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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, March 4, 2009 through Sunday, March 8, 2009.

Wednesday

03-04-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred race for three year olds and older, maiden, claiming price \$18,000 - \$20,000, one mile and one sixteenth, failed to fill.

03-04-09² **FRANCISCO JAVIER CAMACHO HEARING** (Case No. 09GG078)

A formal hearing was held in the stewards' office today for groom **Francisco Javier Camacho**. Groom Camacho is employed by trainer William Morey, Jr. He has been cited for alleged rule violations of California Horse Racing Board 1489(h) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License) and 1890 (Possession of Contraband). This hearing was chaired by steward John Herbubeaux. Presenting the case was CHRB Senior Special Investigator Charles Smith. Also present were CHRB Supervising (North) Investigator Anne Glasscock and Christine Niccoli (Niccoli Reporting).

CHRB investigators discovered two (2) marijuana plants in a tack room (Barn 44), assigned to trainer William J. Morey, Jr. on February 19, 2009.

CHRB investigators were conducting a required housing inspection at the time of making the discovery.

Groom Camacho was candid during the hearing and preceding investigation, stating that the marijuana plants were indeed his. Documents and evidence (marijuana plants) were entered onto the record. The stewards will deliberate on all matters presented at the hearing before reaching a decision. More to follow.

03-04-09³ **ADAN LANDEROS FILM REVIEW**

Jockey Adan Landeros appeared in the stewards' office as ordered for a film review of the seventh race on Sunday, March 1, 2009. In this race there was a disqualification. (Ref: 03-01-09⁷) Jockey Landeros' mount, #6 THELIFEOFTHEPARTY, finished third but

was disqualified and placed sixth for breaking inward and impeding an inside rival.

The stewards ruled that jockey Landeros acted as swiftly as possible in an attempt to straighten his mount.

No penalty issued.

03-04-09⁴ **INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION – Second Race**

The inquiry sign was posted following this race to view a three (3) horse incident approximately eighty (80) yards before the finish.

Race replays showed first place finisher #5 BREEZY JOHNNY (Catalino Martinez) drift outward in deep stretch after being struck twice left handed by jockey Martinez' riding crop. Second place finisher #6 FOUL PLAY (Michael Martinez) appeared to be brushed on his near side and forced off his straight course. Also involved in this inquiry was third place finisher #3 ALEX AND ME (Russell Baze). This horse was forced off his straight course also, while closing well on the outside.

The stewards received patrol judge input and spoke to all three (3) riders involved. The stewards unanimously voted to disqualify #5 BREEZY JOHNNY and place him third. Jockey Catalino Martinez was ordered to film review.

Original Order of Finish: (5) – 6 – 3 – 2 – 4 – 1

Official Order of Finish: 6 – 3 – (5) – 2 – 4 – 1

03-04-09⁵ **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

4th race: #1 HUZURHUCKLEBERRY (Tr. Howard Belvoir) injured
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$331.00

03-04-09⁶ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	1,185	\$	319,992.10
NCOT	2,239	\$	783,477.50
SCOT		\$	466,172.60
Out of State			\$1,554,254.16
TOTAL	3,424	\$	3,123,896.36

Thursday

03-05-09¹ **CAL-BRED REPORT**

The Cal-Bred race for maiden fillies and mares, four year olds and upward, claiming price \$18,000 - \$20,000, went with six (6) entries.

03-05-09² **DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS**

1st race: #1 BLACK GULCH (Tr. Wm. E. Morey) injured
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$ 654.00

With the above declaration in the first race, the field was reduced to four wagering interests and in compliance with CHRB rule #1954 (Pari-mutuel Pools) there was no show wagering offered. The additional show pool refund amounted to \$156.00.

3rd race: #4 FRISCO JAG (Tr. Greg Gilchrist) sick
Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell REFUND: \$287.00

03-05-09³ **NEW JOCKEY**

Veteran jockey agent **Steve Steamer** introduced the stewards to a prospective new jockey. **Anisente Leon** is a thirty-three (33) year old journeyman who is originally from Puerto Rico. More recently Leon has applied his trade in the Dominican Republic. He told the stewards, via interpreter Herbert Soto, Jr., that he has won 1,600 races in

his career. Jockey rules and protocol were reviewed. The stewards are awaiting a computer printout from other jurisdictions prior to approving his license.

