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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
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**Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of August 5 through August 11, 2024.**

**WEDNESDAY**8/7/24<sup>1</sup>**DUTY STEWARD**

Today's Racing Office activities were directed by Steward **Richard Lewis**. Eight races were drawn with sixty entrants for Saturday.

8/7/24<sup>2</sup>

An Entry Panel looked into Friday's program. Thirteen horses were labeled as "hard watches". Those in attendance were Veterinarians, **Blea, Franklin, Grande & Lorbiecki**, along with Steward Representative **Lewis**.

**THURSDAY**8/8/24<sup>1</sup>**RACING OFFICE ACTIVITIES**

Entries for Sunday were overseen by **Richard Lewis**. Eight races filled the overnight with fifty-six runners.

8/8/24<sup>2</sup>**ENTRY PANEL**

The California Horse Racing Board Panel met at 11:00 a.m. without **Dr. Blea**, however Veterinarians **Franklin, Grande** and **Lorbiecki** were in attendance. Thirteen horses were labeled as "hard watch" horses. There was one recommended scratch due to the horses' Vet history. The trainer was notified of the pending scratch and the steps needed to be eligible to enter.

**FRIDAY**8/9/24<sup>1</sup>**PROGRAM CHANGES**

2<sup>ND</sup> Race #4, Titos With A Twist (Tr. **A. Torres**) sick – **Cloninger, DVM** Refunds: \$56.80  
5<sup>TH</sup> Race #3, Coiffeur (Tr. **T. Eaton**) to be ridden by **Julien Couton**  
6<sup>TH</sup> Race #8, Lying Ghost (Tr. **G. Greiner**) to be ridden by **Pedro Flores**

8/9/24<sup>2</sup>

**HUMBERTO GONZALEZ HEARING (24BM0005)**

A scheduled hearing to look into alleged violations of California Horse Racing Board Rules #1481(a)(Occupational Licenses and Fees) and #1485 (2)(License subject to Conditions and Agreements) was tabled as **Mr. Gonzalez** failed to appear. A ruling will be forthcoming.

8/9/24<sup>3</sup>

**ENTRY PANEL**

At 11:00 am Steward **Lewis** joined **Drs. Lorbiecki** and **Franklin** who were present for a review of the horses scheduled to race on Sunday, August 11<sup>TH</sup>. Fourteen horses were designated as “hard watches” for Sunday’s races.

8/9/24<sup>4</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

AT 12:15 PM Jockey **Julien Couton** met with the Stewards to review his ride on **#2 Liberty Wolf** in the first race on Sunday, August 4, 2024. No further action was taken as a result of the film review.

8/9/24<sup>5</sup>

**LOOSE HORSE 1<sup>ST</sup> RACE**

While in the post parade for the first race, number 8, **Nine Fools** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) unseated her rider, **Frank Alvarado**, near the 7/8 pole, the horse then ran the opposite way to the ¼ mile chute, with the outrider following. Outrider **Campoy** apprehended **Nine Fools** in the chute and the jockey was able to mount and join the post parade at the starting gate, **Dr. Cloninger** examined the filly and deemed her fit to compete in the race. **Nine Fools** won the 5 1/2-furlong first race.

8/9/24<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	4,862	\$228,191.97
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	991	\$616,174.59
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$123,055.90
<b>TOTAL</b>	5,525	\$1,273,615.74

**SATURDAY**

8/10/24<sup>1</sup>

**STEWARDS RULING (REF: 8/8/24<sup>(2)</sup>)**

The following ruling was published as a result of Association Employee **Humberto Gonzalez’s** failure to appear to answer to California Horse Racing Board compliant 24BM0005.

**SCF RULING #2**

Association Employee **HUMBERTO GONZALEZ**, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at the Sonoma County Fair (Santa Rosa) on or before August 8, 2024 is hereby suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance before the Board of Stewards to answer to charges alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board Rules #1481 (a)(Occupational Licenses and Fees) and #1485(d)(License Subject to Conditions and Agreements).

