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**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**



**PACIFIC RACING ASSOCIATION**

A Magna Entertainment Facility  
Golden Gate Fields  
Albany, California

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

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Report for the period Wednesday, May 14, 2008 through Sunday, May 18, 2008.

**GENERAL DATA:**

Dates: Thirty (30) days - Wednesday, May 14, 2008 through Sunday, June 22, 2008.

Entries: 48 to 120 hours in advance

Scratch time: 9:00 a.m. the race day before the race

Post times: 1:05 p.m. daily; 12:15 p.m. May 17, 2008 (Preakness) and June 7, 2008 (Belmont)

Wagering offered: Win, Place and Show; Exacta, Quinella, Trifecta, Superfecta, Daily Double, Parlay, Pick 3, Pick 4, Pick 6 and Pick All

Northern California Satellite Facilities:

Anderson, Bakersfield, Bay Meadows, Eureka, Fresno, Fresno Club One, Monterey, Pleasanton, Sacramento, San Jose, Santa Rosa, Stockton, Tulare, Turlock and Vallejo

STEWARDS:

Representing the California Horse Racing Board  
John B. Herbuveaux, Darrel McHargue, Dennis Nevin

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Diane Isbell, DVM	Examining Veterinarian

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Richard Somers	Price Maker
William Vassar	Track Photographer
Aaron Vercruysse	Simulcast Coordinator
David Seftel, M.D.	Track Physician

**PRE- MEET**

Steward **Dennis Nevin** was on hand last Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday for entries and scratches and to ensure that the facility is properly prepared for today's opening. Nevin reported a conversation with Horse Identifier **PAT KEALY** concerning Kealy contacting trainers of horses listed as colts on the overnight. When Pat verifies the true sex of the horse prior to scratch time, the chance of wrong information going out to the public is greatly reduced.

**Wednesday**05-14-08<sup>1</sup> **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUND**

4<sup>th</sup> race: #7 TIGRESS IN JEANS (Tr. R. B. Hess) injured  
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$1,520.70

05-14-08<sup>2</sup> **RULING NO. 1 – BISHOP**

In the Matter of:  
Owner **DAVID K. BISHOP**

Owner Dave K. Bishop, having now resolved the outstanding financial obligation to Equine Sports Medicine, Bay Meadows Racing Association ruling #62, dated April 30, 2008, suspending Mr. Bishop's license privileges for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear), is set aside and Mr. Bishop is hereby restored to good standing.

The above ruling was issued after the stewards received notice from the Paymaster of Purses, Pat Prospero, that Bishop had deposited sufficient funds in his account to pay the outstanding veterinarian bills.

05-14-08<sup>3</sup> **FILM REVIEW**

Jockey **Inoel Beato** appeared to review Sunday's (Bay Meadows) seventh race in which a horse inside him, #1 FABULOUS MR. MIKE (Adrian Perez), fell as the field entered the stretch. The tapes showed slight contact between the two horses but it was the inside horse coming out to Beato's mount who initiated the contact. Adrian Perez was shaken up in the spill but escaped without serious injury.

Beato did not allow his horse to cross over in front of Perez' mount and there was no evidence that FABULOUS MR. MIKE clipped heels. Inoel stated Perez told him that FABULOUS MR. MIKE got tired and crossed his legs. Perez will be contacted concerning the incident.

05-14-08<sup>4</sup> **LATE SCRATCH – Seventh Race – REFUND**

#1 ROAD TO MONEY, trained by Sean McGowan, got loose during the loading process and ran off. The mare was finally captured after a 7/8 mile gallop and was scratched by the stewards. The refund amounted to \$10,645.65.

GGF	2,126	\$ 790,254.00
NCOT	2,127	\$ 417,902.70
SCOT		\$ 560,113.00
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$1,972,658.65</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,253</b>	<b>\$3,740,928.35</b>

**Thursday**

05-15-08<sup>1</sup> **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUND**

1<sup>st</sup> race: #1 MY SILVER RANSOME (Tr. Joseph Brook) sick  
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell NO REFUND – Entry

5<sup>th</sup> race: #3 AVIAN LU (Tr. Armando Lage) sick  
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 137.00

05-15-08<sup>2</sup> **OFFICE HOURS**

All matters encountered during this rather warm morning fell into the routine category.

05-15-08<sup>3</sup> **PROBLEM FREE**

The afternoon's eight race program was conducted without noteworthy incident.

