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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Golden Gate Fields, Berkeley California
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Report for the Week of Wednesday, February 1, 2023, through Sunday, February 5, 2023.

WEDNESDAY

2/1/23¹**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward **Grant Baker** was in the office to oversee the entries for Saturday, February 4, 2023.

THURSDAY

2/2/23¹**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward **Grant Baker** was once again present in the office to oversee the entries for Sunday February 5, 2023.

FRIDAY

2/3/23¹**DECLARATONS**

3RD Race #2 **Rose Princess** (Tr. **Quentin Miller**)

Sick – **DVM Batten**

Refund – See Below

3RD Race #4 **Miss Arrowhead** (Tr. **Reid France**)

Injured – **DVM Batten**

Refund \$536.05

5TH Race #6 **Davenport** (Tr. **Blaine Wright**)

Sick – **DVM Parker**

Refund – See Below

5TH Race #7 **R Silver Flash** (Tr. **Leanna Ekstrom**)

Unsound – **DVM Hassan**

Refund \$341.90
7TH Race #6 **Anitanewmercedes** (Tr.I. Tamayo)
Sick – **DVM Batten**
Refund \$240.35

2/3/23²

WAGERING CLOSED EARLY – 3RD RACE

The Stewards received a phone call at 1:48 p.m. from Amtote Technician **Alex Miranda** asking if we had locked the wagering for the third race. We had not locked wagering and **Ms. Miranda** stated she would try to determine what occurred.

The projected post time for the third race was 1:48 p.m. and the third went off at 1:50p.m.

The initial conjecture suggests a possible power surge involving **Roberts Communications Network** that provides internet, audio, and video to the tracks in California.

The CHRB Investigative staff was requested to research the issue.

2/3/23³

CLAIM VOIDED – 8TH RACE

The claim submitted by trainer **Jack Steiner** for the three year old filly **Always California** (Tr. **Adam Kitchingman**) was voided by the Stewards after they were notified by the Official Veterinarian, **Forrest Franklin, DVM** that the filly was unsound on the left foreleg and placed on the Veterinarian's list.

Always California was returned **Mr. Kitchingman's** barn.

2/3/23⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	290	\$146,630.20
Out of state	n/a	\$908,924.98
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$142,803.98
Total	290	\$1,535,012.40

SATURDAY

2/4/23¹

DECLARATIONS

5TH Race #2 **Way Too Hot** (Tr. **D. Wayne Baker**)

Sick – **DVM Batten**

Refund - See Below

5TH Race #3 **Escape Free (IRE)** (Tr **Manuel Badilla**)

Injured – **DVM Batten**

Refund \$307.12

9TH Race #6 **Caisson** (Tr. **Manuel Ortiz, Sr.**)

Sick – **DVM Parker**

Refund \$374.83

2/4/23²

TRAINER TIMOTHY BELLASIS (22GG0001)

Trainer **Timothy Bellasis** appeared before the Board of Stewards to address the complaint filed against him by the CHRB got alleged violation of CHRB Rule #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting), #1854 (Exclusion from receiving and detention barn) and #1874 (Disorderly Conduct).

Mr. Bellasis consented to a tape recorded hearing.

2/4/23 CHRB Investigator **Jennifer Tolman** presented the case based on a GGF Security report and her own investigation regarding an incident in the receiving – test barn involving Trainer **Timothy Bellasis** and Official Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin DVM**.

According to the complaint **Mr. Bellasis** received a call on his cell phone while colling out his horse (**Walking Boss**) in the receiving – test barn following the third race on January 7, 2023. **Dr. Franklin** instructed **Mr. Bellasis** to put the phone away and an argument ensued with inappropriate language being used by the latter.

Decision forthcoming.

2/4/23³ **CLAIM VOIDED – 2ND RACE**

The Stewards voided the claim submitted by Trainer **Manuel Badilla** for the three year old filly **Big Gift** (Tr. **Steven Specht**) after being notified by the Official Veterinarian, **Forrest Franklin, DVM**, that the filly was unsound in the right foreleg and placed on the Veterinarians list. **Big Gift** was returned to **Mr. Specht's** barn.

2/4/23⁴ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	640	\$286,895.70
Out of state	n/a	\$1,480,039.32
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$338,080.08
Total	1,815	\$2,758,132.08

SUNDAY

2/5/23¹

DECLARATIONS

4TH Race #5 **Royal 'N Rando** (Tr. **Steve Specht**)

Sick – **DVM Batten**

Refund \$272.00

5TH Race #3 **King Bob** (Tr. **Gary Greiner**)

Sick – **DVM Hassan**

Refund \$239.05

7TH Race #3 **Doge of Venice** (Tr. **Reid France**)

Sick – **DVM Batten**

Refund \$239.65

2/5/23²

RULING #19 TIMOTHY BELLASIS (REFER 2/4/23²)

Trainer **TIMOTHY BELLASIS** is fined Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rules #1437 (Conditions of a Race Meeting) and #1874 (Disorderly Conduct) – unauthorized use of cell phone in the Receiving Barn at Golden Gate Fields on January 7, 2023.

The foregoing Ruling was issued after the Board of Stewards considered the merits of the complaint filed against **Mr. Bellasis** presented in the tape recorded hearing held on February 4, 2023.

2/5/23³

INQUIRY – NO CHANGE – 5TH RACE

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign following the fifth race for a review of an incident in the strength involving #2 **Synnin and Winnin (Evin Roman)** third race #7 **Wakes and Weddings (Alexander Chavez)** who finished sixth.

After considering the Patrol Judges report, talking with the riders involved and reviewing the video, the Stewards decided unanimously to make the original order of finish official.

The video shows #2 **Synnin and Winnin** shift out, bump, and impede #7 **Wakes and Weddings** near the 3/16 pole. However, the incident was not the reason for latter finishing last in this six horse field.

2/5/23⁴

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	645	\$280,742.08
Out of state	n/a	1,706,814.25
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$336,597.15
Total	1,658	\$2,920,927.55

SUMMARY

	Fri 2/3	Sat 2/4	Sun 2/5	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	2	3
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	0	0	0
Claims	2	7	4	13	56
Disqualification	0	0	0	1	1
Inquiries	0	0	1	1	6
Refunds	2	3	3	8	108
Rulings	0	0	1	1	15
Voided Claims	1	1	0	2	10

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
3-Feb	2	2	Rose Princess	Q. Miller	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$78.50
3-Feb	4	2	Miss Arrowhead	R. France	Injured	Dr. Batten	\$41.00
3-Feb	5	6	Davenport	B. Wright	Sick	Dr. Parker	See Below
3-Feb	5	7	R Silver Flash	L. Ekstrom	Unsound	Dr. Hassan	\$341.90
3-Feb	7	6	Anitanewmercedes	I.Tamayo	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$240.35
4-Feb	5	2	Escape Free (IRE)	M. Badilla	Injured	D. Batten	See Below
4-Feb	5	3	Way to Hot	D.W. Baker	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$307.12
4-Feb	9	6	Caisson	M. Ortiz Sr.	Sick	Dr. Hassan	\$374.83
5-Feb	4	5	Royal 'N Rando	S. Specht	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$272.00
5-Feb	5	3	King Bob	G. Greiner	Sick	Dr. Hassan	\$239.05
5-Feb	7	3	Doge of Venice	R. France	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$239.65

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Nevin, Steward

Will Meyers, Steward

Grant Baker, Steward