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**Postmortem Examination Review Summary #2025G02**

Horse Information: Three-year-old Thoroughbred.

Incident Summary: While awaiting saddling in the stall, the tied horse spooked and began pulling back. The right side of his head struck the concrete wall, causing acute trauma. The horse fell to the ground, and had impaired coordination, involuntary eye movements, and was unable to stand despite veterinary treatment. The horse was humanely euthanized.

Necropsy Summary: A necropsy examination revealed the complete and incomplete fractures of the occipital and basisphenoid bones, respectively.

Racing/Training History: The horse had 20 lifetime starts, mostly in claiming races.

Veterinary History Summary: Both knees were radiographed in 2023.

Pre-race Examinations: Pre-race examinations had noted joint capsule hypertrophy and a decreased range of motion in both front fetlock joints. Post race in 2023 the left shin was noted to have slight sensitivity.

Conclusion: This horse suffered a tragic accident in the stall where the horse spooked, pulled back, and had acute head trauma resulting in a fractured skull. The horse was humanely euthanized.