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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report for the Week Monday May 13, 2024, through Sunday, May 19, 2024.

WEDNESDAY5/15/24¹**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward **Richard Lewis** was present this morning to oversee entries being taken for Saturday, May 18, 2024.

THURSDAY5/16/24¹**STEWARDS IN**

The full board of Stewards were in the office this morning to catch up on previously scheduled business. Steward **Richard Lewis** was once again available to monitor the entry process.

5/16/24²**ENTRY PANEL**

Steward **Lewis** joined **Drs. Grande, Lorbiecki, and Franklin** for the **Veterinary Panel** this morning to discuss the horses entered for Saturday, May 18, 2024. The group identified thirteen horses to receive added scrutiny before competing.

5/16/24³**RIDER IN**

Jockey **Luis Jimenez** was summoned to the office to explain his crop during a five-furlong work this morning. **Mr. Jimenez** explained that the **Steve Miyadi** trainee has a history of propping and believed he was utilizing the crop for safety. Safety Steward **Calvin Rainey** relayed that he had witnessed the work and stated that **Mr. Jimenez** used the crop in the downward position. **Mr. Miyadi** confirmed the horse's habits and therefore, the Stewards issued a warning to Jockey **Jimenez**.

5/16/24⁴**ISIDRO TAMAYO RULING**

The following ruling was issued after Trainer **Isidro Tamayo** failed to enter his horse **GOLD CANDY** as a gelding at the time of entry.

RULING #80

Trainer **ISIDRO TAMAYO** is fined Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00)* for failure to list the correct sex of the horse, **GOLD CANDY**, at the time of entry for the fifth race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, May 12, 2024, a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1865 (e) (1)(Altering of Sex of a Horse).

5/16/24⁵

JOSE DE JESUS MARTINEZ SALDIVAR (CASE #23GG0069)

This Board of Stewards produced the attached ruling after deliberating the facts presented during a hearing held on May 2, 2024 (ref: 5/2/24¹).

RULING #81

Exercise Rider **JOSE DE JESUS MARTINEZ SALDIVAR**, having now appeared before the Board of Stewards at Golden Gate Fields, Pacific Racing Association Ruling #39 is hereby set aside.

JOSE DE JESUS MARTINEZ SALDIVAR is suspended through the term of his license (Expiration - August 31, 2025) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rules #1485 (d) (License Subject to Conditions and Agreements), #1874 (Disorderly Conduct) and #1489 (a)(1)(2) (Grounds for Denial or Refusal of License), pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1900 (Grounds for Suspension or Revocation)

Furthermore, any future application for license in California will be evaluated by the California Horse Racing Board pursuant to Rule #1489.2 (Criteria to Evaluate Rehabilitation of a Person When Considering Denial, Suspension or Revocation of an Occupational License).

During the term of this suspension, all licenses and license privileges of **JOSE DE JESUS SALDIVAR** are suspended and pursuant of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1528 (Jurisdictions of Stewards) subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

5/16/24⁶

SUNDAY CANCELLATION

Late this afternoon, we received word that Golden Gate Fields Management made the difficult decision to cancel racing this coming Sunday May 19, 2024, due to lack of interest at the entry box.

FRIDAY
5/17/24¹

STEWARDS IN

The Board of Stewards spent a portion of the morning finalizing a ruling after receiving notice from HIWU that the following horse be disqualified as a result of a positive test sample which was obtained following the sixth race on December 26, 2023, at Golden Gate Fields.

RULING #82

Acting upon notice from Horseracing Integrity and Welfare Unit (HIWU), that the post-race sample obtained from the horse, **SHANA MADEL**, who finished SECOND in the sixth race at the Golden Gate Fields, on December 26, 2023, contained the Controlled Medication Substance, Dexamethasone (Class C), it is hereby ordered that **SHANA MADEL** be disqualified and deemed unplaced.

The Consequences of Disqualification include forfeiture of all purses and other compensation, prizes, trophies, points and rankings and repayment or surrender (as applicable) of such to the Race Organizer (ADMC Program Rule 3321 – Disqualification of the Covered Horse’s Results).

As directed it is further ordered that all purse monies earned or awarded to Owners **RONALD L. CHARLES** or **SAMUEL GORDON** (\$6312.50), Jockey **EVIN ROMAN** (\$137.50) and Trainer **MANUEL BADILLA** (\$585.00) be returned to the Paymaster of Purses at the GOLDEN GATE FIELDS on or before

June 9, 2024, for redistribution pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1760 (Purse Award or Prize to Be Withheld).

