

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, INC Arcadia, California

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Report for Monday, May 11, 2026, through Sunday, May 17, 2026.

MONDAY05/11/26¹**ENTRY DAY**

The racing office was open today accepting entries for Saturday, May 16, 2026. Racing Secretary Jason Egan and his staff put together a nice racing card of nine (9) races. Seventy-seven (77) horses are scheduled to start. Steward Kim Sawyer was on duty managing all matters for the CHRB.

TUESDAY05/12/26¹**ENTRY DAY**

Racing Officials Bob Moreno and Charles McCaul, who have over eighty (80) years of experience between them, drew nine (9) races at the front counter of the racing office today. Seventy-three (73) horses are scheduled to start on Sunday, May 17, 2026. Kim Sawyer was the Duty Steward today.

THURSDAY05/14/26¹**THOMAS HALASZ HEARING (CASE #26SA0028)**

Owner Thomas Halasz appeared in the Stewards' Office this morning to answer to an alleged violation of CHRB Rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility). CHRB Investigator Anne Dillion prepared a sixteen (16) page complaint packet for this hearing. The cover page of the complaint reads as follows:

Thomas Halasz is indebted to KC Horse Transport in the amount of \$7,541.82 for transportation services in 2025.

Kerrie Sahadi from KC Horses Transport contacted us on speakerphone. A Financial Complaint Agreement was reached between the two parties. Owner Halasz has agreed to pay KC Horse Transport \$500 a month until the end of 2026, at which time the outstanding bill will be paid in full. The Stewards are not ordering the \$780.29 of interest owed in this case to be paid.

05/14/26²

STEWARDS' COMMITTEE MEETING

The Stewards participated in a Stewards' Committee meeting that was held on the Microsoft Teams Format. The meeting had several agenda items, including two (2) film reviews. CHRB Chief Steward Darrel McHargue chaired today's meeting. The following Stewards participated in the meeting.

1. Steward Kim Sawyer
2. Steward Luis Jauregui
3. Steward Grant Baker
4. Steward Brice Blanc
5. Steward Tom McCarthy
6. Steward Eddie Rich
7. Steward Paul Atkinson
8. Steward Tom Ward
9. Steward Ron Church
10. Steward Davd Nuesch
11. Steward George Yniguez
12. Vince Somma—CHRB Chief of Board Operations
13. Jacquelyn Loyd—CHRB General Counsel
14. Amanda Brown—CHRB Chief Counsel
15. Jeff Blea DVM—CHRB Equine Medical Director
16. Scott Chaney—CHRB Executive Director

The CHRB Stewards Committee consists of CHRB Chairman Dr. Greg Ferraro, Commissioner Dennis Alfieri and Commissioner Brenda Washington-Davis. A very good back and forth was had by all.

05/14/26³

OWNER GARY EDWARDS COMPLAINT (COMPLAINT #26SA0029)

The Stewards were informed Owner Gary Edwards has paid his bill in full. This case has now been officially withdrawn.

The cover page of this complaint reads as follows:

Gary Edwards is indebted to KC Horse Transport in the amount of \$970.70 for transportation services rendered between October 1, 2025.

05/14/26⁴

OWNER MYRON MILLER COMPLAINT (#26SA0026)

The Stewards were informed Owner Myron Miller has paid his bill in full. This case has now been officially withdrawn.

The cover page of this complaint reads as follows:

Myron Miller is indebted to KC Horse Transport in the amount of \$1,135.00 for transportation services rendered between May 9, 2025, and June 17, 2025.

05/14/26⁵

OWNER CHRISTINE LEVEL COMPLAINT (#26SA0039)

The Stewards were informed Owner Christine Level has paid her bill in full. This case has now been officially withdrawn.

The cover page of this complaint reads as follows:

Christine Level is indebted to KC Horse Transport in the amount of \$373.12 for transportation services rendered between September 15, 2025, and December 31, 2025.

FRIDAY
05/15/26¹

CHRB VISITORS

CHRB Executive Director Scott Chaney and CHRB Deputy Executive Director Cynthia Alameda stopped by our office to discuss horse racing current events. We enjoyed the visit.

We had four (4) additional visitors from CHRB staff today. Those individuals were the following.

1. Andrew Riordon—Sacramento IT Department
2. Amador Villanueva—Los Alamitos IT Department
3. Joesph Carter—Sacramento IT Department
4. Candace Taylor— Sacramento IT Department

These individuals spent time with us in the Stewards' Office this morning and in the afternoon in Judges' Stand. We explained some of our duties and they explained some of theirs. We felt this time was well spent.

05/15/26²

GOOD RACING

Today's ninth race card went well as it was free of Steward Inquiries and/or Jockey Objections.

05/15/26³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 4TH Race Declaration #2 Shared Future (Tr. M. Rheinford) Injured-Nolton Pattio VMD. REFUND: \$652.36
- 4TH Race NO SHOW WAGERING
- 9TH Race Declaration #4 Marian Cross (GB) (Tr. Dan Blacker) Entered Back-Stewards. REFUND: \$956.49

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ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	2,533	\$426,958.63
SCOTWINC	2,605	\$876,129.42
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	\$4,003,219.90
TOTAL	5,138	\$5,756,672.71

SATURDAY
05/16/26¹

JOEL ROSARIO FILM REVIEW/HISA RULING

Jockey Joel Rosario appeared in the Stewards' Office to review his winning ride in yesterday's (May 16) eighth race. Jockey Rosario was aboard #1 Pacer in this six (6) furlong event contested on the main track. Today's film review shows Jockey Rosario using his riding crop seven (7) times, which is one (1) over the HISA maximum limit. Jockey Rosario agreed with the Stewards' film analysis. This is his first riding crop violation for 2026.

