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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

HOLLYWOOD PARK SPRING RACING ASSOCIATION

Hollywood Park

To the California Horse Racing Board

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For the period: Wednesday, June 11, 2008 through Sunday, June 15, 2008.

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MINUTES – EIGHTH WEEK of HOLLYWOOD PARK SPRING MEETING

**WEDNESDAY
06/11/08¹**

A.M. DECLARATIONS

- 2nd race #4 Cyprus Lady (Vet – sick) refund of \$468.00
- 5th race #5 Warren’s Grandslam (Vet – injured) refund of \$1,669.90
- 7th race #3 Red Diadem (Vet – sick) refund of \$1,480.30

06/11/08²

CASE SETTLED

A financial complaint filed by Rosa Castillo against trainer Gus Headley was settled this morning as Mr. Headley acknowledged that the debt was owed. The problem, he said, was the fact that he could not get Ms. Castillo to provide him with a completed W-4 form, which he needed to report her earnings. A check will be available no later than this coming Sunday.

06/11/08³

WEBSITE OWNER IN

Pete Sanchez, the proprietor of the racing selection website “Winby5.com”, was in the office today to discuss matters with the Stewards. While scanning the site last week, it was discovered that images of jockey Joel Rosario and his agent, Vince DeGregory were still appearing in conjunction with the ads. Rosario stopped wearing jockey pants with the logo of the website after a previous meeting with the Stewards (Ref. 5/2/08²).

Mr. Sanchez was very cooperative, stating that he was waiting to hear from Rosario or DeGregory with respect to their desire to have their images removed. He said he would call them to get an answer.

06/11/08⁴

OWNER IN

Margaret Baricevic, who was the subject of a financial complaint during the Santa Anita meeting, was in the office this morning seeking assistance in finding the whereabouts of her horse, Metaphysical. She had previously paid \$5,000 on the \$11,254.00 bill and was told to reach an understanding with her trainer, James Sayler.

Unfortunately, the two have not come to an agreement. In a recent conversation with Mr. Sayler, Ms. Baricevic was informed that the horse, of which she owns 50%, had been given away. She feels that even though there are still more training fees owed, an adjustment is in order. Sayler was contacted and agreed to a reduction.

06/11/08⁵

STEWARDS' INQUIRY AND DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign after the fifth race to review observed interference entering the stretch involving the fifth and ninth place finishers, #7 Cee's Harmony (J. Campos) and #6 Alotta Wild (J. Talamo). After speaking with the riders involved, taking into account reports from the Patrol Judges and reviewing video of the incident, the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify Cee's Harmony from fifth to ninth position. Tapes show the horse drifting out off of the turn, placing Alotta Wild in extremely tight quarters between horses and forcing Talamo to take up sharply, losing all chance. The incident cost horse and rider any opportunity for a better placing.

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	2,794	770,386.70
SATELLITES	5,025	2,166,456.10
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	742,228.10
OUT OF STATE	n/a	3,563,131.32
TOTALS	7,819	\$7,242,202.22

THURSDAY
06/12/08¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

2nd race #1 Giacobbe's Gem (Vet – unsound) refund \$580.20

7th race #2 America's Friend (enter back) no refund – part of entry

06/12/08²

RULING

HRTH #88

Trainer GARY MANDELLA, who started the horse Come Over Again, the winner of the second race at Santa Anita Park on March 21, 2008, is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS* (\$400.00) 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 – Methocarbamol – Class VI).

This ruling was issued after Mr. Mandella responded to a complaint filed against him for a Robaxin positive. His horse Come Over Again was found to have the drug in its system following the second race at Santa Anita Park on March 21, 2008. The horse finished first.

Mr. Mandella said the only Robaxin the horse received was from an injection of the drug from a member of the Blea/Von Bleucher veterinarian group. He further stated that there was no oral Robaxin in the barn at that time.

06/12/08³

RULING

HRTH Ruling #89

Apprentice jockey JOSE CAMPOS is suspended for three (3) racing days (June 19, 20, and 21, 2008), for altering course without sufficient clearance and causing interference which resulted in the disqualification of his mount from fifth to ninth position in the fifth race at Hollywood Park on June 11, 2008. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (d) and (f) (Riding Rules – Careless Riding). Terms of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

This ruling was issued after Campos had viewed the video of the fifth race from June 11, in which his mount was disqualified for interference entering the stretch. Campos had no reasonable explanation for the violation.

06/12/08⁴

FITNESS HEARING

Groom Darryl Kemper was approved for a license after a fitness hearing with the Stewards. Bob Fletcher of the Winner's Foundation accompanied Kemper and explained that Kemper had been in compliance with guidelines set forth by that group.

06/12/08⁵

TRAINER IN

Trainer Kenneth Black was in the office today in response to a complaint filed against him which stated that he had been arrested for possession of narcotics. Black denied the charges, stating that in March of this year he had been stopped by LaVerne police for a traffic violation. Officers ran his license and determined that he had a bench warrant outstanding for a health and safety code violation. They assumed that it involved drugs. In reality, Black had been cited for illegal fireworks, which is also a health and safety code offense. He did not appear in court, prompting the judge to issue the warrant. Black was told to contact authorities and provide documentation to support his statements.

06/12/08⁶

COMPLAINT SETTLED

A complaint filed by Del Mar Thoroughbred Club against Martin Pedroza for the return of fees earned by riding a horse which subsequently tested positive for a Class III drug was settled, as an agreement was reached with Paymaster Bridget Crawford. A total of \$8,728.00 will be paid in installments.