05-15-08<sup>4</sup> **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,854	\$ 362,786.80
NCOT	2,178	\$ 734,891.40
SCOT		\$ 513,978.40
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$1,499,003.72</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,032</b>	<b>\$3,110,660.32</b>

**Friday**

05-16-08<sup>1</sup> **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

4<sup>th</sup> race: #2 OUGHT (Tr. Donna Elordi) sick  
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$1,031.50

5<sup>th</sup> race: #5 PHANTOM GRAY (Tr. Nick Sloan) sick  
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 839.30

6<sup>th</sup> race: #9 GHERIG (Tr. Greg Gilchrist) sick  
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 274.10

05-16-08<sup>2</sup> **STEWARDS' INQUIRY – Fifth Race – DISQUALIFICATION**

The stewards posted the inquiry sign to review an incident at the start involving #6 TAYLOR COUNTY (4<sup>th</sup>, Jorge Ayarza), #4 CHANTING WARRIOR (8<sup>th</sup>, William Antongeorgi) and #3 CODE AMOUR (6<sup>th</sup>, Juan Ochoa). After a thorough review the stewards disqualified TAYLOR COUNTY from fourth and placed him eighth behind CHANTING WARRIOR.

Tapes showed that TAYLOR COUNTY bore in and bumped CHANTING WARRIOR shortly after the break starting a chain reaction that caused CHANTING WARRIOR to continue in and bump CODE AMOUR. In the stewards' unanimous opinion, the incident cost TAYLOR

COUNTY the opportunity at a better placing necessitating a disqualification.

Original order of finish: 11 – 2 – 8 – **(6)** – 9 – 3 – 7 – 4 – 10

Official order of finish: 11 – 2 – 8 – 9 – 3 – 7 – 4 – **(6)** – 10

05-16-08<sup>3</sup> **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	2,021	\$	456,964.40
NCOT	3,228	\$	913,270.10
SCOT		\$	343,667.90
<u>Out of State</u>			<u>\$2,457,831.80</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,249</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$4,171,734.20</b>

**Saturday**

05-17-08<sup>1</sup> **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

5 <sup>th</sup> race: #10 ILIKEITALOT	(Tr. Nestor Capitaine)	unsound
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 3,470.70
8 <sup>th</sup> race: #13 TOPPERS DREAM	(Tr. Sergio Ledezma)	also eligible
Stewards		REFUND: \$ 216.50
9 <sup>th</sup> race: #8 SOLE HEIR	(Tr. Matt Chew)	injured
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 730.30

05-17-08<sup>2</sup> **RULING NO. 2 – AYARZA**

Jockey **JORGE AYARZA**, who rode **TAYLOR COUNTY** in the fifth race at Golden Gate Fields on Friday, May 16, 2008, is suspended five (5) racing days (May 24, 25, 26, 29 and 30, 2008) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course soon after the start and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from fourth to eighth; 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 Ayarza viewed the tapes of the race with the stewards. Jockey David Lopez acted as interpreter. Neither Ayarza nor Lopez could offer an acceptable excuse why Jorge failed to correct his mount prior to making contact in an effort to prevent causing interference. The five day penalty was imposed because Jorge received a 3-day suspension for the same type of infraction earlier this month.

05-17-08<sup>3</sup> **LATE SCRATCH – Seventh Race – REFUND**

#1 DESERT LAND, trained by Ellen Jackson, was scratched by the stewards after the horse unseated jockey Barrington Harvey during the warm up period and ran off. DESERT LAND galloped over a mile before being captured. Neither horse nor rider suffered any ill effects in the incident. The refund amount to \$5,543.50.

05-17-08<sup>4</sup> **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	5,136	\$1,152,616.30
NCOT	8,609	\$2,954,877.80
SCOT		\$1,140,094.40
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$2,796,764.24</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,745</b>	<b>\$8,044,352.74</b>

**Sunday**05-18-08<sup>1</sup> **EARLY DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> race:	#5 SON OF DIONISI	(Tr. Gary Mandella)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 288.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> race:	#2 POINTE BIRDS	(Tr. Harry Nelson)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 399.30
8 <sup>th</sup> race:	#5 DARLING MAMBO	(Tr. Jenine Sahadi)	sick
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 748.40
	#8 RUSHEN HEAT	(Tr. Barry Abrams)	injured
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 299.00
9 <sup>th</sup> race:	#6 TERI BEAR	(Tr. Steve Miyadi)	unsound
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 225.50

05-18-08<sup>2</sup> **CAL-BRED REPORT**

No race written exclusively for horses bred in California garnered enough entries to be included in the program during the five day race week.

05-18-08<sup>3</sup> **RULING NO. 3 – ROBOCKER** (Case #08BM138)

Owner **IRENE E. ROBOCKER**, having failed to respond to written to notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Golden Gate Fields on or before Saturday, May 17, 2008, to answer charges of alleged violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1488 (a) (Temporary Occupational License), #1489 (a) (c) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License), #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation) and #1902(b) (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing), is hereby suspended pending appearance before the Board of Stewards for violation of CHRB rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of IRENE E. ROBOCKER are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards), she is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The above ruling was issued after Ms. Robocker did not appear at the appointed hour. The complaint alleges a material misrepresentation on her license renewal application. Apparently, Ms. Robocker did not reveal a nolo contendere misdemeanor plea for animal cruelty in Placer County Superior Court in October of last year.

