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Report for the Week of Wednesday, February 15, 2023, through Monday, February 20, 2023.WEDNESDAY2/15/23¹**ENTRY DAY**

Racing Secretary **Steve Martinelli** and his staff were on duty today accepting entries for Sunday, February 19, 2023. Nine (9) races were drawn with sixty-six (66) horses scheduled to start. Safety Steward **Richard Lewis** is overseeing entries and replacing Steward **Will Meyers** (Medical) today thru President's Day, Monday February 20th. Steward **Grant Baker** will work as Safety Steward today and tomorrow (Feb 16).

THURSDAY2/16/23¹**ENTRY DAY**

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Monday February 20, 2023 (President's Day) sixty-five (65) horses are slated to compete over the course of nine (9) races. **Richard Lewis** was the Duty Steward.

FRIDAY2/17/23¹**KEVIN RADKE FILM REVIEW**

Jockey **Kevin Radke** appeared in our office to review his winning ride aboard #1 **Memo Daddy (CHI)** in the fourth race on Sunday February 12, 2023. In this 1¹/₆-mile main track event, #1 **Memo Daddy (CHI)** is leading with one (1) furlong to race. Jockey **Radke** begins to wander outward as he uses his riding crop (left-handed) once, while doing so. Second place finisher #2 **Sunny Spot (Armando Ayuso)** checked his mount slightly while reacting to Jockey **Radke's** errant path.

After much discussion, the Steward's, in a unanimous decision, issued a 'warning' for this ride. **Mr. Radke** received the benefit of the doubt, in a very sub-par ride.

2/17/23²

ADRIAN ESCOBEDO FILMS REVIEW (REF: 2/12/23⁴)

Apprentice Jockey **Adrian Escobedo** appeared in our office to review his ride in the first race on Sunday February 12, 2023. Apprentice **Escobedo** was aboard #4 **Que Sera Sir Ralph**, who finished third and was disqualified and placed sixth (last), for interference in the stretch.

Today's film review shows #4 **Que Sera Sir Ralph** drift in twice in the homestretch. The second drift forced rival Jockey **Edwin Gonzalez** aboard #2 **Runaway Kristin** (original sixth place) to check his mount sharply and lose much ground.

There was a second incident that the Stewards reviewed with Apprentice **Escobedo** that involved confusion on the clubhouse turn (⁷/₈ths pole). This incident did not factor into the Steward's decision. The following ruling which was the result of a unanimous decision.

Ruling #23

Apprentice Jockey **ADRIAN ESCOBEDO** who rode **QUE SERA SIR RALPH** in the first race on Sunday, February 12, 2023 at Golden Gate Fields is suspended three (3) racing days, February 24, 25, and 26, 2023, for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch, causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from third to sixth; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (Riding Rules – Careless Riding).

2/17/23³

CARLOS BARBOSA FILM REVIEWS

Apprentice Jockey **Carlos Barbosa** appeared in the Stewards' office to review his rides in the seventh and eighth races on Sunday February 12, 2023. He was accompanied by his agent **Nelson Arroyo** who served as an interpreter.

7TH Race Review – Apprentice **Barbosa** is racing in the back of the field (8 horses) in this one (1) mile main track event. **Barbosa**, aboard eighth place finisher #4 **Grigoro**, clips the heels of sixth place finisher. #6 **Remember Sue (Edwin Gonzalez)**. Today's review shows that the eighteen (18) year old **Barbosa** caused his own traffic problems in this event and was shown the race with hopes it will lead to safer riding.

8TH Race Review – In this six (6) furlong race Apprentice **Barbosa** was aboard seventh place finisher #1 **Iconic Sky**. Film reviews shows **Barbosa** off balance on this horse for the first three (3) strides out of the gate. These film reviews weren't for disciplinary reasons but were for educational purposes.

2/17/23⁴

VOIDED CLAIM – RACE 4

CHRB Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin** reported that #6 **Will is Chill** (4TH Race) was viewed as being unsound following today's 4TH Race. The claim dropped by Trainer **Steve Specht** was subsequently voided by the Stewards.

