted to correcting his mount late at the start causing a rival to clip heels.

09-02-09³ **WOOTEN APPEAL DROPPED – Ruling No. 12**

Having withdrawn his appeal of Ruling #5, issued at the Humboldt County Fair on August 15, 2009:

Jockey **JAMES WOOTEN, JR.**, who rode **LUCKY TO BE A RIOT** in the seventh race at Humboldt County Fair on Friday, August 14, 2009, is suspended three (3) racing days (September 11, 12 and 13, 2009) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to second; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules – careless riding).

The term of this suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California.

The above ruling was issued after Wooten appeared for his appeal hearing and dropped his appeal. Steward Dennis Nevin was at the hearing ready to defend the stewards' ruling.

09-02-09⁴ **RULING NO. 13 – ROMERO**

Jockey **HECTOR ROMERO**, who rode **BELLENIE** in the eighth race at the California State Fair (Sacramento) on Sunday, August 30, 2009, is suspended three (3) racing days (September 9, 11 and 12, 2009) for failure to make the proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from second to fourth; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding).

The term of this suspension shall no prohibit participation in designated races in California.

The above ruling was issued after Hector appeared and admitted that he should have put his whip away and straightened his mount in a quicker fashion.

09-02-09⁵ **EIGHT MINUTE DELAY – MULES – First Race**

An eight minute delay occurred when #2 GUCCIS N DIAMONDS (Tr. Ray Thomas) suffered broken equipment which was fixed at the starting gate.

09-02-09⁶ **ACCIDENT – MULES – First Race**

#1 BAR JF BOLD THUNDER unseated jockey **Jeff Skultin**. Both rider and mule appeared uninjured. An accident report will be attached.

09-02-09⁷ **VOID CLAIM – Sixth Race**

JOHN MARTIN submitted a claim for #7 MOTORBOAT. Unfortunately the horse's name was spelled MOTERBOAT on the claim form and was voided.

09-02-09⁸ **INQUIRY – NO CHANGE – Eighth Race**

The inquiry sign was lit to review the start of the eighth race concerning #8 HIGHDEVILISH. #8 got left at the gate and after review it was determined that the gate opened properly and no interference occurred. No Change.

09-02-09⁹ **LATE DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

4 th race:	#4 REAL SKY	(Tr. Frances Henderson)	unsound	
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND:	\$28,528.10
5 th race:	#3 SMOKERETTO	(Tr. Alex Sywak)	injured	
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND:	\$ 74.00
	#5 RED NECK GAL	(Tr. Keith Bennett)	sick	
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND:	\$ 465.90

6 th race: #6 TOLL FREE	(Tr. Kelly Bainum)	injured	
Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$	178.70
7 th race: #7 FEELINGS	(Tr. Doug Utley)	sick	
Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$	252.40

09-02-09¹⁰ **JOCKEY CHANGES**

1st race - Genaro Tapia for Carlos Villalobos – overweight
 8th race - Pablo Flores for Jorge Ayarza – no show
 Michael Martinez for Francisco Duran – family emergency

09-02-09¹¹ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

CSF	3,141	\$	171,455.40
NCOT	2,508	\$	897,646.40
SCOT		\$	277,578.40
Out of State		\$	461,883.20
TOTAL	5,649	\$	1,808,563.40

Thursday09-03-09¹ **RULING NO. 14 – AYARZA**

Jockey **JORGE LUIS AYARZA** is hereby fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for failing to fulfill his riding engagement in the eighth race on Wednesday, September 2, 2009; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1872 (Failure to Fulfill Jockey Agreement).

The above ruling was issued after Ayarza failed to make it for the last race.

09-03-09² **RULING NO. 15 – HARVEY**

Jockey **BARRINGTON HARVEY**, who rode HYPER SPEED HOWARD in the sixth race at the California State Fair (Sacramento) on Wednesday, September 2, 2009, is hereby fined five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for failing to ride his mount out to the finish line; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1692 (Requirements for Horse, Trainer and Jockey).

The foregoing ruling was issued after Harvey appeared and reviewed his ride in yesterday's sixth race. Harvey's mount was well beaten by the first three finishers and he eased up nearing the wire. There was a Superfecta on the race and Harvey's mount got nipped at the wire for fourth. Harvey stated his horse was getting tired and he didn't realize the other horse could catch him.

09-03-09³ **TRAINER OBJECTION – NO CHANGE – MULES – First Race**

Trainer **Ramon Pulido** alleged that his mule #4 EYE OF THE HAWK (Genaro Tapia) was interfered with at the start by #1a GENIE-JONES (Olivo Maldonado). After review it was determined that #4 broke very slowly from the starting gate and although #1a came over in front of #4, no interference occurred. No Change.

