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Report for Monday, October 19, 2026, through Sunday, October 25, 2026.

MONDAY

10/19/26[1] **ENTRIES**

Steward Kim Sawyer was in the office on Monday morning to oversee entries for October 24th. The racing office carded nine (9) races for Saturday.

TUESDAY

10/20/26[1] **ENTRIES/PROGRAM CHANGES**

On Tuesday morning Steward Kim Sawyer was in again to monitor Sunday's races. The office carded nine (9) races for Sunday's card.

THURSDAY

10/22/26[1] **ORDONEZ HEARING (case #26SA0169)**

Trainer AGGIE ORDONEZ was in our office to respond to a complaint filed by the CHRB for rule #1852 (Reporting to Receiving Barn) for the seventh race on September 25, 2026. Ms. Ordonez stated that her horse was very difficult to put the bridle on, and they had troubles that day. Also, she alerted us that this horse was scratched with the previous trainer. We do recall the day this horse was scratched. After hearing her testimony and entering all the exhibits, the hearing came to an end. Decision to follow.

10/22/26[2] **MORFIN HEARING (case #26SA0170)**

Exercise Rider SALVADOR P. MORFIN was in our office to respond to a formal complaint filed by the CHRB for violations of CHRB rule #1481 (Occupational License- 59 Counts) and #1902 (Conduct Detrimental to Horse Racing) alleging that the offenses occurred between September 1-30, 2026. Presenting the case was CHRB Investigator Hiroshi Yokoyama and recording the proceedings was court reporter Andy Hsiao from Weinstein Court Reporters LLC. Also, in the hearing was Witness Trainer Ruben Gomez. The complaint reads as follows:

Salvador Morfin has had an expired Exercise Rider license since May 31, 2025. Salvador Morfin was granted two stalls in the Holding Barn for the Fall 2026 meet at Santa Anita Park which were reported to be for pony horses. He is 50% owner of HIT THE TRACK JACK and STREET EMPEROR, and he shipped them from Del Mar on September 11, 2026, and placed them in the two Holding Barn stalls. Salvador Morfin admitted to being the exercise rider for both racehorses during the month of September 2026 which amounted to 59 training events recorded on the training chart by trainer Ruben Gomez. The stall application submitted by Salvador Morfin to Santa Anita Park showed evidence of conduct detrimental to horse racing as he falsely represented the stalls were intended for pony horses when they were actually occupied by racehorses.

After hearing all the testimony and entering all the exhibits into the record, the hearing came to an end. Decision to follow.

10/22/26[3] **LOZA HEARING (case #26SA0171)**

Exercise Rider JORGE LOZA was in to our office responding to a complaint filed by the CHRB for rule violation #1874 (Disorderly Conduct - working under the influence of alcohol) alleging that he was galloping while under the influence during training at Santa Anita Park on September 27, 2026. Also present in the hearing was Santa Anita Security Sergeant Brendon Islas. Mr. Loza stated that he was out late drinking the night before and he came into work intoxicated. He was very apologetic and has already started attending Winners Foundation classes. Plus, he's been taking a breathalyzer test every morning with the CHRB. Decision to follow.

FRIDAY

10/23/26[1] **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

This morning we held an Inclement weather meeting to discuss the track conditions after receiving ¾ of inch of rain. In attendance before the BOS were Santa Anita GM/Senior VP Nate Newby, Senior VP/ Exc. Producer Amy Zimmerman, Track Superintendent Rob Moore (via telephone), CHRB Equine Medical Director Dr. Jeff Blea, CTT Executive Director Alan Balch, Director of Racing/ Racing Secretary Jason Egan, Safety Steward Paul Atkinson and Jockey Guild Western Regional Manager Darrell Haire. The meeting was quick and to the point.

10/23/26[2] **ORDONEZ RULING**

Trainer AGGIE ORDONEZ was issued the following "warning" ruling in regards to yesterday's hearing.

LATC Ruling #14

Trainer AGGIE ORDONEZ is issued an OFFICIAL WARNING for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1852 (Reporting to the Receiving Barn – late) at Santa Anita Park on September 25, 2026.

10/23/26[3] **FILM REVIEWS**

Jockey CRISTOBAL HERRERA was in to review his usage of the riding crop in Sundays' sixth race in which he possibly violated. Mr. Herrera stated that he was flagging out of the gate and that he never used it. We reviewed it several times, and the video wasn't clear to determine if he violated the rule. Therefore, he left with a warning.

Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE was issued the following ruling after he elected not to come in and accepted the penalty. Mr. Van Dyke violated the crop rule when he went

over the permitted amount one time in Sunday's ninth race. This was his second offense in the last 180 days.

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 - second offense), Jockey DRAYDEN VAN DYKE , who rode TO THE STARS in the ninth race (Purse $65,000) at Santa Anita Park on October 18, 2026, is suspended for TWO (2) days (November 6 and 7, 2026) and fined ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($1,000.00) 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.

(HISA #2026-19886, issued 09/03/2026)

10/23/26[4] **GOOD RACING**

The nine-race card went very well, with no major issues to report. Any late changes or declarations are listed below.