2/17/23⁵

GOOD RACING

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

2/17/23⁶

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

2ND Race Jockey Change #6 **Gold Rush Gal E. Garcia** for **R. Orantes** - taking break from riding.

3RD Race Jockey Change #2 **Moonshine Cat A. Espinoza** for **A. Ayuso** – wife is having a baby

4TH Race #5 **Ecologist** (Tr. **E. Moger Jr.**) claimed, **S. Calvario**, trainer

#6 **Will is Chill** (Tr. **J. Ramos**) claimed, **S. Specht**, trainer **VOID – UNSOUND**

5TH Race Declaration #1 **Hiis Reina** (Tr. **J. Wong**)

Injured – **Karen Hassan DVM** Refund \$196.40

5TH Race Jockey Change #3 **That's Amare E. Gonzalez** for **A. Ayuso** – wife is having a baby
 6TH Race #4 **Excessive Cat** (Tr. **R. France**) claimed, **J. Uranga**, trainer
 7TH Race Declaration #1 **Zelaia** (Tr. **V. Trujillo**)
 Injured – **Karen Hassan DVM** Refund \$197.90
 7TH Race #3 **Scherzo (GB)** (Tr. **M. Badilla**) claimed, **S. Calvario**, trainer
 #5 **Imperial Creed** (Tr. **R. Amescua**) claimed, **S. Calvario**, trainer
 8TH Race Declaration #9 **Smokin Blaze** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**)
 Sick – **Casille Batten DVM** Refund \$119.39
 8TH Race Jockey Change #2 **Sgt. Powell F. Monroy** for **A. Ayuso** – wife is having a baby

2/17/23⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	327	\$174,099.84
Out of state	n/a	\$1,240,515.25
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$197,465.86
Total	1,104	\$1,986,406.16

SATURDAY

2/18/23¹

STEWARD CHANGE

Steward **John Yinger** is filling in today for Steward **Will Meyers**, who is off for medical reasons.

2/18/23²

OFFICIAL CHANGE

Patrol Judge **Tomas Smith** is off today for personal reasons. Assistant Racing Secretary **Ken Sjoldal** will fill in.

2/18/23³

FERNANDO NAVARRO RULING

We requested that Jockey Agent **Fernando Navarro** come to the Stewards' office Mr. **Navarro** named one of his jockeys on an entry at the draw on Wednesday February 15. The trainer of the horse in question did not wish for the services of **Mr. Navarro's** jockey and a change was made. The Steward's, in a unanimous decision, issued the following ruling.

Ruling #24

Jockey Agent **FERNANDO NAVARRO** is fined One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) failing to conduct his business in a proper manner on February 15, 2023; a violation of CHRB Rule #1530 (Cases not Covered by Rules and Regulations).

2/18/23⁴

SMOOTH CARD

Today's nine (9) race card featured the \$75,000 Guaranteed El Dorado Shooter Stakes. Today's races were free of Stewards' inquiries and/or jockey objections.

2/18/23⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

1ST Race Declarations #1 **Naughty Flirt** (Tr. **D. Wayne Baker**)
 Unsound – **Karen Hassan DVM**
 #5 **River Avenue** (Tr. **E. Jackson**) Sick – **Karen Hassan DVM** Refund Total \$490.17
 1ST Race No Show Wagering
 2ND Race Declaration #4 **First Style** (Tr. **G. Preciado**)
 Injured – **Karen Hassan DVM** Refund \$ 164.64
 2ND Race #2 **Gator Shining** (Tr. **Q. Howey**) claimed, **C. DeAlba**, trainer
 2ND Race Wagering Cancel \$1 Rolling Super High Five
 3RD Race Declaration #4 **Que Sera Sir Ralph** (Tr. **T. McCanna**)
 Entry Panel – **Stewards**. See Below
 3RD Race #5 **Danny Michael** (Tr. **S. Ledezma**) claimed, **I. Tamayo**, trainer

