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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS  
DEL MAR THOROUGHBRED CLUB  
Del Mar, California**

TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

- Honorable Gregory L. Ferraro, DVM, Chairman
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- Honorable Damascus Castellanos, Member
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- Darrel McHargue, Chief Steward

**Report for Wednesday, November 5, 2025 through Sunday, November 9, 2025.**

**WEDNESDAY**

11/05/25<sup>1</sup>

**DARK DAY ENTRIES**

Luis Jauregui was on duty to oversee and supervise entries for Saturday (10 races), November 8, 2025. He was also responsible to approve program changes for Friday (8 races), November 7, 2025.

11/05/25<sup>2</sup>

**RODRIGUEZ HEARING CASE 25DM0020**

The CHRB filed a complaint against exercise rider Jesse Rodriguez for a possible violation of CHRB rule 1874 (Disorderly Conduct) that occurred on or about July 25, 2025.

The complaint read as follows;

*Exercise Rider Jesse Rodriguez and Stable Foreman Rudy Cruz had a physical and verbal altercation on the backside of Del Mar during morning training. Rodriguez admitted to kicking Cruz during the altercation.*

In attendance before the BOS via Microsoft Teams were CHRB Investigator Octavio Vergara, Jr. and respondent Jesse Rodriguez. Also, licensee Stable Foreman Rudy Cruz was present in the Stewards' office for the hearing. CHRB Investigator Tomas Gandara was available to set up the connections from the Investigator's office at Santa Anita Park. Testimony was heard and documents were entered into evidence.

11/05/25<sup>3</sup>

**LOPEZ HEARING CASE 25SA0131**

The CHRB filed a complaint against Veterinarian's Assistant Cristian T. Lopez for a violation of CHRB rule 1969 (Wagering Prohibited) that occurred on or about September 26, 2025.

*The complaint read as follows;*

*CHRB Investigator Yokoyama observed Cristian Lopez, a staff member of the Receiving Barn, wagering while on-duty at parimutuel window (3-15) in the Mezzanine 3 area of Santa Anita Park.*

*Cristian Lopez was also licensed as a Stable worker and Groom (410077, Exp. 7/2025).*

In attendance before the BOS via Microsoft Teams from Santa Anita Park was CHRB Investigator Hiroshi Yokoyama and in person in Del Mar Race Track Stewards' office, respondent Cristian Lopez. Also, CHRB Investigator Thomas Gandara was available to set up the communication (Microsoft) from the Investigator's office at Santa Anita Park. Testimony was heard and documents were entered into evidence. Decision to follow.

11/05/25<sup>4</sup>

**AGUILAR HEARING CASE 25SA0129**

The CHRB filed a complaint against Veterinarian Assistant Jomel Aguilar for a violation of CHRB rule 1969 (Wagering Prohibited) that occurred on or before September 26, 2025

The complaint read as follows;

*CHRB Investigator Yokoyama observed Jomel Aguilar, a staff member of the Receiving Barn, wagering while on-duty at parimutuel windows in the Mezzanine 3 area of Santa Anita Park.*

*Jomel Aguilar is also licensed as a Stable worker and Groom (326965, Exp. 11/2025).*

In attendance before the BOS via Microsoft Teams, from Santa Anita Park was CHRB Investigator Hiroshi Yokoyama and in person at Del Mar Race Track Steward's office, respondent Jomel Aguilar. Also, CHRB Investigator Thomas Gandara was available to set up the Microsoft communications in the Stewards' office at Del Mar Race Track. Testimony was heard and documents were entered into evidence. Decision to follow.

11/05/25<sup>5</sup>

**RUIZ HEARING CASE 25SA0130**

The CHRB filed a complaint against Veterinarian Assistant Oscar G. Ruiz for a possible violation of CHRB rule 1969 (Wagering Prohibited) that occurred on or before September 26, 2025

The complaint read as follows;

*CHRB Investigator Yokoyama observed Oscar Ruiz, a staff member of the Receiving Barn, wagering while on-duty at parimutuel window (3-12) in the Mezzanine 3 area of Santa Anita Park.*

Oscar Ruiz is also licensed as a Stable worker and Groom (#297405, Exp. 4/2026). Oscar Ruiz was licensed as a Stable Foreman (#403099, Exp. 4/2024).

In attendance before the BOS via Microsoft Teams from Santa Anita Park was CHRB Investigator Hiroshi Yokoyama and in person in the Del Mar Stewards' office, respondent Oscar G. Ruiz. Also, CHRB Investigator Thomas Gandara was available to set up the communications for the BOS in the Del Mar Stewards' office. Testimony was heard and documents were entered into evidence.

