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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 March 11, 2024, through Sunday March 17, 2024.**

**WEDNESDAY**3/13/24<sup>1</sup>**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward **Richard Lewis** was in the office this morning to oversee all entry-related matters for Saturday.

3/13/24<sup>2</sup>**ENTRY PANEL**

**Mr. Lewis** attended the veterinary panel to review horses entered for Friday. The Panel identified five horses that will receive additional scrutiny prior to competing.

**THURSDAY**3/14/24<sup>1</sup>**ENTRY DUTY**

**Steward Lewis** was once again present to monitor the entry process. Racing Secretary **Steve Martinelli** and crew carded eight races for Sunday.

3/14/24<sup>2</sup>**ENTRY PANEL**

**Mr. Lewis** participated in the veterinary panel to go over the entries for Saturday. Five horses were flagged as "hard watches".

3/14/24<sup>3</sup>**FATALITY REVIEW**

A fatality review was completed this morning via Microsoft Teams. **Dr. Alina Vale** chaired the meeting, which was attended by **Dr. Jeff Blea**, **Dr. Forrest Franklin**, Steward **Richard Lewis**, Safety Steward **Calvin Rainey**, and trainer **Steve Sherman**.

**FRIDAY**3/15/24<sup>1</sup>**ENTRY PANEL**

**Mr. Lewis** once again participated in the veterinary panel to review the entrants for Sunday's card. The panel flagged four horses to receive added perusal before competing.

3/15/24<sup>2</sup>

**SILVIO AMADOR -FILMS**

Jockey **Silvio Amador** presented himself as directed to review his crop use in last Sunday's third race. Mr. Amador acknowledged he used the crop beyond the allowable limit and accepted the following penalty.

**GGF RULING #46**

Jockey **SILVIO AMADOR** who rode **MATCHLESS** in the third race at Golden Gate Fields on March 10, 2024, is suspended one (1) racing day Friday, March 22, 2024, and fined TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)\* pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (HISA) Rule #2282 (Riding Crop Violations and Penalties – Class 3, one strike over the limit), for violation of HISA Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop).

3/15/24<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race: #2 **RIDIN'THESTORMOUT** (Tr. **T. McCanna**) claimed -**D.W. Baker**, Trainer.

3<sup>rd</sup> Race: #5 **EXCLUSIVELY NOBLE** (Tr. **S. Paldanius**) sick -**Michael Pirrone, DVM.**  
Refund: \$92.60

3<sup>rd</sup> Race: #1 **WIRLY GIRLY** (Tr. **S. Sherman**) claimed -**C. Essex**, Trainer.

5<sup>th</sup> Race: #3 **SUPER ELLIE** (Tr. **S. Sherman**) sick -**Michael Pirrone, DVM.**  
Refund: \$194.60

6<sup>th</sup> Race: #1 **REGAL PATRIOT** (Tr. **A. Torres**) sick -**Mark Christin, DVM.**  
Refund: \$468.75

3/15/24<sup>4</sup>

**CLEAR RACING**

This afternoon's seven-race card was free of Steward inquiries and/or Jockey objections.

3/15/24<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	260	\$126,765.80
<b>SCOTWINC</b>		\$1,031,949.99
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$135,083.03
<b>TOTAL</b>	941	\$1,581,332.55

**SATURDAY**

3/16/24<sup>1</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

2<sup>nd</sup> Race: #1 **RIGHT HAND RYDER** (Tr. **S. Calvario**) sick -**Mark Christin, DVM.**  
Refund: \$114.12

3<sup>rd</sup> Race: #3 **ROSE OF JERICHO** (Tr. **A. Ruvalcaba**) claimed, **S. Sherman**, Trainer.

4<sup>th</sup> Race: #2 **KIKI CRAZY** (Tr. **L. Rivera**) sick - **Mark Christin, DVM.**  
Refund: \$523.44

7<sup>th</sup> Race: **SHANA MADEL** (Tr. **M. Badilla**) injured - Dionne Benson, DVM.  
Refund: \$269.39

7<sup>th</sup> Race: #7 **WESTERN CAPE** (Tr. **Q. Miller**) Jockey **C. Herrera** replaces **A. Chavez**.

8<sup>th</sup> Race: #5 **MARS ON FIRE** (Tr. **S. Miyadi**) claimed, **I. Tamayo**, Trainer.

3/16/24<sup>2</sup>

**RACE 1 -DELAY (5 ½ FURLONGS -TAPETA)**

As the field of seven were preparing to load into the starting gate for the first race, #1 **LADY PROUD** (Tr. **S. Sherman**) parted ways with Jockey **Adrian Castellanos**. **LADY PROUD** ran

loose towards the seven-eighths gap before being corralled and brought back to the gate for an examination by **Dr. Cloninger**. The horse was deemed uninjured and was loaded with the rest of the field, resulting in a nine-minute delay.