Revised Order of Finish:

1ST DULY NOTED 2nd BROADWAY TIGER 3rd STAY UP
4th LITTLE NAUGHTY 5th VELOCIOUS 6th HOT AND SPICY 7TH DIVINE GIFT

All records are ordered changed to reflect this ruling. In accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1956 (Race Declared Official) neither pari-mutuel payoffs nor the distribution of any pari-mutuel pool shall be affected.

SATURDAY

5/18/24¹

JOCKEY FILMS

Jockey **Epifanio Garcia** came in to review his ride aboard **GOLD CANDY** in last Sunday's fifth race. Replays showed **Mr. Garcia** utilizing his crop twice after the horse lost contact with the field before being eased. The young rider could offer no explanation for his actions. **Mr. Garcia** left with a warning not to use the crop when a horse had already reached its maximum placing.

Jockey **Assael Espinoza** also availed himself as directed to review his ride aboard **#6 REEF CITY** during last Sunday's second race where the Stewards lit the Inquiry sign to look at an incident in deep stretch where **REEF CITY** shifts out into **#4 BROTHER O' BRIEN** with **Frank Alvarado** aboard. Replays revealed **REEF CITY** shied from the crop and altered course and made contact with his rival on the outside. **BROTHER O' BRIEN** won the race; therefore, no change was warranted, and **Mr. Espinoza** left the office without penalty.

5/18/24²

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES & REFUNDS

5th Race: Scratch #6 **NANCI GRIFFITH** (Tr. **S. Miyadi**) Sick -**Ashton Cloninger**, DVM.
Refunds: \$154.60

6th Race: Scratch #3 **JAZZY EMPRESS** (Tr. **S. Miyadi**) Sick -**Ashton Cloninger**, DVM.
Refunds: \$236.80

8th Race: Scratch #10 **TIGERSUN** (Tr. **R. Thomas**) Sick -**Mike Pirrone**, DVM.
Refunds: \$318.80

8th Race: Rider Change #3 **ELMER JOHN** (Tr. **S. Ledezma**) **E. Garcia**, replaces **A. Espinoza** - sick.

5/18/24³

RACE 5 -DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards illuminated the Inquiry sign after the fifth race to review an incident near the eighth pole, where #1 **CLARINA**, ridden by **Alexander Chavez** came out into the path of #4 **LIGHTS OF LONDON**, ridden by **Alejandro Gomez**. After reviewing all angles of the replays and speaking to the riders involved, the Stewards, in a unanimous decision, disqualified #1 **CLARINA** from fourth and placed filly fifth, behind #4 **LIGHTS OF LONDON** for costing the horse an opportunity of a better placing.

Original Order of Finish: 5 - 8 - 3 - 1 - 4 - 7 - 2

Official Order of Finish: 5 - 8 - 3 - 4 - 1 - 7 - 2

5/18/24⁴

RIDER CHANGE -RACE 8

Jockey **Assael Espinoza** contacted the Stewards after the running of the seventh race and requested to be taken off his remaining mount due to soreness. **Epifanio Garcia** was named as the replacement rider and the change was announced.

5/18/24⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	1,266	\$436,209.30
SCOTWINC		\$1,320,880.92
OUT OF STATE + ADW	N/A	\$286,084.92
TOTAL	3,865	\$3,292,456.02

SUNDAY

5/19/24¹

DARK DAY BUSINESS

The Stewards reported to the office this morning to handle previously scheduled business. This afternoon's racing program was cancelled due to lack of entries (ref: 5/16/24⁶).

5/19/24²

JOCKEY FILMS

Jockey **Alexander Chavez** reported to the office to review replays of the previous day's fifth race where a Steward's Inquiry resulted in a disqualification. Upon reviewing the footage this morning, the Stewards found no fault in the actions of **Mr. Chavez** and the horse was to blame for the incident. Therefore, he left the office without penalty.

SUMMARY

	Fri 5/17	Sat 5/18	Sun 5/19	Week	Meet
Accidents	N	0	N	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	O	0	O	0	0
Claims	0	0	0	0	123
Disqualifications	R	0	R	0	7
Inquiries	A	0	A	0	14
Refunds	C	3	C	3	146
Rulings	3	0	E	3	82
Voided Claims	S	0	S	0	32

George Yniguez, Steward

Dennis Nevin, Steward

Richard Lewis, Steward

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