#6 **Luck is Golden** (Tr. **M. Meier**) claimed, **J. Wong**, trainer
 Refund Total \$ 238.08
 5TH Race Declaration #1 **Big Jolt** (Tr. **V. Trujillo**) Sick – **Casille Batten DVM**
 Refund \$ 42.00
 6TH Race Declaration #1 **In Honor of Autism** (Tr. **J Wong**)
 Sick – **Karen Hassan DVM** Refund \$530.64
 6TH Race Wagering Cancel \$1 Rolling Super High Five
 7TH Race Declarations #3 **Princesa Del Tigre** (Tr. **T. McCanna**)
 Entry Panel – **Stewards** Refund \$ 607.29
 7TH Race Wagering Cancel \$1 Rolling Super High Five
 8TH Race Declaration #5 **Better Trip Nick** (Tr. **J. Steiner**)
 Stake – **Stewards** Refund \$ 374.26
 9TH Race Declarations #5 **Li Mu Bai (IRE)** (Tr. **J. Wong**) Not Eligible – **Stewards**
 #6 **Rocktilyoudrop** (Tr. **E. Moger Jr.**) Injured – **Karen Hassan DVM**
 Refund Total \$600.63
 9TH Race Wagering Cancel \$1 Rolling Super High Five
 9TH Race Ownership #4 **Anitanewmercedes** should read '**Frankly Speaking LLC**'

2/18/23⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	691	\$313,034.16
Out of state	n/a	\$1,185,953.75
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$275,141.20
Total	1,924	\$2,462,325.52

SUNDAY
 2/19/23¹

STEWARD CHANGE

Safety Steward **Richard Lewis** filled in for Steward **Will Meyers** today. Chief Steward **Darrel McHargue** filled in as Safety Steward.

2/19/23²

TRACK VISITOR

Former Bay Meadows & Golden Gate Fields employee **Jon Forbes** paid a visit to the Judges Stand today. **Forbes**, a graduate of the University of Arizona RTIP program, served in the publicity and racing departments about fifteen (15) years ago.

2/19/23³

SECOND RACE INQUIRY

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign following today's second race which was contested at one (1) mile on the main track. Film review of this race show's three (3) horses across the racetrack From the inside out they were:

- #4 **Koko's Mom (Silvio Amador** – Dead Heat – 3RD Place)
- #5 **Cry Me a River (Frank Alvarado** – 7TH Place)
- #6 **Oat Milk Latte (Irving Orozco** – 5TH Place)

#5 **Cry Me a River** steadies from between horses in mid-stretch. Our analysis determined the primary interference was #4 **Koko's Mom** who shifted out to make racing room for herself after racing along the rail. #6 **Oak Milk Latte** was lugging in during this incident and contributed to the interference slightly. The Stewards, in a unanimous decision, voted to let the original placings stand. Jockey **Silvio Amador** was ordered to film review with the Stewards.

2/19/23⁴

SEVENTH RACE INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the Inquiry sign in order to conduct a review of an incident that occurred shortly after the start of this six (6) furlong event. Film review shows original second place finisher #8 **Daniela Bella (Edwin Gonzalez)** break in sharply and make contact with original sixth place finisher #7 **Nan Elizabeth (Bryan Pena)**. Shortly after the initial contact #7 **Nan Elizabeth** clips heels, loses much ground and nearly unseats Jockey **Bryan Pena**. The Steward's spoke to both jockeys involved, received a patrol judge report and reviewed all camera angles of the incident.

In a unanimous decision #8 **Daniela Bella** was disqualified and placed sixth. Jockey **Edwin Gonzalez** was ordered to film review with the Stewards.

Original Order of Finish 1- ~~8~~- 4- 2- 6- 7- 9
 Official Order of Finish 1- 4 -2- 6- 7 -~~8~~- 9

