

California Horse Racing Board

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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GENERAL DATA:

Dates: 32 days – October 21, 2020 through December 22, 2020, Thursday through Sunday.
Entries: 48 to 168 hours in advance
Scratch Times: 10:00 a.m. race day
Post Times: 1:15 p.m. daily
Wagering Offered: Win, Place and Show; Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Rolling Super High Five, Rolling Double, Pick 2, Pick 4, Pick 5 & Pick 6.
Northern California Satellite Facilities:
Fresno, Fresno Club One, Monterey, Pleasanton, Sacramento, San Mateo, Santa Rosa, Stockton, San Jose, and Vallejo.

BOARD OF STEWARDS

*Dennis Nevin *Will Meyers *Grant Baker
*Richard Lewis, Safety Steward

Report for the Week of Wednesday, October 21, 2020 through Sunday, October 25, 2020

WEDNESDAY

10/21/20¹

DUTY STEWARDS

Grant Baker was on hand for Saturday's entries. A ten-race program was drawn.

THURSDAY

10/22/20¹

OFFICIAL CHANGE

Steward **Will Meyers** was again absent today. Steward **Richard Lewis** filled his spot.

10/22/20²

DECLARATIONS:

1ST Race: #1 **Crash Corrigan** (Tr. **Steve Miyadi**) Injured – DVM Batten Total Refunds \$495.59

4TH Race: #1 **Golden Goddess** (Tr. **Angelo Tekos**) Total Refunds \$368.42

Rule #1628 (Declaration for Physical Disability)

#5 **Kiss Of Congrats** (Tr. **R. Amescua**) Injured – DVM Putt Total Refund \$See Above

5TH Race: #5 **Fort York** (Tr. **D. Wayne Baker**) Sick – DVM Batten Total Refunds \$106.70

10/22/20³

RULING #1 – TERRY JOHNSON-(20GG0134) (REF 10-18-20³)

Ruling #1

Trainer **Terry Johnson** is fined the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1890 (b) (Possession of Contraband- Expired **Acepromazine/Phenylbutazone Tablets**) on September 24, 2020 at Golden Gate Fields.

The forgoing ruling was issued subsequent to the informal hearing held on Sunday, October 18, 2020. During testimony **Mr. Johnson** stated he had not used the medication due to the fact that he believed it had surpassed its expiration date.

10/22/20⁴

RULING #2 - JOCKEY AYUSO-(REF 10-18-20⁶)

Ruling #2

Jockey **Armando Ayuso** who rode **Desert Fog** in the first race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, October 18, 2020 is suspended five (5) racing days October 30, 31, November 1, 5 & 6, 2020, for failure to maintain a straight course leaving the Starting Gate causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from third to fourth. A violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules-Careless Riding-second violation in the last sixty (60) days).

The above ruling was issued after Jockey **Armando Ayuso** reviewed video of the start of Sunday's first race with this panel of Stewards. Video shows his mount #2, **Desert Fog**, breaking inward for four strides causing #1 **Kenna Is Spicy** with Jockey **Kyle Frey** to take up. The video shows **Ayusa** using no effort to straighten his mount and in fact tapped his horse on the right shoulder while his mount was angled in.

10/22/20⁵

ROMAN MEETING

Jockey **Evin Roman** visited this office as requested after being late to the paddock on Sunday, October 18, for the fifth race. Paddock Judge **Linda Anderson** testified that this was **Roman's** first offense and up to now has not been a problem. This panel was unanimous in issuing a warning.

10/22/20⁶

ALL CLEAR

This afternoon's seven races were conducted without incident.

10/22/20⁷

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	190	\$107,031.98
Out of State + ADW	n/a	\$652,662.58
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$40,772.20
Total	190	\$800,466.76

FRIDAY

10/23/20¹

CALM DAY

Today's business was conducted in a routine matter. This afternoons racing was conducted without incident.

10/23/20²

PROGRAM CHANGES

4TH Race: Jockey **Irving Orozco** for **Francisco Monroy** – Injured

6TH Race: Jockey **Pedro Flores** for **David C. Lopez** – Injured

9TH Race Declaration: #1 **Awesome Silver** (Tr. **R.B. Hess**) Sick – Dr. Putt – Refund \$477.48

10/23/20³

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	450	\$311,825.67
Out of State + ADW	n/a	\$1,228,782.25
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$93,326.15
Total	450	\$1,633,934.07

SATURDAY
10/24/20¹

WRIGHT HEARING CASE #20GG0120

Trainer **Blaine Wright** appeared in our office today to plead guilty, and take responsibility for a “**Dantrolene**” overage on the filly “**Miss Indefatigable**” who finished first in the seventh race on September 7, 2020 at Golden Gate Fields. U.C. Davis Laboratories reported a concentration of 460 pg/ml well above the medication limit of 100 pg/ml allowed by California Horse Racing Board Rule #1844 (Authorized Medication).