06/12/08⁷

RULING

HRTH #90

Trainer JEFF MULLINS is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS* (\$100.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1852 (Reporting to the Receiving Barn – Late) and #1894 (Duties of Trainer) with his horse “Runforthemoneybaby” on May 30, 2008 at Hollywood Park.

This ruling was issued after the trainer acknowledged his guilt in having his horse arrive late to the Receiving Barn.

06/12/08⁸

RULING

HRTH #91

Owner JOSE J. RODRIGUEZ, having satisfied his financial obligation, is restored to good standing. LATS ruling #52, issued at Santa Anita Park on February 08, 2007 for failure to appear, is set aside.

This ruling was issued after it was learned that Rodriguez had settled a debt with Southern California Equine.

06/12/08⁹

ROUTINE PROGRAM

All matters during the course of the racing program were routine.

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	3,488	828,589.90
SATELLITES	5,106	2,114,600.40
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	772,700.80
OUT OF STATE	n/a	3,636,281.22
TOTALS	8,594	\$7,352,172.32

**FRIDAY
06/13/08¹**

A. M. DECLARATIONS

6th race #6 Herecometheirish (Vet – injured) refund of \$799.90
8th race #10 Cool Silky (Vet – unsound) refund of \$1,762.30

06/13/08²

EVENING PROGRAM

All matters during the course of the racing program were routine.

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	10,438	1,158,619.60
SATELLITES	6,173	2,094,898.60
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	1,141,193.20
OUT OF STATE	n/a	3,292,414.85
TOTALS	16,611	\$7,687,126.25

**SATURDAY
06/14/08¹**

A.M. DECLARATIONS

1st race #5 Scibelli (Vet – injured) see minute entry 06/14/08³
2nd race #3 Spring Style (Vet – injured) refund of \$1,345.00
4th race #4 Big Red Bean (Vet – unsound) refund of \$1,317.43
5th race #3 Whatwillbewillbe (Stewards–ownership transfer)
refund of \$1,318.90
9th race #1 Shootist (Vet – sick) see minute entry 06/14/08⁴

06/14/08²

RULING

HRTH #92

Owner CARL L. LACKEY, having satisfied his financial obligation, is restored to good standing. OTTS ruling #29, issued at Oak Tree Racing Association on October 21, 2007, for failure to appear, is set aside.

This ruling was issued after it was learned that Mr. Lackey had settled a debt for veterinary services to Dr. Skip Park.

06/14/08³

REFUND

A refund was ordered in the first race as #3 Holy Humor flipped in the saddling paddock and was declared on the recommendation of Racing Veterinarian Bailey. The refund amounted to \$25,817.22.

06/14/08⁴

REFUND

The Stewards ordered a refund in the ninth race as #5 Currency Trader failed to warm up to the satisfaction of Racing Veterinarian Bailey and was declared on her advice. The refund totaled \$79,988.81.

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	6,569	1,852,456.60
SATELLITES	9,043	3,911,388.40
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	1,185,172.20
OUT OF STATE	n/a	5,081,400.35
TOTALS	15,612	\$12,030,417.55

SUNDAY
06/15/08¹

A.M. DECLARATIONS

- 1st race #7 Royal Taat (Vet – injured) refund of \$2,474.90
- 2nd race #12 Winningdancer (AE)
 #13 Sweet Yvett (AE)
 #14 Veranda Café (AE) refund of \$1,954.94
- 7th race #8 Bettin An Sweatin (Vet – injured) refund of \$12,699.98
- 8th race #2 Trevor’s Clever (Stakes)
 #4 Ez Dreamer (Stakes) refund of \$3,986.68

6/15/08²

RULING

HRTH #93

Trainer SILVERIO MARTINEZ is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS* (\$100.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1852 (Reporting to the Receiving Barn – Late) and #1894 (Duties of Trainer) with his horse “December Sky” on May 30, 2008 at Hollywood Park.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Martinez did not have an acceptable excuse for failing to have his horse December Sky in the receiving Barn at the proper time.

06/15/08³

RULING

HRTH #94

Jockey LUIS CONTRERAS is fined THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (b) (Use of Whips) on June 04, 2008 at Hollywood Park.

The preceding ruling was issued after a discussion with the rider regarding his cutting the horse Lake Day Jur with the whip during the running of the fourth race at Hollywood Park on June 4, 2008. Contreras was apologetic, stating that this was the first time he had injured a horse with his whip. His disciplinary history supports his statement.

06/15/08⁴

RIDER EXCUSED

Jockey Richard Migliore was excused from his mount in the second race as he encountered problems with his automobile while on his way to Hollywood Park. A replacement rider was named.

LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	HANDLE
ON TRACK	7,522	2,063,303.60
SATELLITES	7,915	3,296,627.70
TVG/XPRESS/YOUBET	n/a	1,547,635.70
OUT OF STATE	n/a	4,979,901.40
TOTALS	15,437	\$11,887,468.40

Additions/Removals from Vet List

Week of: 6-09-08 – 6-15-08

Track: Hollywood

Horses on Vet List:	<u>16</u>
Horses off Vet List:	<u>18</u>
Shockwave Therapy:	<u>26</u>
Deceased:	<u>04</u>

SUMMARY

	6/11	6/12	6/13	6/14	6/15		Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0		0	5
Cal-Bred Races	0	2	3	1	0		6	46
Claims	4	3	3	1	5		16	99
Disqualifications	1	0	0	0	0		1	6
Inquiries	1	0	0	0	0		1	18
Refunds	3	1	0	1	2		15	212
Rulings	1	3	0	1	2		7	94

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ward, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

C. Scott Chaney, Steward

TW/dm