09-03-09⁴ **INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION – Fourth Race**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to review an incident in the stretch involving the winner #4 GIVE THE LOOK (Michael Martinez) and third place finisher, #1 ONERY DOLLARS (James Wooten). After talking to the riders and reviewing the tapes the stewards voted unanimously to disqualify #4 and place him third for interference. Tapes show #4 duck in from between horses, bumping and impeding #1 near the 1/8 pole.

09-03-09⁵ **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

3 rd race: #1 BRITT'S JULES	(Tr. Jeff Bonde)	sick	
Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		NO REFUND – Entry	

6 th race:	#5 ZEROZIETE	(Tr. Alex Sywak)	unsound
	Track Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$18,243.90
8 th race:	#3 CLASSIELYTE	(Tr. Armando Lage)	sick
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$ 413.00
	#6 PECAN NUT	(Tr. Tim Bellasis)	injured
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$ 438.00

09-03-09⁶ **JOCKEY CHANGES**
1st race - Genaro Tapia for Carlos Villalobos – weight

09-03-09⁷ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

CSF	2,731	\$ 150,698.30
NCOT	2,679	\$ 819,472.10
SCOT		\$ 324,976.10
Out of State		\$ 510,101.00
TOTAL	5,410	\$1,805,247.50

Friday

09-04-09¹ **NOMINATION FOUND – ACCEPTED**
Trainer **Jerry Hollendorfer** called to enter **OUR PARTNER** in *THE GOVERNOR'S HANDICAP*. The racing office did not have documentation of a nomination. After checking phone messages it was determined OUR PARTNER was nominated properly and added to the nominations. All other nominators were contacted by Racing Secretary **Tom Doutrich** and accepted the addition of OUR PARTNER. The race filled with five entries.

09-04-09² **MICHAEL MARTINEZ FILM REVIEW** (Ref: 09-03-09⁴)
Jockey **Michael Martinez** was in to review yesterday's fourth race in which his mount was disqualified. After review it was determined his mount was rank and Martinez was held blameless.

09-04-09³ **CALM AFTERNOON**
This afternoon's racing was conducted without incident.

09-04-09⁴ **LATE SCRATCHES – REFUND**

1 st race:	#6 BOH ZELL	(Tr. Candice Coffee)	injured in paddock
	Track Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$2,257.50
5 th race:	#5 RARE ACTION	(Tr. Frank Lucarelli)	sick
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$ 80.40
6 th race:	#3 COURT RULE	(Tr. Jose Godinez)	sick
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$ 202.00
	#4 CIRCLETHEWINNER	(Tr. Art Riesgo)	sick
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$ 83.00
7 th race:	#5 OF CARNEGIE	(Tr. Don Roberson)	no rider
	Stewards		REFUND: \$ 276.40
8 th race:	#6 EXTRAVAGANT	(Tr. Armando Lage)	sick
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$ 148.80
	#7 SMOKINJOMOKO	(Tr. Dennis Ward)	sick
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton		REFUND: \$ 204.00

09-04-09⁵ **JOCKEY CHANGES**

- 2nd race - Juan Avila for Chris Russell – sick
 3rd race - Hugo Herrera for Carlos Villalobos – weight
 4th race - Michael Martinez for Hector Romero – family emergency
 5th race - Matt Garcia for Chris Russell – sick
 7th race - Jorge Ayarza for Chris Russell – sick
 9th race - Michael Martinez for Hector Romero – family emergency

09-04-09⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

CSF	3,340	\$ 234,072.60
NCOT	3,097	\$1,128,366.20
SCOT		\$ 387,647.60
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$ 355,998.40</u>
TOTAL	6,437	\$2,126,084.80

Saturday09-05-09¹ **ROUTINE BUSINESS**

This morning's office duties were routine and a good chance to catch up on paperwork.

09-05-09² **INQUIRY / OBJECTION – NO CHANGE – MULE (350 yards) – First Race**

The stewards posted the inquiry and jockey Olivo Maldonado aboard #1 SIS-Q LO-SOME (6th) lodged a claim of foul against fourth place finisher, #2 ACTION'S GENA and jockey Genaro Tapia, for alleged interference shortly after the start. After review it was determined that although tight quarters existed #1's chances for a better placing were not compromised as he finished 15 lengths last while acting unruly.

09-05-09³ **CLAIM VOID – Fourth Race**

Trainer **Ken Nettles** dropped a claim for #5 **PLEASED TO SQUEEZE** inside of the fifteen minute window. The stewards voided the claim in compliance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1655 (a) (Form and Deposit of Claim).

