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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 April 15, 2024, through Sunday, April 21, 2024.**

**WEDNESDAY**4/17/24<sup>1</sup>**ENTRY DUTY**

Steward **Dennis Nevin** was present to assist the Racing Office should any matters needing a Steward's opinion arise, Saturdays overnight consisted of nine races with sixty-five entrants.

**THURSDAY**4/18/24<sup>1</sup>**ENTRY/PANEL**

Entries for Sunday were under the supervision of Steward **Nevin**. Another nine-race card was drawn. Sixty-nine horses filled the overnight.

A review panel for Saturday's races took place this morning. The panel consisted of **Drs Grande, Lorbiecki & Franklin** with **Mr. Nevin** representing the Board of Stewards.

**FRIDAY**4/19/24<sup>1</sup>**OFFICE WORK**

The full Board of Stewards, **Nevin, Yniguez** and **Lewis**, were present on this non-race day to catch up on office work. **Mr. Nevin** also aided the racing office for changes to Sunday's overnight and attended the review panel led by **Dr. Lorbiecki** with **Drs. Franklin, Grande** and **Blea** participating.

4/19/24<sup>2</sup>**JUAREZ RULING**

The following ruling memorializing restoring **Clare Juarez** to good standing was produced as follows.

**GGF RULING #62**

In the Matter of **CLARE JUAREZ**

It is hereby ordered that Solano County Fair Vallejo Ruling #005 (SCFV005) issued July 15, 1994, be set aside for good cause and **CLARE JUAREZ'S** license privileges are restored to good standing.

4/19/24<sup>3</sup>

**LUCARELLI RULING**

The following ruling was issued after the Stewards received a signed "Waiver of Appearance" from trainer **Frank Lucarelli** for California Horse Racing Board Case 24GG006.

**GGF RULING #63**

Trainer **FRANK LUCARELLI**, who trained **KIND OF GALLANT** on October 30, 2023, at Golden Gate Fields is fined Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1846.2 (Training Soundness Examination – No Ninety day Examination).

**SATURDAY**

4/20/24<sup>1</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

3<sup>RD</sup> Race Declaration #2 **Lila at the Beach** (Tr. **J. Thomas**) Sick – **Dr. Pirrone**

3<sup>RD</sup> Race Declaration #4 **Team Concept** (Tr. **S. Paldanius**) Panel – **Stewards**  
Refunds \$299.29

3<sup>RD</sup> Race #6 **Vandalia** (**K. Bainum**) claimed, **D.W. Baker**, trainer

7<sup>TH</sup> Race Declaration #4 **Dulas (IRE)** (Tr. **M. Badilla**) Sick – **Dr. Pirrone**. Refund \$168.53

8<sup>TH</sup> Race #1 **Blaze of Dreams** (Tr. **M. Meier**) claimed, **B. Wright**, trainer

4/20/24<sup>2</sup>

**VOIDED CLAIM RACE 3**

The claim submitted by trainer **Isidro Tamayo** for #1 **Happy Is** was voided by the Stewards after the five year old mare was added to the Vet's list for hind end soundness issues. She will remain with trainer **Marcelino Trujillo**.

4/20/24<sup>3</sup>

**RACE 9 INQUIRY/DISQUALIFICATION**

Soon after the field crossed the finish line the Stewards asked the video department to show the stretch run to look at a traffic problem inside the 3/16<sup>TH</sup>. Video shows #2, **Golden River**, with Jockey **Hugo Herrera** forcing his way between the #10 to his inside and the #4 **Gato De Vegas** to his outside, with **Kevin Orozco** in the stirrups. During this maneuver he makes significant contact with #4 on at least three different times with one of the bumps causing the #4 to turn sideways into the #7 who was on the outside of #4 and was knocked off stride. After talking with the riders involved in a unanimous vote #2, **Golden River**, who crossed the wire first was disqualified and placed seventh behind #4, **Gato De Vegas**.

Original Order of Finish 2 – 7 – 8 – 6 – 5 – 1 – 4 – 10 – 3 – 9

Official Order of Finish 7 – 8 – 6 – 5 – 1 – 4 - 2 – 10 – 3 – 9

4/20/24<sup>4</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	706	\$276,142.42
<b>SCOTWINC</b>		\$1,401,483.75
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$287,545.75
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,802	\$2,636,960.88

**SUNDAY**

4/21/24<sup>1</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS**

3<sup>RD</sup> Race Declaration #4 **Passando** (Tr. **S. Specht**) Unsound – **Karina Cox, DVM**

Refund: \$203.96

4<sup>TH</sup> Race #4 **Acero** (Tr. **B. Wright**) claimed, T. **Bellasis**, trainer

4<sup>TH</sup> Race #8 **We Can** (Tr. **R. France**) claimed, **M. Meier**, trainer