## **THURSDAY**

11/06/25<sup>1</sup>

### **MIYADI FORMAL HEARING CASE 25DM0052**

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Steven Miyadi for a possible violation of CHRB rules 1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Racing), 1894 (Duties of Trainer) and 1581.1 (Entries) that occurred on or before July 31, 2025.

The complaint read as follows;

*ZIMBA WARRIOR, trained by Steve Miyadi was entered to race at Del Mar on July 31, 2025. Attending Veterinarian Dr. John Araujo submitted a Recommendation for Veterinary Scratch claiming the horse was ill, to the Official Veterinarian Dr. Nolton Pattio on July 30. The Stewards and Racing Office processed the scratch, which was official at approximately 10 am on July 31, when the horse's name was added to the vet list. Dr. Araujo recorded performing a pre-race exam and administering a Furosemide (Lasix) Injection to Zimba Warrior on July 31 at approximately 7:25am, after Dr. Araujo submitted a Recommendation for Veterinary Scratch, but before the horse's name officially appeared on the Vet List. ZIMBA WARRIOR completed a timed workout on the dirt track at approximately 7:45 am on July 31. Trainer Steven Miyadi is also licensed as a CHRB Owner : (#111397, Exp. 06/2027)*

In attendance before the BOS via Microsoft Teams from Santa Anita Park was CHRB Investigator Anne Dillon. In person before the BOS in the Stewards' office at Del Mar Race Track were CHRB Staff Counsel Jacquelyn Loyd and Court Reporter Michelle Derieg of Weinstein Court Reporter LLC. Also, CHRB Investigator Thomas Gandara was available to set up communications (Microsoft) between the Investigator's office at Santa Anita Park and the Stewards' office at Del Mar Race Track. The hearing scheduled time was 9:00am, Respondent Steven Miyadi was granted twenty minutes grace period (9:20) to appear or communicate with the BOS and failed to do so. The record was opened and documents were submitted as evidence that pertained to the date and time of proper notification of the hearing to trainer/owner Steven Miyadi.

11/06/25<sup>2</sup>

### **ARAUJO FORMAL HEARING CASE 25DM0017**

The CHRB filed a complaint against Veterinarian John Araujo for a possible violation of CHRB rule 1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Racing) and 1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication).

The complaint read as follows;

*ZIMBA WARRIOR, trained by Steve Miyadi was entered to race at Del Mar on July 31, 2025. Attending Veterinarian Dr. John Araujo submitted a Recommendation for Veterinary Scratch claiming the horse was ill, to the Official Veterinarian Dr. Nolton Pattio on July 30. The Stewards and Racing Office processed the scratch, which was*

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In attendance before the BOS via Microsoft Teams from Santa Anita Park were CHRB Investigator Anne Dillon and Respondent John Araujo DVM. In person before the BOS in the Del Mar Race Track Stewards' office were CHRB Staff Counsel Jacquelyn Loyd, Court Reporter Michelle Derieg of Weinstein Court Reporter LLC. Also, CHRB Investigator Thomas Gandara was available to set up the communications (Microsoft) from the Investigator's office at Santa Anita Park. Testimony was heard and documents were entered into evidence, decision to follow.

**FRIDAY**  
11/07/25<sup>1</sup>

**MIYADI RULING (REF: 11/06/25 (1))**

The following ruling was issued after Mr. Miyadi failed to appear for his previously scheduled hearing.

**DFTD Ruling #02**

Trainer STEVE MIYADI, having failed to respond to written notice to appear before the Board of Stewards at Del Mar Race Track on or before November 6, 2025, is suspended effective November 21, 2025, for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) pending an appearance at a hearing before Board of Stewards to answer to charges alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Racing), Rule #1894 (Duties of Trainer) and Rule #1581.1 (Entries).

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

11/07/25<sup>2</sup>

**RODRIGUEZ RULING ref-11-05-25 (2)**

The following ruling was issued after the BOS determined an appropriate penalty for Mr. Rodriguez for being the aggressor in the physical altercation.

**DFTD Ruling #03**

Exercise Rider JESSE RODRIGUEZ is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – Physical /Verbal Altercation) on July 25, 2025 at Del Mar Race Track.

Furthermore, JESSE RODRIGUEZ must be evaluated by the Winners Foundation (Anger Management) abide by the terms set by their recommendation, and ordered to sign a testing agreement while holding a license with the California Horse Racing Bard.