Trainer **Wright** opined that since the race was held on a Monday and the normal race schedule was Thursday through Sunday, his Forman **Pascual Garcia** may have medicated the horse on Sunday. The foreman probably thought the filly was in Thursday which would have been the norm. **Dantrolene** is a Skeletal Muscle Relaxant which is a Class 4 penalty C violation. Disposition to follow.

10/24/20²

1ST RACE INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry Sign was posted to review the start of this One Mile Event concerning third place finisher #1 **The Ref (Silvio Amador)** and fifth place finisher #2 **Call Me Soul (Frank Alvarado)**. Tapes show #1 break out at the start causing **Alvarado** on #2 to check his mount and lose his balance momentarily.

The majority felt the actions of #1 cost #2 any chance at a better placing. Steward **Meyers** felt #2 broke slowly and was not interfered with enough to result in a disqualification.

Original Order of Finish 4-6-1-5-2.
Official Order of Finish 4-6-5-2-1.

10/24/20³

9TH RACE INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry Sign was posted to review the stretch run involving #3 **Detangler (Hugo Herrera 5TH)** and #5 **Emerald Magic (Kyle Frey 7TH)**. Replays show #3 bear out into the path of #5 causing Jockey **Frey** to check his mount sharply. In the unanimous opinion of the Stewards #5 was cost any chance at a better placing and #3 was disqualified from 5TH to 7TH for the interference.

Original Order of Finish 1-6-8-4-3-7-5.
Official Order of Finish 1-6-8-4-7-5-3.

10/24/20⁴

PROGRAM SCRATCHES

1ST Race: #3 **Mr. Magico** (Tr. **Isidro Tamayo**) Sick – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$373.11
2ND Race: #1 **Moonlight Mystique** (Tr. **M. Lenzini**) Lamé – Dr. Franklin – Refunds \$221.80
5TH Race: #4 **Foster Boi** (Tr. **Steve Miyadi**) Sick – Dr. Franklin – Refunds \$975.20
#5 **Linfield** (Tr. **Jonathan Wong**) *Rule #1628: Stress Induced Skeletal Fatigue – Sore Back - Body Condition Score 4/9 Mod/Min – Dr. Franklin – Refunds \$975.20
6TH Race: #5 **Miss Daddy** (Tr. **Milton Pineda**) Sick – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$573.80
#6 **Salonika’s Babe** (Tr. **Steve Specht**) Unsound – Dr. Batten – Refunds \$ See Above
#7 **Clochard Street** (Tr. **Marcelino Trujillo**) *Rule #1628: Hot Foot. R/F - Proximal Suspensory Thickening Dr. Franklin – Refunds \$ See Above
9TH Race: #2 **Tomahawk Tuesday** (Tr. **Clifford DeLima**) Sick – Dr. Batten = Refunds \$123.80
*Rule #1628 (Declaration for Physical Disability)

10/24/20⁵

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	566	\$391,694.60
Out of State + ADW	n/a	\$1,352,059.98
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$149,605.74
Total	566	\$1,893,360.32

SUNDAY
10/25/20¹

WRIGHT RULING – REF (10/24/20¹)

Ruling #3

Trainer/Owner **Blaine Wright** who started the horse “**Miss Indefatigable**”, winner of the seventh race at Golden Gate Fields on September 7, 2020, is fined the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)*, pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1887 (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances-**Dantrolene** in excess of permitted level 460 pg/ml) (Class IV)-second offense in the last 365 days).

The above ruling was issued following deliberation over yesterday’s hearing. **Mr. Wright** had a fine for **Methocarbamol** on a horse that raced last September 29, 2019. Unfortunately, that makes this his second offense in the last 365 days.

10/25/20²

COUTON RULING

Ruling #4

Jockey **Julien Couton** who rode **To Hot For Curlin** in the fourth race at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, October 24, 2020 is suspended three racing days November 1, 5 and 6, 2020 for violation of California Horse Racing Rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-more than six times in race-second offense in last sixty (60) days).

