



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

### LOS ALAMITOS WINTER THOROUGHBRED MEET LOS ALAMITOS RACING ASSOCIATION

#### To the California Horse Racing Board

HONORABLE EDMUND G. BROWN JR. GOVERNOR  
HONORABLE CHUCK WINNER, CHAIRMAN  
HONORABLE MADELINE AUERBACH, MEMBER  
HONORABLE STEVE BENETO, MEMBER  
HONORABLE JESSE H. CHOPER, MEMBER  
HONORABLE GEORGE KRICKORIAN, MEMBER  
HONORABLE ALEX SOLIS, MEMBER  
RICK BAEDEKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
JACQUELINE WAGNER, ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
ROBERT B. MILLER, CHIEF COUNSEL CHRB  
DARREL MCHARGUE, CHIEF STEWARD

For the period: Thursday, December 8, 2016, through Sunday, December 18, 2016.

\* \* \* \* \*

WEEK 2 - Thursday, December 15, 2016 through Sunday, December 18, 2016.

#### WEDNESDAY

12/14/16<sup>1</sup>

#### ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES

Luis Jauregui was present to oversee entries and scratches.

#### THURSDAY

12/15/16<sup>1</sup>

#### NEW APPRENTICE

Apprentice jockey Lucas Gutierrez from France was issued an apprentice certificate today. He has been in the United States galloping for local trainers for the last two months. He is nineteen years old, tacks 115 lbs and has won two races in France, which entitles him to the ten pound apprentice allowance until his fifth win. Agent Derrick Lawson will handle his riding assignments.

12/15/16<sup>2</sup>

#### VOIDED CLAIM

After a physical examination by Official Veterinarian Tim Grande #8 ALABAMA TIDE who raced in the second race, was placed on the Veterinarian's List due to unsoundness. This made the claim void and the horse returned to the stable of Mike Puype.

12/15/16<sup>3</sup>

#### DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race	#1 Mudge (Tr. J. Sierra) claimed by Tr. J. Avalos Refund \$0
2nd race	#5 Fans On the Run (Tr. S. Gonzalez) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead #8 Alabama Tide (Tr. M. Puype) claimed by Tr. M. Mudaris - VOID Refund \$754.00

3rd race #7 Ellie Von Shtupp (Tr. M. Harrington) Steward-loose post parade  
Refund \$4,692.00

4th race #2 Most Notorious (Tr. R. Kenney) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead  
Refund \$179.00

5th race #9 Dumont (Tr. R. Agarie ) S. Gonzalez replaced apprentice L. Gutierrez (2 yr. old)  
Refund \$0

6th race No Changes; Refund \$0

7th race #5 Wildfire Kid (Tr. M. Glatt) claimed by Tr. P. Miller  
Refund \$0

8th race #1 River Rider (Tr. S. Scolamieri) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead  
Refund \$307.00

12/15/16<sup>4</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	1,031	\$289,051.80
Off Track	3,126	\$904,006.50
Out -of-State	N/A	\$3,312,944.06
Total	4,157	\$4,506,002.36

**FRIDAY**12/16/16<sup>1</sup>**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Christian Aragon met with the BOS as directed to review the start of the seventh race yesterday. Soon after the start Mr. Aragon aboard #8 crossed over to the four path causing the rider aboard #4 to take up and alter course. Mr. Aragon was very candid in admitting he crossed over too sharply, in a unanimous decision the following ruling was issued:

**RULING LWTL #006**

Jockey CHRISTIAN ARAGON, who rode JUSTAMITCH in the seventh race at Los Alamitos Race Course on December 15, 2016, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (December 26, 29 & 30) for crossing over without sufficient clearance shortly after the start, causing interference. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rules – careless riding). Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races in California

12/16/16<sup>2</sup>**JOCKEY OBJECTION NO CHANGE FIRST RACE-5 1/2 furlongs**

Following the running of the race apprentice Edger Orozco aboard #4 CHANGING KARMA (2nd) lodged a claim of foul against #5 OUTTHINK'EM (J. Verenzuela 1st). Soon after the start, approaching the 5/8 marker, #5 drifted inward causing #4 to check slightly. After a review of the angles available, conversation with both jockeys and the Patrol Judge, in a unanimous decision the BOS felt the infraction did not cost #4 the opportunity of a better placing and the race was made official.