05-18-08<sup>4</sup> **FINANCIAL RESOLVED** (Case #08BM152)

Trainer **HARRY NELSON** appeared with checks in the amount of \$957.50 to settle a wage dispute with **EARL BAZE, II**. The amount covers ponying and galloping at the Big Fresno Fair last October.

05-18-08<sup>5</sup> **IN THE CLEAR**

The afternoon's nine race program was conducted without noteworthy incident.

05-18-08<sup>6</sup> **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	4,103	\$ 706,483.70
NCOT	3,424	\$1,250,606.40
SCOT		\$ 860,074.20
Out of State		\$1,780,527.80
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,527</b>	<b>\$4,525,692.10</b>

**W E E K L Y   S U M M A R Y**

**ATTENDANCE REPORT** – The full Board of Stewards was in attendance each racing day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program. Steward Nevin was also in attendance on four non-racing days to attend to pre-meet duties.

**VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Horse</b>	<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Vet</b>	<b>Refund</b>
14-May	4	7	TIGRESS IN JEANS	Hess	injured	Isbell	<b>\$1,520.70</b>
15-May	1	1	MY SILVER RANSOME	Brook	sick	Isbell	<b>Part of Entry</b>
	5	3	AVIAN LU	Lage	sick	Isbell	<b>\$137.00</b>
16-May	4	2	OUGHT	Elordi	sick	Isbell	<b>\$1,031.50</b>
	5	5	PHANTOM GRAY	Sloan	sick	Isbell	<b>\$839.30</b>
	6	9	GHERIG	Gilchrist	sick	Isbell	<b>\$274.10</b>
17-May	5	10	ILIKEITALOT	Capitaine	unsound	Isbell	<b>\$3,470.70</b>
	9	8	SOLE HEIR	Chew	injured	Isbell	<b>\$730.30</b>
18-May	1	5	SON OF DIONISI	Mandella	sick	Isbell	<b>\$288.00</b>
	2	2	POINTE BIRDS	Nelson	unsound	Isbell	<b>\$399.30</b>
	8	5	DARLING MAMBO	Sahadi	sick	Isbell	<b>\$748.40</b>
		8	RUSHEN HEAT	Abrams	injured	Isbell	<b>\$299.00</b>
	9	6	TERI BEAR	Miyadi	unsound	Isbell	<b>\$225.50</b>

**VETERINARY REPORT****Euthanized / Died**

05-17-08 Marginal Reality (Tr. Sean McGowan) fractured sesamoids left front - dirt training, PLEASANTON

05-18-08 Cat Lady (Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer) fractured right tibia - Tapeta, training

**Injuries**

- 05-16-08 Spanish Summer (Tr. Steve Sherman) re-bowed left front – Tapeta, racing
- 05-16-08 Taylor County (Tr. Greg James) musculoskeletal injury left front – Tapeta, racing
- 05-16-08 Tending Angelo (Tr. Jeff Bonde) musculoskeletal injury left front – Tapeta, racing
- 05-16-08 Dotsy Jean (Tr. Ed Moger) musculoskeletal injury right front – Tapeta, racing
- 05-16-08 Honor Our Flag (Tr. Gil Matos) musculoskeletal injury right front – Tapeta, racing

**Veterinarian’s List**

There were nineteen (19) horses placed on the vet’s list:

- Sick: 9
- Injured: 4
- Unsound: 6
- Bled: 0

There were twenty-seven (27) horses removed from the vet’s list:

- Sick: 18
- Injured: 5
- Unsound: 4
- Bled: 0

**Shockwave Therapy:** There was one (1) shockwave therapy treatment reported.

**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES**

Anderson	263	\$72,195.10
Bakersfield	642	\$172,716.90
Bay Meadows	5005	\$1,895,589.30
Eureka	128	\$35,487.10
Fresno	702	\$223,881.10
Fresno Club One	110	\$72,718.90
Monterey	583	\$228,046.60
Pleasanton	2496	\$934,286.30
Sacramento	2203	\$682,994.10
San Jose	1935	\$846,456.40
Santa Rosa	1429	\$317,394.40
Stockton	1604	\$465,501.40
Tulare	457	\$104,980.50
Turlock	854	\$225,629.30
Vallejo	1155	\$366,022.30
So. California		\$3,417,927.90
Out of State		\$10,434,788.21

CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>	<i>0</i>
CLAIMS	2	3	3	3	3	<b>14</b>	<i>14</i>
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	1	0	0	<b>1</b>	<i>1</i>
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	0	0	1	0	0	<b>1</b>	<i>1</i>
REFUNDS	2	1	3	4	5	<b>15</b>	<i>15</i>
RULINGS	1	0	0	1	1	<b>3</b>	<i>3</i>

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**John B. Herbuveaux, Steward**

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**Dennis Nevin, Steward**

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**Darrel McHargue, Steward**

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