The above ruling was issued after **Couton** appeared and reviewed the race in question. He admitted to cropping 9 or 10 times around the turn and into the stretch. **Mr. Couton** is just coming off a three-day suspension for using the crop overhanded. The penalty meted out today was a unanimous decision.

10/25/20³

HERRERA RULING REF (10/24/20³)

Ruling #5

Jockey **Hugo Herrera** who rode **Detangler** in the ninth race at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, October 24, 2020 is suspended three (3) racing days November 1, 5, and 6, 2020 for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from fifth to seventh; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules-Careless Riding).

The above ruling was issued after **Herrera** appeared, reviewed the replays, and agreed he failed to straighten his mount before interfering with a rival.

10/25/20⁴

AMADOR RULING REF (10/24/20²)

Ruling #6

Jockey **Silvio Amador** who rode **The Ref** in the first race at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, October 24, 2020 is suspended three (3) racing days November 1, 5 and 6, 2020 for failure to maintain a straight course leaving the starting gate, causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from third to sixth; a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules-Careless Riding).

The above ruling was issued after **Amador** appeared and reviewed the race in question. There was no doubt that **Amador’s** mount broke awkwardly outward. The reaction time to correct his mount was our concern with **Mr. Amador**. In a unanimous opinion we felt **Mr. Amador** was very late to react and thus warranted the penalty.

10/25/20⁵

5TH RACE INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

The inquiry sign was posted to review the reason behind #5 **Prospicience** failing to leave the starting gate. After review and talking to the Starter (**Todd Stephens**) it was determined #5 just refused to break and stayed in the gate. #5 was declared a Starter for wagering purposes. Following the Inquiry, a review of “**Prospicience**” history showed this was not his first refusal and will be placed on the Stewards List as barred.

10/25/20⁶

JOCKEY REPLACED

Dr. David Seftel called and said Apprentice Jockey **Juan Espinoza** was showing symptoms of Appendicitis and he sent him to the hospital for testing. **Espinoza** replaced as follows:
 4TH Race: **Santos Rivera**, 10TH Race: **Pedro Flores**.

10/25/20⁷

PROGRAM SCRATCHES

8TH Race: #2 **Irish Cutter** (Tr. **M. Meier**) Injured in post parade–Dr. Batten–Refunds \$1,813.99

10/25/20⁸

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

Off Track	497	\$327,572.60
Out of State + ADW	n/a	\$1,198,597.03
SCOTWinc	n/a	\$133,715.79
Total	497	\$1,659,885.42

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refunds
22-Oct	1	1	Crash Corrigan	S. Miyadi	Injured	Dr. Batten	\$465.59
22-Oct	4	1	Golden Goddess	A. Tekos	Unsound	Dr. Franklin	\$368.42
22-Oct	4	5	Kiss Of Congrats	R. Amescua	Injured	Dr. Putt	\$ See Above
22-Oct	5	5	Fort York	D.W. Baker	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$106.70
23-Oct	9	1	Awesome Silver	R.B. Hess	Sick	Dr. Putt	\$477.48
24-Oct	1	3	Mr. Magico	I. Tamayo	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$373.11
24-Oct	2	1	Moonlight Mystique	M. Lenzini	Lame	Dr. Franklin	\$221.80
24-Oct	5	4	Foster Boi	S. Miyadi	Sick	Dr. Franklin	\$975.20
24-Oct	5	5	Linfield	J. Wong	Sore Back	Dr. Franklin	\$ See Above
24-Oct	6	5	Miss Daddy	M. Pineda	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$573.80
24-Oct	6	6	Salonika's Babe	S. Specht	Unsound	Dr. Batten	\$ See Above
24-Oct	6	7	Clochard Street	M. Trujillo	Hot Foot	Dr. Franklin	\$ See Above
24-Oct	9	2	Tomahawk Tuesday	C. DeLima	Sick	Dr. Batten	\$123.80
25-Oct	8	2	Irish Cutter	M. Meier	Injured	Dr. Batten	\$1,813.99

SUMMARY

	Thurs 10/22	Fri 10/23	Sat 10/24	Sun 10/25	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	1	0	0	1	1
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	1	2	3	3
Claims	2	1	2	0	5	5
Disqualifications	0	0	2	0	2	2
Inquiries	0	0	2	1	3	3
Refunds	4	3	7	2	16	16
Rulings	2	0	0	4	6	6
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0

Respectfully submitted,

 Will Meyers, Steward

 Dennis Nevin, Steward

 Grant Baker, Steward