09-05-09⁴ **DECLARATIONS - REFUNDS**

3 rd race:	#7 SUPPLY N DEMAND (Tr. Terri Eaton)	sick
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton	REFUND: \$ 283.10
8 th race:	#7 POWERFUL PETE (Tr. Eddie Rich)	unsound
	Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton	REFUND: \$ 619.00

09-05-09⁵ **JOCKEY CHANGES**

- 7th race - Catalino Martinez for William Antongeorgi – sick
 8th race - James Wooten for Matt Garcia – injured
 Catalino Martinez for David Lopez – sick
 9th race - Catalino Martinez for William Antongeorgi – sick
 10th race - Hector Romero for Alvaro Rojas – injured

09-05-09⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

CSF	7,212	\$ 311,079.10
NCOT	4,672	\$1,700,862.90
SCOT		\$ 430,456.50
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$ 403,659.02</u>
TOTAL	11,884	\$2,846,057.52

Sunday09-06-09¹ **RAY THOMAS HEARING** (Case 09GG298)

Trainer **RAY THOMAS** appeared and waived his right to a formal hearing concerning a Clenbuterol overage on the three year old mule **DASHN BOBI McGEE**, who ran first in the first race at the Sonoma County Fair on August 5, 2009. Owner **Dave Wood** was

also notified of his rights by CHRB investigator Barbara Chimero. Thomas stated that he normally does all the medicating at his barn but in this instance he was called away and relied on his help to medicate a sick mule BAR JF THUNDER. Thomas believes that either the medication (Clenbuterol) was placed in the wrong feed tub or the tubs got switched. Disposition to follow.

09-06-09² **INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – NO CHANGE – Quarter Horse (350 yards) – Third Race**
 #10 NAMHAWK (Tr. Ray Thomas) went wrong shortly after the start, unseating jockey Saul Duarte. Jockey Duarte was uninjured. NAMHAWK was humanely euthanized. Accident report attached. No interference occurred. No Change.

09-06-09³ **ACCIDENT – INQUIRY – NO CHANGE – Fourth Race**
 The stewards posted the inquiry sign to review an incident near the 5/16 pole in which #8 **RISING CZAR** clips the heels of #4 STERLING CROSS (Jorge Ayarza) unseating jockey **Michael Martinez**. After talking to the riders and reviewing the films, the stewards voted unanimously to make no change. Tapes failed to substantiate any certain blame to the horses involved. #8 is being urged into a tight spot between #4 and #5 IT'S TOUCH AND GO (David Lopez) in the middle of the turn when the accident happened which may have been the major contribution to the accident. Jockey Martinez will review the incident with the stewards. An accident report will be attached. No Change.

09-06-09⁴ **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

1 st race:	#6 RTR LOST IN THE FOG (Tr. Jamey Thomas) Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton	injured REFUND: \$ 116.50
4 th race:	#1 SILVER DUST (Tr. Genaro Vallejo) Stewards	enter back REFUND: \$ 64.70
6 th race:	#2 COOL ALLIE (Tr. Manuel Calvario) Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton	sick REFUND: \$ 56.00
7 th race:	#8 TERRACE ISLAND (Tr. Ricardo Perez) Fitness Veterinarian Audrey Clifton	sick REFUND: \$ 82.70
10 th race:	#1 ROCKET BLAST (Tr. Phil Oviedo) Track Veterinarian Audrey Clifton	unsound at gate REFUND: \$11,596.69

09-06-09⁵ **JOCKEY CHANGES**

2nd race - April Boag for Matt Garcia – sick
 3rd race - April Boag for Matt Garcia – sick
 4th race - Michael Martinez for Matt Garcia – sick
 5th race - Catalino Martinez for Matt Garcia – sick
 6th race - Barrington Harvey for Matt Garcia – sick
 7th race - Catalino Martinez for Matt Garcia – sick
 8th race - Catalino Martinez for Matt Garcia – sick
 10th race - Saul Duarte for Alex Bisono – sick

09-06-09⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

CSF	8,364	\$ 333,780.20
NCOT	4,169	\$1,562,654.20
SCOT		\$ 492,321.50
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$ 604,673.55</u>
TOTAL 12,533		\$2,993,429.45

Monday09-07-09¹ **THOMAS RULINGS No. 16 & 17** (Ref: 09-06-09¹)

The following rulings were issued after deliberation over yesterday's hearing. Thomas has a favorable medication history which helped mitigate his fine.