12/16/16<sup>3</sup>**JOCKEY OBJECTION NO CHANGE THIRD RACE-1 mile**

Following the running of the race Agapito Delgadillo aboard #5 LOVELY RAQUEL (5th) lodged a claim of foul against #8 MIDNIGHT TEST (J. Theriot 1st). Near the 3/8 marker #8 changed leads, dropped inward and bumped #5 to his inside. After a review of the incident, conversation with both jockeys and the Patrol Judge, in a unanimous decision the original order of finish was made official. Although there was contact between the two horses, the BOS felt #5 was not cost the opportunity of a better placing.

12/16/16<sup>4</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race #7 Captain Akers (Tr. J. Avalos) Veterinarian - sick - Dr. Stead  
Refund \$576.00

2nd race No Changes; Refund \$0

3rd race #1 Secret Wonder (Tr. R. Baltus) Veterinarian – sick - Dr. Stead  
#3 Utana (Tr. J. Shirreffs) Steward – track - condition  
Refund \$1,196.00

4th race #1 Gypsy's Rule (Tr. A. Sherman) claimed by Tr. M. Mudaris  
 #2 Sallyana (Tr. K. Molinaro) Veterinarian - sick - Dr. Grande  
 #3 Avicii (Tr. R. Diodoro) claimed by Tr. D. O'Neill  
 Refund \$371.00

5th race #4 Frandontjudge (Tr. R. Diodoro) claimed by Tr. J. Periban  
 #8 Joan of Arch (Tr. S. Gonzalez) claimed by Tr. R. Diodoro  
 Refund \$0

6th race No Changes; Refund \$0

7th race #2 Bluegrass Bronco (Tr. C. Treece) claimed by Tr. B. Koriner  
 #5 Bronziro (FR) (Tr. T.R. Bell II) Steward - track condition  
 Refund \$608.00

8th race #4 Wild Mischief (Tr. M. Schwizer) Veterinarian - sick - Dr. Grande  
 #12 Pop Pop's Pizza (Tr. P. D'Amato) Steward - track condition  
 Refund \$3,881.00

12/16/16<sup>5</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	1,065	\$310,286.90
Off Track	3,456	\$1,086,523.70
Out -of-State	N/A	\$3,695,352.53
Total	4,521	\$5,092,163.13

**SATURDAY**12/17/16<sup>1</sup>**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Jamie Theriot met with the Stewards to review the third race yesterday in which he was involved in a jockey's objection, (ref 12-16-16<sup>3</sup>). Mr. Theriot angled in approaching the 3/8 marker making contact with a horse to his inside. The BOS felt the infraction was not penalty worthy but he was cautioned to be less aggressive in the future. He stated he would comply.

12/17/16<sup>2</sup>**CHROME RACING**

The nine race card was completed without notable incident other than "California Chrome" winning the "Winter Challenge", which was his last prep for the "Pegasus World Cup" to be run in Florida on January 28, 2017 at Gulfstream Park. There was an estimated on track crowd of 5,023 and \$740,956 was wagered in the win pool, \$651,902 specifically on CALIFORNIA CHROME. There was a minus total win pool of \$58,000 in the win wager only event.

