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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report for the Week of Thursday, March 29, 2023, Through Sunday, April 2, 2023.**WEDNESDAY**3/29/23¹**ENTRY DAY**

Racing Secretary/Director of Racing **Steve Martinelli** and his staff were on duty today accepting entries for Saturday April 1. Regular Safety Steward **Richard Lewis**, filling in for Steward **Will Meyers**, will be the Duty Steward this week. Steward **Grant Baker** served as Safety Steward today. Nine (9) races were drawn for the April 1 card. Sixty-five (65) horses are scheduled to start.

THURSDAY3/30/23¹**ENTRY DAY**

Steward **Richard Lewis** is overseeing entries for Sunday April 2. The racing office was open today accepting those entries. Nine (9) races were drawn with sixty-four (64) horses scheduled to start.

3/30/23²**ROMAN RUDY COMPLAINT (CASE No. 23GG036)**

The Veterinary group **San Francisco Equine Inc.** has filed a complaint against Owner **Roman Rudy**. This group alleges that **Mr. Rudy** owes them \$13,791.19 for veterinary services. CHRB Investigator **Jerry Smith** prepared a forty-four (44) page complaint packet for this hearing. This matter involves billing for ten (10) horses. Owner **Roman Rudy** did not appear for today's hearing. He called the Stewards on the telephone and said he couldn't be here. **Dr. Ken Allison** appeared in the Stewards' office and obtained a 'CHRB Financial Complaint Agreement' and said he would return it. Stewards **Lewis, Nevin and Baker** were present today.

Owner **Roman Rudy** later appeared in our office at 12:42 p.m. for the hearing that was scheduled to start at 10:30 a.m. There was **NO** financial complaint agreement signed between these' two (2) parties, however. Decision to follow.

FRIDAY
3/31/23¹

WILLIAM ANTONGEORGI III INFORMAL HEARING

On Sunday March 26, 2023, Paddock Judge **Linda Anderson** reported that Jockey **William Antongeorgi III** was late to the paddock for the sixth race. The Stewards met with Jockey **Antongeorgi** today and told him to be more prompt. He received a warning as this is his first 'paddock tardiness' incident as far as we know.

3/31/23²

ROMAN RUDY RULING (REF: 3/30/23²)

Owner **Roman Rudy** appeared in the Stewards' office two (2) hours and twelve (12) minutes late for a hearing (REF: CASE #23GG036) yesterday March 30. Owner **Roman Rudy** said he spoke to **Dr. Ken Allison** from San Francisco Equine Inc, who was the complainant in this matter. They did not come to an agreement regarding an alleged amount owed of \$13,791.19. The Stewards, in a unanimous decision, issued the following ruling.

GGF RULING #39

Owner **Roman Rudy**, having failed to appear for a scheduled hearing before the Board of Stewards on March 30, 2023, is suspended effective April 7, 2023, for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before the Board of Stewards to answer charges alleging violation of California Horse Racing Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility). During the term of the suspension, all licenses and license privileges of **Roman Rudy** are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards) subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

3/31/23³

FRANK ALVARADO FILM REIVEW (REF: 3/26/23³)

Jockey **Frank Alvarado** appeared in our office to review his ride aboard #2 **Refi Now** who finished sixth (last) in the fourth race on March 26, 2023, at Golden Gate Fields. In this six (6) furlong event, #2 **Refi Now** drifts out at the 1/8 mile marker. Fifth place finisher #5 **Amanofmystature (Cristobal Herrera)** is bumped while racing between horses. Along with being bumped Jockey **Herrera** was forced to steady his mount sharply.

The Stewards were of the unanimous opinion that Jockey **Alvarado's** actions constituted a careless ride. In a unanimous decision the Stewards issued the following ruling.

GGF RULING #40

Jockey **FRANK ALVARADO** who rode "**REFI NOW**" in the fourth race at **GOLDEN GATE FIELDS** on Sunday, March 26, 2023, is suspended Three (3) Racing Days April 7, 8 and 9, 2023 for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch causing interference; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (Riding Rules – Careless Riding).

3/31/23⁴

SAFETY STEWARD

Chief Steward **Darrel McHargue** is serving as Safety Steward today. Regular Safety Steward **Richard Lewis** is filling in for Steward **Will Meyers** (medical).

3/31/23⁵

OFFICIAL CHANGE

Placing Judge/Stewards' Administrative Assistant **Lisa Wilkerson** is off this week. Stakes Coordinator **Lisa Jones** replaced her in the placing stand today. Assistant Racing Secretary **Ken Sjoldal** will fill in Saturday April 1. Director of Racing/ Racing Secretary **Steve Martinelli** will be placing on Sunday April 2.

3/31/23⁶

HIWU MEETING

HIWU (Horseracing Integrity & Welfare Unit) Operations Network Manager **Terese Cabanting** visited the Stewards office today. **Ms. Cabanting** met with CHRB Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin** and his receiving barn staff here at Golden Gate Fields on Monday March 27. She spoke to us about the Anti-Doping and Medication Control (ADMC) Program, that was implemented at Santa Anita Park on Monday March 27 and will begin at Golden Gate Fields today. The Stewards appreciated the information that **Ms. Cabanting** had to share.

3/31/23⁷

UPDATED HIWU INFORMATION

Following today's 6th Race Chief Steward **Darrel McHargue** called the Stewards to inform us that the Anti-Doping Medication Control Program was halted this afternoon following a decision by a U.S. District Court Judge in Texas. We will now return to CHRB equine testing procedures until further notice.