3/16/24<sup>3</sup>

### **RACE 8 -JOCKEY REPLACEMENT**

After the conclusion of race seven, Track Physician Dr. **David Seftel** contacted the Stewards and recommended Jockey **Alexander Chavez** be removed from his remaining mount due to shoulder stiffness. As a result, **Mr. Chavez** was replaced by **Cristobal Herrera** on #7 **WESTERN CAPE** (Tr. **Q. Miller**). Announcements were made and the T.V. Department was contacted to reflect the change.

3/16/24<sup>4</sup>

### **VOIDED CLAIM**

The Stewards were notified by Official Veterinarian **Dr. Franklin** that **CURVY CURLS** was placed on the vet list for unsoundness in the right foreleg. Therefore, the Stewards voided the claim dropped by trainer **Blaine Wright** and **CURVY CURLS** was returned to the care of **Clifford DeLima**.

3/16/24<sup>5</sup>

### **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	602	\$217,968.12
<b>SCOTWINC</b>		\$1,280,201.43
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$280,290.90
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,694	\$2,366,950.26

## **SUNDAY**

3/17/24<sup>1</sup>

### **LUIS JIMENEZ -FILMS**

Jockey **Luis Jimenez** availed himself as directed to review his ride aboard #6 **GOODBYE DAL** in Saturday's seventh race. Videos showed **Mr. Jimenez** allowed his horse to drift out at the sixteenth pole, brushing a rival to his outside. The Stewards determined that a disqualification was not warranted in this incident but stressed to **Mr. Jimenez** the importance of keeping his mounts straight in the future. The young rider left with a warning.

3/17/24<sup>2</sup>

### **KIM KUHLMANN RULING -CASE #23GG0139 (Ref: 2/28/24<sup>2</sup>)**

The following ruling was issued after a panel of Stewards consisting of **John Herbuveaux**, **Richard Lewis**, and **Dennis Nevin** deliberated over CHRB case 23GG0139 on February 28, 2024. This case stemmed from a March 6, 2022, allegation which never matured into an offense, but lead to a complaint that was presented 23 months later. Documentation of treatment times on the Electronic Veterinarian Confidential report were the issues in question. Witnesses for both the State and Respondent testified that there were ongoing issues with the program. Besides the inability to make corrections once the data was sent, there were incidents where the times were converted to east coast hours. In this case, data (medication, horse, trainer & time) was input into the system by an employee of San Francisco Equine, listing erroneous times of administration, even though there was no intent to deceive. There was no evidence presented which would indicate that anyone other than Dr. Kuhlmann administered medications. Dr. Kuhlmann bears responsibility for his employee's action since it was his electronic Veterinarian Confidential Report.

### **GGF RULING #47**

Veterinarian **KIM KUHLMANN** is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1842 (Veterinarian Report – Time of Treatment).

3/17/24<sup>3</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race: #5 **A PERFECT PATH** (Tr. **A. Ruvalcaba**) claimed -**R. Thomas**, Trainer  
5<sup>th</sup> Race: # 4 **HAY JUAN** (Tr. **J. Ramos**) gate injury -**Ashton Cloninger**, DVM.  
The above declaration resulted in the cancellation of the Super High five wager  
5<sup>th</sup> Race: #5 **REFI NOW** (Tr. **J. Navarre**) claimed - **S. Calvario**, Trainer

3/17/24<sup>4</sup>

**LATE SCRATCH -RACE 5 (6 FURLONGS -TAPETA)**

As the field of horses were loading in the gate for the fifth race, **HAY JUAN** (Tr. **J. Ramos**) became fractious and was scratched due to injury to the left hind leg upon recommendation of Track Veterinarian Dr. **Ashton Cloninger**. The late declaration resulted in the cancellation of the Super High Five wager.

3/17/24<sup>5</sup>

**VOIDED CLAIM**

The Stewards voided the claim by Trainer **G. Greiner** for **GRIT AND CURIOSITY** after Official Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin** relayed information that he was placing the horse on the vet list for unsoundness of the left foreleg. **GRIT AND CURIOSITY** was returned to the care of Trainer **Victor Trujillo**.

3/17/24<sup>6</sup>

**ATTENDANCE**

The full Board of Stewards were present this weekend to handle racing-related matters.

3/17/24<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	659	\$206,348.00
<b>SCOTWINC</b>		\$1,525,970.01
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$286,524.90
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,576	\$2,490,722.50

**SUMMARY**

	<b>Fri 3/15</b>	<b>Sat 3/16</b>	<b>Sun 3/17</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>	2	2	2	6	80
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	0	0	0	5
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	0	0	0	8
<b>Refunds</b>	3	3	0	6	98
<b>Rulings</b>	1	0	1	2	47
<b>Voided Claims</b>	0	1	1	2	21

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Dennis Nevin, Steward

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Richard Lewis, Steward

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