HISA RULING

Having violated the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2280 (Use of Riding Crop) and pursuant to Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority Rule #2282 (Ruling Crop Violations and Penalties - Class 3), Jockey JOEL ROSARIO, who rode PACER in the eighth race (Purse \$21,000) at Santa Anita Park on May 15, 2026, is suspended for ONE (1) day (May 30, 2026) and fined TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00) for ONE (1) strike over the limit.

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

05/16/26²

GOOD RACING

Today's ten (10) race card went well, as it was free of Steward Inquires and/or Jockey Objections.

05/16/26³

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

3rd Race #7 Shangrilama (IRE) (Tr. P. Miller) claimed, R. Thomas, trainer
 4th Race #1 Grandisimo (Tr. I. Tamayo) claimed, A Mathis, trainer
 5th Race Declaration #8 Grazed (Tr. P. Miller) Unsound—Jay Deluhery DVM
 REFUND: \$1,188.33
 6th Race Declaration #6 Little Originaire (Tr. S. Miyadi) Sick- Jay Deluhery
 DVM. REFUND: \$171.50
 8th Race Declaration #1 Backstage Drama (Tr. J. Valdez) Sick—Nolton Pattio
 VMD. REFUND: \$181.24
 10th Race Declaration #1 Little Gator (Tr. A. Garcia) Injured—Laurie Bohannon
 DVM. REFUND: \$248.94

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ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	11,893	\$1,340,610.11
SCOTWINC	6,707	\$2,657,187.91
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	\$6,982,137.53
TOTAL	18,600	\$12,295,653.97

SUNDAY

05/17/26¹

JOSE HERNANDEZ JR. RULING

Trainer Jose Hernandez did not register his horse War Artist in a timely manner prior to his participation in the first race on May 16, 2026. In a unanimous decision the following ruling was issued.

LATS RULING #67

Trainer JOSE HERNANDEZ, JR., who started the horse WAR ARTIST in the first race on May 16, 2026, at Santa Anita Park, is fined FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00)* for violation of rule #1845 (Authorized Bleeder Medication – late registration).

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FOURTH RACE INQUIRY

Stewards posted the Inquiry sign following an incident in the final 1/16th of a mile of this one (1) mile event on the main track. Of particular note were the actions of Jockey Tiago Pereira, who checked his mount (#6 Lady Ruth-fourth place) from between two (2) rival horses. Those horses were first place finisher #2 Hot Rod Christine (Kyle Frey) and second place finisher #1 Springline (Adrian Escobedo).

Film review shows that #2 Hot Christine and #1 Springline were not perfectly straight in the final stages of this race. However, their straying from a straight path was minimal and did not rise to a change of the original placings. Therefore, in a unanimous decision, there was 'no change' in the order of finish. Jockeys Kyle Frey and Adrian Escobedo were ordered to film review with the Stewards.

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DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race Declaration #6 Off Your Rocker (Tr. L. Powell) Injured- Jay Deluhery DVM
 REFUND: \$2,175.02
 3rd Race Declaration #3 Latter Than Planned (IRE) Stake-Stewards
 REFUND: \$1,869.40
 3rd Race No Show Wagering
 4th Race #3 Miss Hot and Cold (Tr. P. Aguirre) claimed, R. Hanson, trainer
 5th Race Declarations #3 Tom Seaver (Tr. A. Mathis) Stewards

#9 Golden Ale (Tr. B. Wright) Nolton Pattio VMD
 REFUND TOTAL: \$2,936.94

6th Race Declarations #5 Shady Appeal (Tr. J. Bonde) Sick-Jay Deluhery DVM
 #6 Autism Puzzle (Tr. J. Farias) Sick-Jay Deluhery DVM
 #7 Alan's Conquest (Tr. J. Uranga) Flipped during Saddling-Jay Deluhery
 DVM. REFUND TOTAL: \$3,950.23

6th Race #1 Please Focus (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed, D. Jensen, trainer
 #3 Des Doigts (Tr. R. DeLeon) claimed, G. Lopez, trainer

7th Race Declaration #2 Forum Confidential (Tr. J. Uranga) Fell leaving walking
 ring—Jay Deluhery DVM. REFUND: \$13,084.44

8th Race #6 Cruisin for Cali (Tr. S. Knapp) claimed, M. Puype, trainer

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ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

ON TRACK	5,357	\$646,761.57
SCOTWINC	2,772	\$960,163.78
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	\$7,139,115.65
TOTAL	8,129	\$9,213,763.16

SUMMARY

	Fri 05/15	Sat 05/16	Sun 05/17	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	10
Cal-Bred Races	1	4	1	6	119
Claims	0	2	4	6	140
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	5
Inquiries	0	0	1	1	31
Refunds	6	8	9	23	349
Rulings	0	0	1	1	67
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	19

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 05/11/26 TO 05/17/26

Horses on Vet List 14
 Horses off Vet List 15
 Shock Wave Therapy 6
 Fatalities 1
 Medication 0

Grant Baker, Steward

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Luis Jauregui, Steward