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DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1ST Race Declaration #2 **Princesa Del Tigre** (Tr. **T. McCanna**)
 Not Eligible – **Stewards** Refunds \$ 420.69
 5TH Race Declarations #2 **Runaway Kristin** (Tr. **J. Puentes**)
 Sick – **Karen Hassan DVM** Refund Total \$ 451.97
 #6 **Polacco** (Tr. **J. Wong**) Sick – **Karen Hassan DVM**
 5TH Race Wagering Cancel \$1 Rolling Super High Five
 6TH Race #3 **Sugar Beets** (Tr. **M. Badilla**) claimed, **M. Meier**, trainer
 #4 **Roister** (Tr. **J. Thomas**) claimed, **M. Glatt**, trainer
 #7 **Hans Gruber** (Tr. **O.J. Jauregui**) claimed, **R. France**, trainer
 7TH Race Declarations #3 **Clochard Street** (Tr. **J. Puentes**)
 Sick – **Karen Hassan DVM**
 #5 **Silk Road Sally** (Tr. **F. Rondan**)
 Unsound – **Casille Batten DVM** Refund Total \$ 240.63
 7TH Race #9 **Supersonic Flyer** (Tr. **S. Ledezma**) claimed, **G. Preciado**, trainer
 8TH Race #7 **How About a Fresca** (Tr. **E. Moger Jr.**), claimed **S. Calvario**, trainer

2/19/23⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	920	\$281,332.68
Out of state	n/a	\$1,795,681.31
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$342,251.18
Total	1,921	\$2,945,009.30

MONDAY

2/20/23¹

REPLACEMENT STEWARD

Steward **John Yinger** replaced Steward **Will Meyers** who is off for medical reasons.

2/20/23²

OFFICIAL CHANGE

Head Starter **Todd Stephens** is off today for personal reasons. **Manny Trujillo**, who was the Head Starter at the Big Fresno Fair last fall, will fill in.

2/20/23³

FRANK ALVARADO FILM REVIEW

Jockey **Frank Alvarado** appeared in the Stewards' office to review his ride aboard #6 **Danzigs Star Storm** in yesterdays (February 19) eighth race. This horse finished second in a photo finish for the win. This race was contested at 5¹/₂ furlongs on the main track. Video replays of this race show Jockey **Alvarado** use his riding crop right (8) times between the ¼ mile maker

and the finish line. This is two (2) strikes over the limit. In a unanimous decision, the Stewards issued the following ruling.

Ruling #25

Jockey **FRANK ALVARADO** who rode **DANZIG'S STAR STORM** in the eighth race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, February 19, 2023 is suspended one (1) racing day, Friday, March 3, 2023, and fined Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)* pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – Class 3, two strikes over the limit) for violation of HISA Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop).

Furthermore, Jockey **FRANK ALVARADO** is assigned three (3) violation points that will expire on August 20, 2023, six months from the date of final adjudication pursuant to HISA #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties).

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EDWIN GONZALEZ FILM REVIEW

Jockey **Edwin Gonzalez** appeared in the Stewards' office to review his ride aboard #8 **Daniela Bella**, who finished second, but was disqualified (REF: 2/19/23⁽⁴⁾) and placed sixth, in the seventh race yesterday, February 19. As noted in yesterday's minutes #8 **Daniela Bella** broke in sharply and made contact with #7 **Nan Elizabeth** which subsequently led to heel chipping. Today's film review shows Jockey **Gonzalez** grab his right rein quickly as soon as his mount broke inward. The Stewards were of the unanimous opinion that Jockey **Gonzalez** made his best effort to correct his mounts errant course. No penalty was issued in this matter.

2/20/23⁵

SILVIO AMADOR FILM REVIEW (REF: 2/19/23³)

Jockey **Silvio Amador** appeared in the Stewards' office to review his ride in yesterday's (February 19) second race. Jockey **Amador** was aboard #4 **Koko's Mom**, who finished in a dead*heat for third position in the one (1) mile race.

Today's review shows #4 **Koko's Mom** shift out at the 1/8-mile pole. Fifth place finisher #6 **Oat Milk Latte (Irving Orozco)** shifted in at the same location. This caused Jockey **Frank Alvarado**, around seventh place finisher #5 **Cry Me A River**, to steady his mount. While Jockey **Amador** contributed to this incident that led to a Stewards Inquiry, the aforementioned shift off his straight course was not as significant as originally determined. In a unanimous decision Jockey **Amador** was issued a warning.

2/20/23⁶

SMOOTH CARD

Today's nine (9) race card went well as it was free of Steward inquiries and/or jockey objections.

2/20/23⁷

VOIDED CLAIMS

Three (3) claims were voided by the Stewards today acting on the recommendation of CHRB Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin**.

