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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**  
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**Berkeley, California**  
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**Report for the Week of Monday, February 26, 2024, through Sunday, March 3, 2024.**

**WEDNESDAY**2/28/24<sup>1</sup>**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward **George Yniguez** was in the office to oversee the entry process for Saturday March 2, 2024.

**Mr. Yniguez** also joined the Veterinarian Panel with **Tim Grande, DVM** and **Forrest Franklin, DVM**, for their review of the horses slated to run on Friday, March 1, 2024.

2/28/24<sup>2</sup>**KIM KUHLMANN, DVM (CASE #22GG0139)**

A formal hearing was held today to address the complaint filed against **Kim Kuhlmann, DVM**, alleging violations of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1842 (Five Counts) (Veterinarian Report).

Present for the hearing before Stewards **Richard Lewis, John Herbuveaux** and **Dennis Nevin**, included Deputy Attorney General's **Joel Kosh** and **Michael Purcell**, representing the California Horse Racing Board, Attorney's **Drew Couto**, and **Leif Harrison Kleven** representing respondent **Kim Kuhlmann, DVM**. Also, present were California Horse Racing Board Investigators **Jerry Smith** and **Jennifer Tolman**. **Christine Niccoli**, CSR recorded the processing.

According to the complaint presented, "**Dr. Kuhlmann** reported providing treatments when not present at Golden Gate Fields during the following dates and times in May and June of 2022: 1) May 7<sup>TH</sup>, 5:45 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.: 92 treatments/40 horses. 2) May 12<sup>TH</sup>, 6:00 a.m. to 7:35 a.m.: 94 treatments/24 horses. 3) May 21<sup>ST</sup>, 5:45 a.m. to 6:45 a.m.: 121 treatments/50 horses. 4) May 22<sup>ND</sup>, 5:50 a.m. to 7:00.: 109 treatments/40 horses. 5) June 5<sup>TH</sup>, 5:55 a.m. to 6:30 a.m.: 20 treatments/19 horses."

The complaint package was entered into evidence, testimony and arguments were heard and the hearing was closed. Decision Forthcoming

**THURSDAY**

2/29/24<sup>1</sup>

**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward **George Yniguez** was once again on duty to oversee entries for Sunday March 3, 2024.

**Mr. Yniguez** joined the Veterinarian Panel that included **Jeffery Blea, DVM Tim Grande, DVM** and **Forrest Franklin, DVM**, for their review of the horses scheduled to run on Saturday March 2, 2024.

**Mr. Yniguez** also participated in the fatality review of the horse "I'll Do It For You", trainer **Quentin Miller**, with **Jeffery Blea, DVM Alina Vale, DVM, Forrest Franklin, DVM** and Safety Steward **Calvin Rainey**.

**FRIDAY**

3/1/24<sup>1</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

2<sup>ND</sup> Race: Declaration #5 **Mischiefs Thirsty** (Tr. **M. McDonald**) Injured – **B. Bazeley, DVM**

Refunds: \$87.80

3<sup>RD</sup> Race: Declaration #2 **Town Performer** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) Sick – **M. Pirrone, DVM**

Refunds: See Below

3<sup>RD</sup> Race: Declaration #5 **Almost Snow** (Tr. **T. McCanna**) Injured – **A. Cloninger, DVM**

Refunds: \$295.60

The foregoing declarations reduced the field to four wagering interests and in accordance with CHRB #1954 (Parimutuel Pools), no show wagering was offered.

4<sup>TH</sup> Race: #5 **Hallisar** (Tr. **B. Wright**) claimed – **R. Cone**, trainer

5<sup>TH</sup> Race: #6 **Strait of Georgia** (Tr. **B. Wright**) claimed – **R. France**, trainer

7<sup>TH</sup> Race: #4 **Ann** (Tr. **S. Sherman**) claimed – **R. Cone**, trainer

3/1/24<sup>2</sup>

**VIDEO REVIEW**

Jockey **Julien Couton** met with the Stewards for a review of his ride on #5 **Extreme Blaze** in the second race on Sunday February 25, 2024.

The concern was whether **Mr. Couton** violated the crop rule. After a thorough review it was inconclusive and the Stewards decided unanimously to issue a warning.

3/1/24<sup>3</sup>

**WET AFTERNOON**

The afternoon racing program was conducted without any noteworthy race related incidents, with the exception of heavy rain and wind.