03-05-09⁴ **RULING NO. 45 – CABRAL**

On Sunday, March 1st, trainer **DAN CABRAL** was involved in a case of mistaken identity. (Ref: 03-01-09⁸) Trainer Cabral stated he shares a hot walking machine with trainer Clifford Delima in Pleasanton. According to trainer Cabral he took what he thought was his horse (**Teke Sweetheart**) off the walking machine and transported him to race later that day (March 1) at Golden Gate Fields.

The horse that showed up at the receiving barn prior to the ninth race was not Teke Sweetheart. Rather it was a Clifford Delima trained horse who received an unscheduled, albeit free, van ride to Albany and back.

Horse Identifier Darryl Sparks obviously did a good job of identifying the incorrect horse upon arrival at the receiving barn which led to a late declaration. The following ruling was issued:

Trainer **DAN E. CABRAL** is fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration) for failure to deliver the horse **TEKE SWEETHEART** to the receiving barn necessitating a late scratch in the ninth race on Sunday, March 1, 2009; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1852 (Reporting to Receiving Barn).

03-05-09⁵ **RULING NO. 46 – FRANCISCO CAMACHO** (Case No. 09GG078)

Groom **FRANCISCO CAMACHO**, who works for trainer William J. Morey, Jr., came to the stewards' office today. Groom Camacho had a formal hearing yesterday (Ref: 03-05-09²) in the stewards' office. Terms of his probation were gone over as well as the reasoning behind issuing groom Camacho the following ruling:

Groom **FRANCISCO J. CAMACHO** is fined the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and placed on probation for the term of his license (01-31-10) for violation of California Horse Racing

Board rule #1890 (Possession of Contraband – marijuana) on February 19, 2009.

As conditions of probation, FRANCISCO J. CAMACHO must abide by the terms of a signed testing agreement with the California Horse Racing Board and meet with the Winners Foundation.

03-05-09⁶ **CATALINO MARTINEZ FILM REVIEW / RULING NO. 47**

The stewards held a film review with jockey **Catalino Martinez** today. Jockey Martinez was accompanied by jockey Frank Alvarado. Jockey Martinez was called in to review his involvement in a three (3) horse inquiry in yesterday's second race. (Refer 03-04-09⁴)

Film review shows Martinez on #5 BREEZY JOHNNY, drifting out in deep stretch and interfering with two rivals #5 FOUL PLAY (2nd place, Michael Martinez) and #3 ALEX AND ME (3rd place, Russell Baze). Jockey Martinez used his whip twice left handed before switching to his right hand.

Jockey Martinez was previously issued a three (3) day riding suspension on January 24th (Ruling #21) and a five (5) day suspension (Ruling #24) on February 15th by Golden Gate Fields stewards.

Jockey Martinez stated that he understood the stewards' reasoning for issuing the following ruling:

Jockey **CATALINO MARTINEZ**, who rode **BREEZY JOHNNY** in the second race at Golden Gate Fields on March 4, 2009, is suspended seven (7) racing days (March 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19 and 20, 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 first to third; 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.

03-05-09⁷

SMOOTH CARD

Today's eight (8) race card went well as it was free of stewards' inquires and/or jockey objections.

03-05-09⁸

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

GGF	1,461	\$	390,968.40
NCOT	2,433	\$	844,622.80
SCOT		\$	401,892.30
Out of State			<u>\$1,298,176.16</u>
TOTAL	3,894	\$	\$2,935,659.66

Friday

03-06-09¹

CAL-BRED REPORT

The Cal-Bred race for three year olds, claiming price \$6,250 at one mile and one sixteenth, failed to fill.

03-06-09²

GOOD PUBLICITY

Golden Gate Fields' publicity manager Tom Ferrall led a large group of film people around the racetrack today, as they were doing a segment on jockey **Russell Baze**.

The PBS affiliate in San Jose, KTEH television, spent the afternoon shooting race footage of jockey Baze. General Manager Robert Hartman's office was also set up as a temporary TV studio in order to film professional looking interviews.