Acting upon a report from University of California, Davis, an official laboratory for the California Horse Racing Board, that the post race urine sample #F05395, taken from the mule **DASHN BOBI McGEE**, the first place finisher in the first race on August 5, 2009 at the Sonoma County Fair, contained the drug Clenbuterol (Class 3) in excess of the permitted level (42 ng/ml), it is ordered that DASHN BOBI McGEE be disqualified from all purse monies earned and declared unplaced in said race in accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1859.5 (Disqualification Upon Positive Test Finding).

It is further ordered that the owner of DASHN BOBI McGEE (Dave E. Wood) (\$2,750.00), trainer Ray Thomas (\$272.50) and jockey Anthony Ayala (\$272.50) return all monies earned to the paymaster at CARF (California Authority of Racing Fairs) for redistribution in accordance with the revised order of finish:

- 1 - ICEMAN
- 2 - COCO NELSON
- 3 - ELISE NELSON
- 4 - EARS LOOKINGATYOU
- 5 - LILAC LADY
- 6 - BAR JF CYA
- 7 - ECCENTRIC

All records are ordered changed to reflect this ruling. In accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1956 (Race Declared Official), this ruling shall not affect the pari-mutuel payoffs.

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Trainer **RAY THOMAS**, who started the mule **DASHN BOBI McGEE**, first place finisher in the first race on Wednesday, August 5, 2009 at the Sonoma County Fair (Santa Rosa), is hereby fined three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances – Clenbuterol [Class 3] – 42 ng/ml).

09-07-09² **JOCKEY MARTINEZ IN** (Ref: 09-06-09³)

Jockey Michael Martinez was in to review his ride in yesterday's fourth race in which his mount clipped heels. While Martinez could not receive total blame for the incident he was cautioned to avoid going into a tight spot while on the turn.

09-07-09³ **INQUIRY – NO CHANGE – Fourth Race**

The stewards posted the inquiry to review observed interference in the stretch concerning #6 BETTERWINSOME (Saul Arias) and #2 EVENT OF SIAM (Catalino Martinez) who were in a tight photo to win. Tapes show #6 coming out the length of the stretch forcing #2 past the middle of the track. The point became moot however since the photo revealed #2 beat the offender. Jockey **Saul Arias** was ordered to report to the stewards at Golden Gate Fields on Wednesday.

09-07-09⁴ **INJURED RIDER – DELAY – Eighth Race**

#10 DUE WEST reared in the starting gate injuring jockey **Francisco Duran**. A backup

6-Sep	1	6	RTR LOST IN THE FOG	Thomas	injured	Clifton	\$116.50
	6	2	COOL ALLIE	Calvario	sick	Clifton	\$56.00
	7	8	TERRACE ISLAND	Perez	sick	Clifton	\$82.70
7-Sep	10	1	ROCKET BLAST	Oviedo	unsound at gate	Clifton	\$11,596.69
	2	6	RAE SHELL	Piches	unsound	Clifton	\$235.50
	10	3	UNUSUALLY BRITE	Mathis	sick	Clifton	\$238.73

VETERINARY REPORT**Euthanized / Died**

09-04-07 Foxy Jenny (Tr. Art Reisgo) treating for pluritis – died
 09-06-09 Namhawk (Tr. Santiago Rodriguez) compound fracture; racing, dirt
 09-07-09 Laughing Bear (Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer) pneumonia - died

Veterinarian's List

There were twenty-three (23) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 13
 Injured: 4
 Unsound: 6
 Bled: 0

There were thirty-two (32) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 19
 Injured: 11
 Unsound: 2
 Bled: 0

Shockwave Therapy: There weren't any shockwave therapy treatments reported.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	168	\$45,377.30
Bakersfield	524	\$154,921.50
Eureka	90	\$60,500.20
Fresno	468	\$181,969.70
Fresno One Club	153	\$75,402.00
Golden Gate	4568	\$1,483,311.60
Monterey	472	\$179,312.10
Pleasanton	2551	\$1,044,038.80
San Jose	2450	\$792,553.30
San Mateo	5105	\$2,274,127.10
Santa Rosa	1014	\$262,364.40
Stockton	1491	\$453,892.50
Tulare	296	\$73,809.30
Turlock	725	\$203,167.10
Vallejo	1129	\$404,756.10
So. California		\$3,600,978.96
Out of State		\$1,742,281.28

	9/2	9/3	9/4	9/5	9/6	9/7	Week	Meet
ACCIDENTS	1	0	0	0	2	1	4	8
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
CLAIMS	2	1	1	0	1	1	6	11
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	6
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	1	2	0	1	2	1	7	12
REFUNDS	5	3	7	2	5	2	24	48
RULINGS	4	2	0	0	0	2	8	17

Respectfully submitted,

Will Meyers, Steward

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Grant Baker, Steward

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