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

8/10/24<sup>2</sup>

**PROGRAM CHANGES**

4<sup>TH</sup> Race Scratch #2 **Dallas Alice** (Tr. **G. Vallejo**) panel – Vet History Refunds: \$88.95

6<sup>TH</sup> Race Scratch #4 **Saltybiscuit** (Tr. **J. Bonde**) sick – **F. Franklin, DVM**

Refunds: \$266.10

8<sup>TH</sup> Race Scratch #6 **Hay Juan** (Tr. **J. Ramos**) re-enter – Stewards

Refunds: See Below

8<sup>TH</sup> Race Scratch #9 **Sharona's Wild Boy** (Tr. **M. Stortz**) unsound – **F. Franklin DVM**

Refunds: See Below

8<sup>TH</sup> Race Scratch #10 **Smugger's Rum** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) re-enter – Stewards

Refunds: \$306.60

8/10/24<sup>3</sup>

### **RACE 2 CLAIM VOIDED**

#3 **Smooove as Silk** was reported unsound by **Dr. F. Franklin** and was added to the Vet's List. On that information the Stewards voided the claim, and the horse was to remain with Trainer **Gary Greiner**

8/10/24<sup>4</sup>

### **RACE 5 – INQUIRY**

#6 **Grogu** (Tr. **M. Troy**) drifted out into #2 **Righthand Ryder** (Tr. **S. Calvario**) inside the 1/8 pole. The Stewards ruled that the action of #6 **Grogu** did not cost #2 **Righthand Ryder** a better placing and no change to the order of finish was made.

8/10/24<sup>5</sup>

### **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	2,398	\$280,454.78
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	N/A	\$618,366.41
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$152,783.90
<b>TOTAL</b>	3,540	\$1,696,844.38

## **SUNDAY**

8/11/24<sup>1</sup>

### **PROGRAM CHANGES**

Race 7 Scratch #1 **Atomic Drop** (Tr. **F. Rodriguez**) sick – **Ash Cloninger, DVM**

Refunds: \$1,759.85

8/11/24<sup>2</sup>

### **VOIDED CLAIM**

In the First race a claim submitted for #1 **Channel of Love** (Tr. **S. Sherman**) was voided by CHRB Veterinarian **F. Franklin DVM** after his examination revealed that **Channel of Love** was unsound.

8/11/24<sup>3</sup>

### **RACING ACCIDENT/STEWARDS INQUIRY**

During the running of the fifth (5) race in the stretch #1 **Strength of Autism** (Tr. **I. Tamayo**) stumbled and fell in the stretch unseating jockey **Irving Orozco**. As **Orozco** fell, he was struck by the outside horse and seriously injured. **Dr. DeVour** directed the first responders and prepared **Orozco** for the ambulance trip to the hospital emergency room **Mr. Orozco** was treated for his injuries and was admitted to the hospital for observation and treatment.

8/11/24<sup>4</sup>

### **VETERINARIANS LIST**

After being examined by **Dr. Franklin** in the test barn, for falling in the stretch during the running of the fifth race, **Strength of Autism**, was placed on the Veterinarian's list as injured.

8/11/24<sup>5</sup>

### **LATE JOCKEY CHANGES**

Due to the accident in the fifth (5) race, Jockey **Irving Orozco** was excused from the rest of his mount's today.

Race 6 #4 **Trinidad** (Tr. **R. Hansen**) was ridden by **Adrian Castellanos**

Race 7 #7 **Ballyvaughan Gig** was ridden by **Hugo Herrera**

Race 8 #8 **Sparkle Sweetly** (Tr. **D. Baker**) was ridden by **Julien Couton**

8/11/24<sup>6</sup>

**LATE SCRATCH**

Race 7 scratch #2 **Blazing Peme** (Tr. **C. DeLima**) injured in paddock (**A. Cloninger, DVM**).

8/11/24<sup>7</sup>**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	4,507	\$283,257.86
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	N/A	\$451,688.83
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	N/A	\$117,700.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	5,580	\$1,518,196.02

**SUMMARY**

	<b>Fri 8/9</b>	<b>Sat 8/10</b>	<b>Sun 8/11</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>	1	0	4	5	5
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	0	0	0	3
<b>Refunds</b>	1	3	1	5	22
<b>Rulings</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Voided Claims</b>	0	0	1	1	1

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