12/17/16<sup>3</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race #9 Sriracha Cat (Tr. R. Lucas) Steward-track condition. Refund \$610.00

2nd race No Changes; Refund \$0

3rd race #12 Blazing Miss (Tr. S. Knapp) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead  
 Refund \$228.00

4th race #2 Empress Suiko (Tr. M. Jones) K. Desormeaux replaced N. Arroyo Jr. (personal)  
 Refund \$303.00

5th race #2 Luckarack (Tr. M. Pender) J. Talamo replaced N. Arroyo Jr. (personal)  
 #5 Boompa (Tr. M. Puype) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande  
 Refund \$946.00

6th race #1 Big Champion (Tr. D. O'Neill) J. Talamo replaced N. Arroyo Jr. (personal)  
 #10 Blue Ridge Mtn. (Tr. K. Castaneda) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Grande  
 Refund \$100.00

7th race #1 Pageau (Tr. K. Desormeaux) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Stead  
 #8 Blame It On Kenji (Tr. R. Agarie) Veterinarian-unsound-Dr. Stead  
 #9 Gosofar (Tr. A. Kitchingman) J. Talamo replaced N. Arroyo Jr. (personal)  
 Refund \$273.00

8th race #4 Indygo Holiday (Tr. S. McCarthy) J. Talamo replaced N. Arroyo Jr. (personal)

9th race **WIN WAGER ONLY**; Refund \$2,304.00

12/17/16<sup>4</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	5,023	\$748,824.30
Off Track	6,032	\$2,198,376.60
Out –of-State	N/A	\$7,259,979.91
Total	11,055	\$10,207,180.81

**SUNDAY**12/18/16<sup>1</sup>**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Jose Verenzuela met with the Stewards to review a jockey's objection in the first race on Thursday December 16, 2016 (ref: 12-16-16<sup>2</sup>). Soon after the start, Mr. Verenzuela drifted inward while marginally clear of a horse on his inside. He left the office with a warning.

Christian Aragon met with the Stewards to review a possible crop violation in the first race yesterday. He quickly acknowledged his overuse of the crop and the following ruling was issued:

Ruling LWTL #007

Jockey CHRISTIAN ARAGON is fined ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* for violation of the California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond – first offense within the previous sixty days) during the first race at Los Alamitos Race Course on December 17, 2016.

12/18/16<sup>2</sup>**GOOD RACING**

The closing day nine race card was completed without notable incident. Any Changes made are listed below.

12/18/16<sup>3</sup>**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race #1 Sapodilla (Tr. M. Jones) S. Gonzalez replaced N. Arroyo Jr. (personal)  
#4 Tizapartygirl (Tr. M. Jones) Steward – Loose post parade  
#6 Spindle (Tr. M. Puype) claimed by Tr. W.E. Morey  
Refund \$6,927.00

2nd race No Changes; Refund \$958.00

3rd race #2 Dahlia Azul (Tr. V. Belvoir) J. Talamo replaced N. Arroyo, Jr. (personal)  
Refund \$0

4th race #9 Strong Leader (Tr. P. Eurton) DNF  
Refund \$44.00

5th race #1 Miz Graycee (Tr. R.B. Hess, Jr.) J. Talamo replaced N. Arroyo Jr. (personal)  
#5 Warren's Tea Party (Tr. R. DeLeon) Veterinarian-unsound - Dr. Grande  
Refund \$372.00

6th race No change; Refund \$0

7th race #2 Mr Ability (Tr. D. O'Neill) Stewards - stakes  
Refund \$724.00

8th race #6 Autumn Twilight (Tr. S. Miyadi) Veterinarian – sick- Dr. Grande  
Refund \$2,597.00

9th race No change; Refund \$17.00

12/18/16<sup>4</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	1,751	\$390,899.40
Off Track	4,777	\$1,531,726.20
Out –of-State	N/A	\$4,878,851.58
Total	6,528	\$6,801,477.18

**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.

**SUMMARY**

	Thurs 12/15	Fri 12/16	Sat 12/17	Sun 12/18	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	0	1	2	1	4	11
Claims	2	6	1	1	10	21
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inquiries	0	2	0	0	2	3
Refunds	4	5	7	7	23	37
Rulings	1	1	0	1	3	7
Voided Claims	1	0	0	0	1	2

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kim Sawyer, Steward

\_\_\_\_\_  
Tom Ward, Steward

\_\_\_\_\_  
Luis Jauregui, Steward

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ron Church, Steward