2ND Race #2 **Triple E** claimed by **Jack Steiner**. Declared off in right front. Returns to the barn of **Miguel Ramirez**.

4TH Race #2 **Performative** claimed by **Ed Moger Jr**. Reported off in left front. Returned to the barn of Jack Steiner.

9TH Race #6 **Chris Fix** claimed by **Guillermo Preciado**. Reported off behind, Returned to the barn of **Alfredo Marquez**.

2/20/23⁸

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

1ST Race #4 **Big Stick** (Tr. **A. Mathis**) claimed, **M. Ramirez**, trainer

3RD Race Declaration #6 **Stanford Bay** (Tr. **J. Ramos**)

Sick – **Casille Batten DVM** Refund \$ 185.25

5TH Race Declaration #4 **Cool Cross** (Tr. **B. McLean**)

Unsound – **Casille Batten DVM** Refund \$ 164.50

5TH Race Wagering Cancel \$1 Rolling Super High Five

6TH Race Declarations #2 **Lord of Light** (Tr. **S.Sherman**) Sick – **Forrest Franklin DVM**
 #4 **Livermore Heat** (Tr.**T. Bellasis**) Injured – **Karen Hassan DVM**

Refund Total \$ 904.84

7TH Race #1 **Redstirlingdancer** (Tr. **R. France**) claimed, **B. Wright**, trainer

9TH Race **Zippy Baby** (Tr. **T. McCanna**) claimed, **V. Trujillo**, trainer

2/20/23⁹

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	571	\$230,105.00
Out of state	n/a	\$1,586,109.20
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$319,657.36
Total	1,375	\$2,582,588.85

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
17-Feb	5	1	Hiis Reina	J. Wong	Injured	Dr. Hassan	\$196.40
17-Feb	7	1	Zelaia	V. Trujillo	Injured	Dr. Hassan	\$197.90
17-Feb	8	9	Smokin Blaze	I.Tamayo	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$119.39
18-Feb	1	1	Naughty Flirt	D.W. Baker	Unsound	Dr. Hassan	See Below
18-Feb	1	5	River Avenue	E. Jackson	Sick	Dr. Hassan	\$490.17
18-Feb	2	4	First Style	G.Preciado	Injured	D. Hassan	\$164.64
18-Feb	3	4	Que Sera Sir Ralph	T. McCanna	Panel	Panel	\$42.00
18-Feb	5	1	Big Jolt	V. Trujillo	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$256.05
18-Feb	6	1	In Honor of Autism	J. Wong	Sick	Dr. Hassen	\$530.64
18-Feb	7	3	Princesa Del Tigre	T. McCanna	Panel	Panel	See Below
18-Feb	7	7	Jersey Sunset	M. Stortz	Injured	Dr. Batten	\$607.29
19-Feb	1	2	Princesa Del Tigre	T. McCanna	Stewards	Stewards	\$420.69
19-Feb	5	2	Runaway Kristin	J. Puentes	Sick	Dr. Hassan	See Below
19-Feb	5	6	Polacco	J. Wong	Sick	Dr. Hassan	\$451.97
19-Feb	7	3	Clochard Street	J. Puentes	Sick	Dr. Hassan	See Below
19-Feb	7	5	Silk Road Sally	F. Rondan	Unsound	Dr. Batten	\$240.63
20-Feb	3	6	Stanford Bay	J. Ramos	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$185.25
20-Feb	5	4	Cool Cross	B. McLean	Unsound	Dr. Batten	\$465.13
20-Feb	6	4	Livermore Heat	T. Bellasis	Injured	Dr. Hassan	\$904.84

SUMMARY

	Fri 2/17	Sat 2/18	Sun 2/19	Mon 2/20	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	3
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	0	0	0	0

Claims	5	3	4	3	15	58
Disqualification	0	0	0	0	0	2
Inquiries	0	0	2	0	2	7
Refunds	3	8	2	3	16	116
Rulings	1	1	0	1	3	17
Voided Claims	1	0	0	3	4	12

Respectfully submitted,

Grant Baker, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward

Richard Lewis, Steward