10/23/26[5] **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race	No changes. Refund $0.00
2nd Race	No changes. Refund $1.00
3rd Race	#2 Sammy Rubber- Claimed by C. Dollase, trainer
4th Race	#8 Hankering- Claimed by F. Rodriguez, trainer
5th Race	#2 Hey Lil Lady- A. Ayuso replaces J. Leparoux, travel
6th Race	No changes. Refund $0.00
7th Race	#1 Quick Sip- A. Ayuso replaces J. Leparoux, travel. Refund $21.00
8th Race	#4 Miz Clubcall- Claimed by F. Rodriguez, trainer
	#7 Harney Lane- Claimed by A. Garcia, trainer. Refund $50.00
9th Race	#5 Danzingwith Maxine- Claimed by T. Yakteen, trainer
	#9 Cameron Slough- Stewards' scratch- also eligible. Refund $403.00

10/23/26[6] **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

ON TRACK	2,381	$334,334.03
SCOTWINC	2,147	$716,446.70
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	$4,049,328.11
TOTAL	4,528	$5,455,990.44

SATURDAY

10/24/26[1] **VILLANUEVA VISIT**

CHRB Internet Technician Amador Villanueva was in our office helping us with any technical issues we have with our electronics. We really appreciate his assistance.

10/24/26[2] **JOCKEY IN**

Jockey JULIEN LEPAROUX was called into our office to explain why he missed two of his mounts for Friday. Mr. Leparoux said his plane was delayed for over an hour in Denver when he changed planes. He was in Kentucky to work one of his Breeders Cup mounts. We warned him that communication is important when he's going to be late. He promised in the future that he would be better at communicating with us.

10/24/26[3] **STEWARDS' REVIEW**

After the running of the first race, we posted the Stewards' Review sign to examine the start of the #8 Not A Sinner (IRE) who hopped at the break. After reviewing the video several times, in a unanimous opinion, the #8 had caused his own issues. Therefore, no inquiry was conducted.

10/24/26[4] **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race	#4 With Love (GB)- Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Grande, injured #7 Midnight Cowgirl- Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Pattio, injured Refund $1,782.94
2nd Race	#1 Mad Pursuit- Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Pattio, sick Refund $431.90
3rd Race	#2 Real as It Gets- Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Deluhery, sick Refund $672.10
4th Race	No changes. Refund $32.00
5th Race	No changes. Refund $42.00
6th Race	#2 Bill N Deet- LATE Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Deluhery, injured #5 Teenie Bit Tipsy- Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Deluhery, unsound Refund $19,712.52
7th Race	No changes. Refund $0.00
8th Race	#7 March of Time- VOIDED claim, returns to B. Baffert, trainer
9th Race	No changes. Refund $0.00

10/24/26[5] **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

ON TRACK	15,038	$717,206.80
SCOTWINC	3,070	$1,154,430.45
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	$4,913,872.08
TOTAL	18,108	$7,402,709.84

SUNDAY

10/25/26[1] **LOZA RULING**

The following ruling was put out after consideration of the evidence presented in Thursday's hearing.

LATC RULING #15

Exercise Rider JORGE LOZA is fined TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS ($200.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct - intoxication) on September 27, 2026, at Santa Anita Park.

Furthermore, JORGE LOZA must be evaluated by the Winners Foundation, abide by the terms set by their recommendations, and sign a testing agreement while holding a license with the California Horse Racing Board. Failure to do so may result in a suspension of all licenses held by JORGE LOZA.

*California Horse Racing Board Rule #1532 requires "that fines shall 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."

10/25/26[2] **FILM REVIEW**

Jockey ABEL LEZCANO was in to review his ride in yesterday's fourth race for an incident in the first turn. Mr. Lezcano was going into the first turn with three horses to his inside when he was dropping into the turn causing the winner to steady slightly. Lezcano stated that the inside horse sent hard causing the space to tighten up. The

majority believes that the inside horse did force his way into a spot, causing a horse to steady off Lezcano's heels. Therefore, the majority voted not to issue Mr. Lezcano a suspension. Steward Baker voted for suspension.

10/25/26[3] **GOOD RACING**

Today's nine race card went well, with no major issues to report. Attendance was good this weekend, with Japan Family Day & Tokyo City Cup festivities filling the grandstand.

10/25/26[4] **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race	#4 American Glory (GB)- Claimed by D. O'Neill, trainer
	#7 Dynodave- Claimed by H. Palma, trainer
	#8 Dhitjari (GB)- Claimed by S. Knapp, trainer. Refund $718.00
2nd Race	#2 Dustem Too- Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Bohannon, injured
	#6 Running Super- Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Deluhery, injured (NO SHOW WAGERING). Refund $1,046.08
3rd Race	No changes. Refund $6.00
4th Race	#6 Meeking- Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Deluhery, injured. Refund $253.10
5th Race	No changes. Refund $0.00
6th Race	No changes. Refund $0.00
7th Race	No changes. Refund $525.00
8th Race	#11 Foregoneconclusion- Stewards' scratch- also eligible. Refund $486.40
9th Race	#8 Green Carrera (GB)- Veterinarian scratch, Dr. Deluhery, injured
	#11 Somerset West- Stewards' scratch, stake
	Refund $6,715.43

10/25/26[5] **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

ON TRACK	10,247	$617,072.31
SCOTWINC	2,666	$908,281.17
OUT OF STATE + ADW	n/a	$5,332,376.85
TOTAL	12,913	$7,315,333.97

VETERINARIAN REPORT – WEEK OF 10/19/26 – 10/25/26

Horses on Vet List	13
Horses off Vet List	13
Shock Wave Therapy	5
Fatalities	0
Medication	0

SUMMARY

	Fri 10/23	Sat 10/24	Sun 10/25	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	2	2	4	8	43
Claims	5	0	5	10	40
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	2
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	10
Refunds	4	6	7	17	115
Rulings	0	1	1	2	15
Voided Claims	1	0	0	1	5

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Luis Jauregui, Steward

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Grant Baker, Steward

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Kim Sawyer, Steward

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