6<sup>TH</sup> Race Declaration #6 **Desert Dude** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) Sick – **Mike Pirrone, DVM**  
6<sup>TH</sup> Race Declaration #7 **Chief Jackson** (Tr. **D.W. Baker**) Sick – **Mike Pirrone, DVM**  
6<sup>TH</sup> Race Declaration #11 **Oh Great (IRE)** (Tr. **L. Rivera**) Also – Eligible - **Stewards**

Refunds: \$545.50

6<sup>TH</sup> Race #5 **Quality Cat** (Tr. **R. France**) claimed, **G. Preciado**, trainer

7<sup>TH</sup> Race #6 **Super Ellie** (Tr. **E. Miranda**) claimed, **S. Sherman**, trainer

7<sup>TH</sup> Race #7 **Greatful Attitude** (Tr. **S. Sherman**) claimed, **V. Trujillo**, trainer

8<sup>TH</sup> Race Declaration #1 **Smiling Molly** (Tr. **D.W. Baker**) Sick – **Mike Pirrone, DVM**

8<sup>TH</sup> Race Declaration #9 **Hay Juan** (Tr. **J. Ramos**) Also – Eligible – **Stewards**

Refunds: \$1,041.00

9<sup>TH</sup> Race Jockey Change #1 **Topper's Chieftess**, **Alexander Chavez** for **Catalino Martinez**

4/21/24<sup>2</sup>

#### **HERRERA RULING (REF: 4/20/24<sup>(5)</sup>)**

Jockey **Hugo Herrera** was present to watch replays of the previous day's ninth race. A Steward's Inquiry resulted in a disqualification therefore a film review today. **Mr. Herrera** indicated that he moved at a bad time and should have waited for a clearer path. Due to the interference this panel produced the attached ruling.

#### **GGF RULING #64**

Jockey **HUGO HERRERA** who rode **GOLDEN RIVER** in the ninth race at Golden Gate Fields on April 20, 2024, is suspended three (3) racing days, April 28, May 3 & 4, 2024\* for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in a disqualification of his mount from first and seventh – a violation of California Horse Racing Board #1699 (b) (Riding Rules – Careless Riding).

4/21/24<sup>3</sup>

#### **RACE ONE INCIDENT**

The first race was marred by an incident at the break, #2 **Northbirdie It's Ok**, stumbled causing, Jockey **Irving Orozco** to part company with the three-year-old. Jockey **Irving Orozco** escaped unharmed and got to his feet as the horse ran behind the field and was caught by an outrider as the horses were pulling up. The Stewards had the inquiry sign illuminated and video review showed the horse caused his own problems after leaving the starting barrier. **Nightbirdie It's Ok** was declared a starter, and the race was made official.

4/21/24<sup>4</sup>

#### **RACE 5 GATE SCRATCH**

As horses were awaiting to be dispatched from the starting gate, #1 **Bob's Vai**, broke through the gate. Jockey **Anne Sanguinetti** was able to pull the four-year-old filly up within a few strides and return her to track Vet **Cloninger** to be examined. The filly had a raw spot on her right knee, and she was reported injured. The Stewards declared her and there was a slight delay until she could exit the racing strip.

4/21/24<sup>5</sup>

#### **RACE 6 VOIDED CLAIM**

State Veterinarian **Franklin** notified the Stewards that **America Great**, while cooling out in the test barn, was unsound in the right front and was put on the Vet's List. The Stewards voided the claim and the nine-year-old will remain with trainer **Monty Meier**.

4/21/24<sup>6</sup>

#### **RACE 8 OBJECTION /DISALLOWED**

After the finish of this five-furlong turf event the outrider radioed that Jockey **Luis Jimenez** on the fourth-place finisher #4 **Deb's Tiz**, was lodging an objection against the winner, #10 **Town Performer**, and Jockey **Silvo Amador** entering the 3/8<sup>THS</sup> turn. After conferring with both riders and reviewing video, in a unanimous vote the Stewards disallowed the objection and declared

the race official. Video clearly shows #6 drifting inward entering the turn but at no time does he impede the progress nor cause #2 to alter course or check.

4/21/24<sup>7</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	756	\$251,053.80
<b>SCOTWINC</b>		\$1,444,864.85
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$305,785.23
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,612	\$2,507,026.90

**SUMMARY**

	<b>Fri 4/19</b>	<b>Sat 4/20</b>	<b>Sun 4/21</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>	0	2	5	7	112
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	1	0	1	7
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	1	1	2	12
<b>Refunds</b>	0	2	3	5	124
<b>Rulings</b>	1	0	1	2	64
<b>Voided Claims</b>	0	1	1	2	27

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Richard Lewis, Steward

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George Yniguez, Steward

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Dennis Nevin, Steward

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