03-06-09³

SMOOTH CARD

Today's eight (8) race card was uneventful once again. No stewards' inquiries or jockey objections were called.

03-06-09⁴

DECLARATIONS – REFUNDS

4 th race:	#3 BEAR MOUNTAIN	(Tr. Robert Bean)	unsound
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 8,268.07
6 th race:	#4 LISA'S JETSTAR	(Tr. Frances Henderson)	injured
	Examining Veterinarian Diane Isbell		REFUND: \$ 87.00
7 th race:	#1 EAST FROM WEST	(Tr. Steve Miyadi)	unsound
	Track Veterinarian Heather Kerr		REFUND: \$16,874.23

03-06-09⁵

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

GGF	1,726	\$	366,357.10
NCOT	2,457	\$	880,063.30
SCOT		\$	425,679.70
Out of State			<u>\$1,018,018.75</u>
TOTAL	4,213	\$	\$2,690,118.85

03-08-09⁴ **SMOOTH CARD**

Today's nine (9) race card went well as it was free of stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections. The largest crowd of the week was on hand to take advantage of Golden Gate Fields' \$1 dollar (parking, admission, beer, hot dogs, etc.) day promotion.

03-08-09⁵ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

GGF	5,204	\$ 687,147.90
NCOT	3,206	\$1,118,133.30
SCOT		\$ 702,944.90
<u>Out of State</u>		<u>\$1,550,019.55</u>
TOTAL	8,410	\$4,058,245.65

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.

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
4-Mar	4	1	HUZYURHUCKLEBERRY	Belvoir	injured	Isbell	\$331.00
5-Mar	1	1	BLACK GULCH	Morey	injured	Isbell	\$654.00
	3	4	FRISCO JAG	Gilchrist	sick	Isbell	\$287.00
6-Mar	4	3	BEAR MOUNTAIN	Bean	unsound	Isbell	\$8,268.07
	6	4	LISA'S JETSTAR	Henderson	injured	Isbell	\$87.00
	7	1	EAST FROM WEST	Miyadi	unsound	Kerr	\$16,874.23
7-Mar	6	3	FIVE STAR CHARM	Lage	injured	Isbell	\$328.50
	8	3	REALITY NOW	Hollendorfer	sick	Isbell	\$246.00

VETERINARY REPORT**Euthanized / Died**

03-06-09 Summer Day (Tr. Greg James) left front fetlock, bilateral sesamoid fracture – Tapeta, training

03-07-09 Timber Prince (Tr. Howard Belvoir) left front comminuted fracture medial sesamoid – Tapeta, racing on 03-05-09

Veterinarian's List

There were fifteen (15) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 3
Injured: 4
Unsound: 8
Bled: 0

There were fifteen (15) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 9
Injured: 5
Unsound: 1
Bled: 0

Shockwave Therapy: There were three (3) shockwave therapy treatments reported.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Anderson	0	\$0.00
Bakersfield	437	\$144,638.70
Eureka	93	\$35,908.10
Fresno	409	\$157,280.00
Fresno Club One	105	\$54,000.40
Monterey	419	\$150,186.70
Pleasanton	2040	\$759,271.30
Sacramento	1659	\$553,414.10
San Jose	1831	\$692,550.20
San Mateo	3746	\$1,629,368.60
Santa Rosa	1000	\$245,298.80
Stockton	1162	\$374,646.30
Tulare	313	\$80,303.90
Turlock	573	\$185,093.20
Vallejo	892	\$291,954.40
So. California		\$2,940,168.80
Out of State		\$7,049,047.89

	4-Mar	5-Mar	6-Mar	7-Mar	8-Mar	WEEK	Meet
ACCIDENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
CAL-BRED RACES	0	1	0	0	0	1	5
CLAIMS	2	1	1	2	2	8	99
DISQUALIFICATIONS	1	0	0	0	0	1	7
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	1	0	0	0	0	1	19
REFUNDS	1	2	3	1	2	9	154
RULINGS	0	3	0	0	0	3	47

Respectfully submitted,

Grant Baker, Steward

John B. Herbuveaux, Steward

Darrel McHargue, Steward