\*California Horse Racing Board Rule #1532 requires that fines be paid (to the paymaster of purses) within seven calendar days from the date of the ruling, or the license of the person upon whom the fine has been imposed shall be suspended.

11/07/25<sup>3</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW**

Abel Lezcano was directed to meet with the Stewards after the disqualification of his mount in last Sunday's seventh race (ref 11-02-25<sup>(2)</sup>). His agent, Ryan Glatt informed the Stewards that Mr. Lezcano was unable to appear due to working horses at Santa Anita Park. Mr. Glatt was informed to have Mr. Lezcano have a representative appear. Jockey Armando Ayuso met with the Stewards to review the race for Jockey Lezcano. Upon a thorough review of all angles Mr. Lezcano in a unanimous decision received a penalty for careless riding listed in the following ruling.

**DFTD Ruling #04**

Jockey ABEL LEZCANO, who rode SPYCATCHER in the seventh race at Del Mar Race Track on November 2, 2025, is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (November 21, 22, and 23, 2025) for failure to maintain a straight course causing interference, resulting in a disqualification from third to fourth place; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (Riding – careless riding).

11/07/25<sup>4</sup>

**INQUIRY /NO CHANGE /SIXTH RACE- 1 mile dirt**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident at the start that involved #2 Kilmer (H. I. Berrios DNF). As Starter Jay Slender dispatched the field simultaneously #2 became unruly, jockey Berrios stayed in the gate and the horse competed in the race without a rider. In a unanimous decision the horse was declared a starter per CHRB rule 1696 (The Start).

11/07/25<sup>5</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund \$194.89
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund \$95.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#2 Marla Hooch (Tr. P. D'Amato) Veterinarian-loose post parade-Dr. Cassady. Refund \$23,744.36
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	#4 Petesoldfashioned (Tr. S. Miyadi) claimed by Tr. J. Gilmore
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund \$110.36
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Kilmer (Tr. O. J. Jauregui) DNF. Refund \$560.00
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	No Changes. Refund \$2,024.40
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	#4 Imnotvanillasky (Tr. M. Glatt) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio #5 E Z Reward (Tr. E. Alvarez) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio Refund \$1,541.97

11/07/25<sup>6</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	2,401	318,928.46
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	2,407	2,867,900.62
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	n/a	4,242,553.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	4,808	7,429,382.48

**SATURDAY ROUTINE MORNING**

11/08/25<sup>1</sup>

The BOS were able to attend to regular duties. Racing office questions were answered, phone calls were returned to patrons who had questions with previous race day decisions and several calls and visits from licensees were also satisfied.

11/08/25<sup>2</sup>

**INQUIRY /NO CHANGE /FIRST RACE-1 mile turf**

Following the running of the race the inquiry sign was posted to review an incident approaching the finish line. Involved were #1 My Perfect Wave (U. Rispoli 1st), #2 Pura Vida Princess (A. Fresu 3rd) and #3 Bint Al Dandy (IRE) (H. I. Berrios 2nd).

After a review of the video, a report from the Patrol Judge and conversation with all the jockeys involved in a unanimous opinion the original order of finish was made official. There was contact between all three horses near the finish line but this did not affect the final placings.

11/08/25<sup>3</sup>

**VOIDED CLAIM**

After a physical examination of #6 Harcyn who raced in the third race by Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio, the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List and the Stewards voided the claim. The horse returned to the stable of trainer Genaro Vallejo.

11/08/25<sup>4</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #5 Sweet Gem (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Cassady. Refund \$1,292.92

2<sup>nd</sup> Race NO SHOW WAGERING

#2 Tamarando Beach (Tr. D. Pederson) claimed by Tr. R. Ellis

#3 Shadowban (Tr. G. Papaprodromou) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Cassady. Refund \$795.72

3<sup>rd</sup> Race #6 Harcyn (Tr. G. Vallejo) claimed by Tr. D. O'Neill

#8 Dinos Dixie (Tr. L. Barocio) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio

#10 Betterdayscoming (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed by Tr. A. Farias

#11 Sharp Aza Tack (Tr. H. Palma) claimed by Tr. A. Farias Refund \$581.70

4<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Like and Subscribe (Tr. A. Kitchingman) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio. Refund \$544.25

5<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund \$53.00

6<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund \$60.50

7<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Summer Lake (Tr. C. Gaines) Veterinarian-unsound-Dr. Cassady. Refund \$1,488.94