3/31/23⁸

SMOOTH CARD

Today's nine (9) race card was free of Steward Inquires and/or Jockey Objections.

3/31/23⁹

DECLARATION, CHANGES & REFUNDS

1ST Race Declaration #5 **Wales and Weddings** (Tr. **J. Puentes**)
Sick – **Michael Parker DVM** Refund: \$386.56
2ND Race #2 **Miss Ever Ready** (Tr. **E. Moger Jr.**) claimed **D.W. Baker**, trainer
3RD Race Declaration #6 **First Point** (Tr. **N. Drysdale**) Sick – **Dr. Batten DVM** Refund: \$88.40
8TH Race #8 **Henry's Crazy Train** (Tr. **T. McCanna**) Re-Enter – **Stewards** Refund: \$184.10

3/31/23¹⁰

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	387	\$135,717.60
SCOTWinc	0,000	\$1,042,149.05
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$164,123.08
Total	1,136	\$1,714,940.44

SATURDAY

4/1/23¹

STEWARDS CHANGE

Steward **John Yinger** replaces Steward **Will Meyers** (medical) today.

4/1/23²

VOIDED CLAIM – RACE 1

Trainer **Terry Johnson** claimed #8 **Memorandum** from Trainer **R. B. Hess Jr.** in the first race today. CHRB Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin** examined this horse post – race and informed us he was placing the horse on the Veterinarian's list. The reason was 'Unsound.' This claim was voided by the Stewards and this horse returned to the original trainer.

4/1/23³

STEWARDS' REVIEW – RACE 7

Following the running of the seventh race the Stewards asked Track Announcer **Matt Dinerman** to broadcast that a 'Stewards Review' would be conducted into the start of this 1 1/16 mile main track event.

The Stewards reviewed all camera angles of this incident. The review shows seventh (last) place finisher #6 **Agreetodisagree** (**Irving Orozco** – odds 5/2) 'pull back' at the start and lose much ground when Starter **Todd Stephens** dispatched the field. After the film review and speaking to Starter **Stephens** the Stewards felt there was no reason for a formal inquiry as this horse caused his own issues.

4/1/23⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

1ST Race #3 **The Sandy Surprise** (Tr. **S. Hobson**) claimed, **I. Tamayo**, trainer
2ND Race #5 **Speed Crazy** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) claimed, **J. Wong**, trainer
5TH Race #3 **Mendham Mill** (Tr. **A. Mathis**) claimed, **M. Badilla**, trainer

5TH Race Ownership #5 **Creating Memories** should read **Taboada Racing Stables, LLC**
 9TH Race Declarations #4 **Sippin n Kissin** (Tr. **B. McLean**) Injured – **Casille Batten DVM**
 9TH Race #6 **Fast Per See** (Tr. **Angelo Tekos Jr.**) Sick–**Casille Batten DVM** Refund: \$642.35
 9TH Race #9 **Enjoy it Strait** (Tr. **Q. Howey**) claimed, **M. Glatt**, trainer

4/1/23⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	750	\$322,126.44
SCOTWinc	0,000	\$1,571,867.72
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$325,716.56
Total	2,102	\$3,047,342.31

SUNDAY

4/2/23¹

ROUTINE MORNING

This morning we had a fairly regular course of procedures in the Stewards Office. Steward **Lewis** was in charge of Scratches for today's racing card. Steward **Baker** addressed early changes for the racing on Friday April 7, 2023.

4/2/23²

ULTIMATE PICKET FENCE

Today's final time in the 2ND race contestant six (6) furlongs, was 111.11 seconds.

4/2/23³

GOOD RACING

Today's nine (9) race card was free of Stewards' inquiries and/or Jockey Objections.

4/2/23⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

2ND Race Declaration #3 **Luxury Liner**(Tr.**S.Miyadi**)Injured–**Dr. Hassan DVM** Refund: \$335.19
 3RD Race #2 **Alexander's Dream** (Tr. **R. France**) claimed, **I. Tamayo**, trainer
 5TH Race Declaration #5 **Runaway Kristin**(Tr.**J Puentes**)Sick–**Dr. Parker DVM** Refund: \$173.44

4/2/23⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	814	\$290,967.00
SCOTWinc	0,000	\$2,238,255.00
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$352,417.09
Total	1,868	\$3,511,787.73

SUMMARY

	Wed 3/29	Thurs 3/30	Fri 3/31	Sat 4/1	Sun 4/2	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Claims	0	0	1	4	2	7	110
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Refunds	0	0	6	3	5	14	145
Rulings	0	0	2	0	0	2	38
Voided Claims	0	0	0	1	0	1	20

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
31-Mar	1	5	Wales n Weddings	J. Puentes	Sick	Parker	\$386.56
31-Mar	3	6	First point	N. Drysdale	Sick	Batten	\$88.40
1-Apr.	4	9	Sippin n Kissin	B. McLean	Injured	Batten	See Below
1-Apr.	6	9	Fast Per Se	A. Tekos	Sick	Batten	\$642.35
2-Apr.	2	3	Luxury Liner	S. Miyadi	Injured	Hassan	\$335.19
2-Apr.	5	5	Runaway Kristin	J. Puentes	Sick	Parker	\$173.44

Respectfully submitted,

Grant Baker, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward

Richard Lewis, Steward

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