3/1/24<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	232	\$138,832.20
<b>SCOTWINC</b>		\$1,114,584.60
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$166,123.32
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,039	\$1,837,431.92

**SATURDAY**

3/2/24<sup>1</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

1<sup>ST</sup> Race: #2 **To Speight Her** (Tr. **A. Mathis**) claimed, **S. Morfin**, trainer  
2<sup>ND</sup> Race: Declaration #3 **Stay Lit** (Tr. **T. Johnson**) Injured – **A. Cloninger, DVM**  
Refunds: \$214.15  
2<sup>ND</sup> Race: #2 **Church Harbor** (Tr. **R. France**) claimed, **C. O’Hagan**, trainer  
3<sup>RD</sup> Race: Declaration #2 **Lady Gregory** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) Sick – **B. Bazeley, DVM**  
Refunds: \$306.15  
5<sup>TH</sup> Race: Jockey Change #6 **Sharona’s Wild Boy J. Couton** for **F. Monroy** – Family  
8<sup>TH</sup> Race: Declaration #3 **Stephanie’s Candy** (Tr. **M. Troy**) Unsound – **A. Cloninger, DVM**  
Refunds: \$24,471.39  
8<sup>TH</sup> Race: #4 **Max’s Maxine** (Tr. **B. McLean**) claimed, **R. France**, trainer

3/2/24<sup>2</sup>

**RULING #42 – MANUEL BADILLA**

The foregoing ruling was issued after **Mr. Badilla** met with the Stewards and explained that he submitted a scratch for “**Malpractice Meuser**” as the horse was not on the grounds, and accepted the penalty imposed.

**GGF RULING #42**

Trainer **MANUEL BADILLA** who was scheduled to start **MALPRACTICE MEUSER (GB)** in the sixth race at Golden Gate Fields on February 25, 2024, is fined Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1629 (Penalty for Late Declaration – horse not on grounds).

3/2/24<sup>3</sup>

**CLAIM VOIDED – 6<sup>TH</sup> RACE**

The Stewards voided the claim submitted by trainer **Isidro Tamayo** for **Buenisimo** (Tr. **S. Sherman**), the third-place finisher in the sixth race.

The Stewards were notified by the Official Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin, DVM** that the six-year-old gelding was lame in the left hind and placed on the Veterinarian’s list.

**Buenisimo** was returned to **Steve Sherman’s** barn.

3/2/24<sup>4</sup>

**CLAIM VOIDED – 8<sup>TH</sup> RACE**

The Stewards voided the claim submitted by trainer **Ruby Thomas** for **High Inflation** (Tr. **B. Wright**), the winner of the eighth race.

The Stewards were notified by the Official Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin, DVM** that the three-year-old filly was lame in the right front and placed on the Veterinarian’s list.

**High Inflation** was returned to **Blaine Wright’s** barn.

3/2/24<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	599	\$243,648.80
<b>SCOTWINC</b>		\$1,321,554.46
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$252,570.16
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,767	\$2,438,892.16

**SUNDAY**

3/3/24<sup>1</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

2<sup>ND</sup> Race: Jockey Change: #2 **Six Hot Grand - K. Orozco** for **F. Monroy** – Family Problems  
3<sup>RD</sup> Race: Declaration #4 **Sweet Millie** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) Sick – **Dr. Pirrone, DVM**  
Refunds: \$438.50

3<sup>RD</sup> Race: Jockey Change: #3 **Bacalar – C. Herrera** for **C. Montalvo** -Travel Issues

4<sup>TH</sup> Race: Declaration #3 **Shezarunaway** (Tr. **D. Markle**) Sick – **Dr. Pirrone, DVM**

Refunds: \$351.70

4<sup>TH</sup> Race: #6 **Class Code** (Tr. **R. France**) claimed, **B. Wright**, trainer

5<sup>TH</sup> Race: Declaration #4 **Yo Baby** (Tr. **F. Rondan**) Deceased – **Dr. Pirrone, DVM**

Declaration #5 **Little Naughty** (Tr. **F. Rondan**) Injured – **Dr. Pirrone, DVM**

Refunds: \$318.16

The foregoing declarations reduced the field to four wagering interests and in accordance with CHRB Rule #1954 (Parimutuel Pools), no show wagering was offered.

8<sup>TH</sup> Race: #6 **J T's Watch** (**J. Bonde**) claimed, **I. Tamayo**, trainer

8<sup>TH</sup> Race: #8 **Buttonwood Tree** (**S. Sherman**) claimed, **C. Essex**, trainer

3/3/24<sup>2</sup>

### CLEAR DAY

There were no hearing this morning and the afternoon racing program was conducted without any noteworthy incidents.

3/3/24<sup>3</sup>

### DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

<b>ON TRACK</b>	623	\$268,980.81
<b>SCOTWINC</b>		\$1,417,290.85
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$304,999.74
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,727	\$2,589,644.52

### SUMMARY

	<b>Fri 3/1</b>	<b>Sat 3/2</b>	<b>Sun 3/3</b>	<b>Week</b>	<b>Meet</b>
<b>Accidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Claims</b>	3	3	3	9	66
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	0	0	0	5
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	0	0	0	8
<b>Refunds</b>	2	3	3	8	84
<b>Rulings</b>	0	1	0	1	42
<b>Voided Claims</b>	0	2	0	2	15

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Dennis Nevin Steward

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Richard Lewis, Steward

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George Yniguez, Steward

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