8<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund \$0.00

9<sup>th</sup> Race #7 Sir Percival (Tr. P. Gallagher) Veterinarian-injured starting gate-Dr. Cassady. Refund \$47,461.86

11/08/25<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	3,826	518,160.31
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	4,219	5,074,652.34
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	n/a	7,291,306.32
<b>TOTAL</b>	8,045	12,884,118.97

**SUNDAY**  
11/09/25<sup>1</sup>

**ARAUJO RULING**

The following ruling was issued after determination that Dr. Araujo had violated CHRB rule 1845 as he administered Furosemide (Lasix) to a Miyadi trained horse for a 5/8's workout on the day it was scheduled to race. A scratch card was submitted the day prior (sick), but the horse was "not" officially declared out of the race until scratch time (10:00 a.m.), then the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List. Therefore, Dr. Araujo technically treated an in-today horse with the medication.

**DFTD Ruling #05**

Veterinarian JOHN ARAUJO, who treated the horse ZIMBA WARRIOR on race day prior to being officially scratched on July 31, 2025 at Del Mar Race Track is fined

FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication Treated In-Today Horse).

11/09/25<sup>2</sup>

**JOCKEY FILM REVIEW REF: 10/08/25(2)**

As directed Hector I. Berrios met with the Stewards to review his ride that involved an inquiry in yesterday's first race. After a review he left the office with a warning. In a unanimous opinion all three horses in a tight spread contributed to the contact that occurred at the wire.

11/09/25<sup>3</sup>

**VOIDED CLAIM**

After a physical examination by Official Veterinarian Nolton Pattio of # 5 Press Your Luck who performed in the fourth race, the horse was placed on the Veterinarian's List. The Stewards voided the claim and the horse returned to the stable of trainer Doug O'Neill.

11/09/25<sup>4</sup>

**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #1 Conquistadora (Tr. M McCarthy) Stewards-entered back  
#2 Channel Place (Tr. D. O'Neill) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Cassady. Refund \$6,155.64

2<sup>nd</sup> Race #5 Double Cappuccino (Tr. E. Alvarez) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio. Refund \$466.45

3<sup>rd</sup> Race No Changes. Refund \$0.00

4<sup>th</sup> Race #5 Press Your Luck (Tr. D. O'Neill) claimed by Tr. E. Alvarez - VOID  
#8 Lena Lingard (Tr. S. Miyadi) claimed by Tr. J. Faris Refund \$99.94

5<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes.

6<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Youramystyle (Tr. C. Kelly) claimed by Tr. P. Miller  
#2 Nameless (Tr. G. Vallejo) claimed by Tr. S. Williams  
#3 Leyas Candy (Tr. A. Harris) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio  
#7 Maniac (IRE) (Tr. R. Mandella) claimed by tr. G. Papaprodromou.  
#8 Come Out Fighting (Tr. B. McLean) claimed by Tr. S. Williams. Refund \$1,546.59

7<sup>th</sup> Race #9 Jacklyn Lucas (Tr. S. Miyadi) Veterinarian-sick-Dr. Pattio Refund \$10,936.94

8<sup>th</sup> Race No Changes. Refund \$322.42

9<sup>th</sup> Race #1 Lady Rider (Tr. V. Cerin) Veterinarian-injured-Dr. Pattio  
#5 Exington (Tr. S. Miyadi) E. Maldonado replaced T. Pereira (no call). Refund \$3,359.21

11/09/25<sup>5</sup>

**DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

<b>ON TRACK</b>	2,828	353,905.99
<b>SCOTWINC</b>	3,866	3,338,138.38
<b>OUT OF STATE + ADW</b>	n/a	6,455,035.18
<b>TOTAL</b>	6,694	10,147,079.55

**VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 11/25/25 TO 11/31/25**

Horses on Vet List	22
Horses off Vet List	14
Shock Wave Therapy	6
Fatalities	-0-
Medication	-0-
Claims Voided	2

**SUMMARY**

	No Racing	No Racing	Fri 11/07	Sat 11/08	Sun 11/09	Week
<b>Accidents</b>	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	0
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>			5	4	3	12
<b>Claims</b>	n/a	n/a	1	3	5	9
<b>Disqualifications</b>			0	0	0	0
<b>Inquiries</b>	n/a	n/a	1	1	0	2
<b>Refunds</b>			7	8	8	23
<b>Rulings</b>	n/a	n/a	3	0	1	4
<b>Voided Claims</b>			0	1	1	2

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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Grant Baker, Steward

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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