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Report for the period: Wednesday, May 1, through Sunday, May 5, 2019.

WEDNESDAY

5-1-19¹

DARK DAY ACTIVITIES

Steward **Dennis Nevin** was present for **Saturday's** entries and **Thursday's** changes. Both tasks were completed without noteworthy incident.

THURSDAY

5-2-19¹

EARLY DECLARATIONS:

3RD Race - #7 **Knight's Dream** (Tr. **Mike Lenzini**)

Vet – Injured – Dr. Sporer - Refunds \$ 261.10

5-2-19²

FILM REVIEW

Apprentice Jockey **Jorge Velez** appeared to review last **Sunday's** eighth race where he allowed his mount to drift throughout the stretch. He was admonished to keep'em straight by the majority while Steward **Nevin** felt a penalty should be imposed.

5-2-19³

PENCE HEARING

Suspended Owner/Groom **Crystal Pence** appeared this morning seeking reinstatement of her license privileges.

Pence was suspended **July 28, 2018** for drug use, possession of contraband and disorderly conduct at a formal hearing at **Cal Expo**. Pursuant to California State Fair Ruling #14 dated **July 28, 2018 Pence** was suspended for **sixty days** and placed on probation for the term of her licenses. **Pence** was directed to complete a substance abuse rehabilitation program acceptable to the Stewards and enter into a contract with the Winners Foundation. **Crystal** completed all of the above and today submitted a urine sample which needs to be certified as clean. Once the test results are reported negative **Pence** will be eligible for reinstatement.

5-2-19⁴

OROZCO RULING

RULING NO # 81

Jockey **Irving Orozco** who participated in more than one designated race on **Sunday, April 28, 2019**, pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (f) (Designated Races) shall complete his suspension on an equivalent day, **Sunday, May 19, 2019**, in accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (h).

The above Ruling was issued after **Orozco** participated in two designated races last **Sunday** while under suspension.

5-2-19⁵

QUIET AFTERNOON

The seven race program was contested in a problem free fashion.

5-2-19⁶

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

NCOT	988	\$ 300,636.98
GG	561	\$ 123,646.86
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 1,383,381.71
SCOT	n/a	\$ 159,499.67
TOTAL	1,549	\$ 1,967,165.22

FRIDAY

5-3-19¹

EARLY DECLARATIONS

- 1ST Race #2 **Spicy Feline** - (Tr. **Ed Moger**)
 Vet - Sick - Dr. Sporer - Refunds - \$ 747.58
 #6 **Little Tomato** - (Tr. **John Martin**)
 Vet - Sick - Dr. - Sporer - Refunds - See Above
- 6TH Race #4 **Flashy Hero** - (Tr. **Cliff Delima**)
 Vet - Sick - Dr. Sporer - Refunds - \$ 151.66

5-3-19²

FRANKO HEARING (CASE #19GG0087)

An informal hearing was held with trainer **Daniel Franko** after the **U.C. Davis Laboratory** reported that the test sample from the horse **Ronsky's Hope** showed the presence of the class 3 substance **Gabapentin**.

Ronsky's Hope won the eighth race here at **Golden Gate Fields** on **February 17, 2019**. **Franko** is the owner and trainer of **Ronsky's Hope**. A class 1, 2, or 3 substance requires the disqualification of the horse pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1859.5 (Disqualification Upon Positive Test Findings).

Franko availed himself of the opportunity to have the split sample tested and **Industrial Laboratories** in Colorado confirmed the presence of **Gabapentin** in the urine. **Franko** understood the horse must be disqualified and has already returned an incentive award of **Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)** to the **California Thoroughbred Breeders Association**. The ruling listed below will formalize the disqualification.

RULING NO # 82

Acting on a report from the University of California at Davis Laboratories, the official laboratory for the California Horse Racing Board, that the post-race urine sample #GG32721, taken from the horse Ronsky's Hope, winner of the eighth race at Golden Gate Fields on February 17, 2019, contained the prohibited substance Gabapentin (class 3) it is hereby ordered that Ronsky's Hope be disqualified from all purse monies earned including incentive award and deemed unplaced in accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1859.5 (Disqualification Upon Positive Test Finding).

It is further ordered that all purse monies (\$23,400) earned and the incentive award (\$10,000) issued by the California Thoroughbreds Breeders' Association to Owner/Trainer Daniel Franko and Jockey Wesley Henry be returned to the Paymaster of Purses on or before May 15, 2019 for redistribution pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1760 (Purse Award or Prize to be Withheld).

The revised order of finish is as follows:

- 1 Nizamdcarchy
- 2 Crazy Dane
- 3 Cyclops
- 4 Tiz Manny (DH)
- 4 Melchior (DH)
- 6 Badger
- 7 Papa Do Run

5-3-19³ **JOCKEY OBJECTION – FIRST RACE – NO CHANGE**

Jockey **Luis Ocasio** aboard the fourth place horse, #1 **Global Peace**, lodged a claim of foul against the show horse #5 **Sinawava** ridden by **Frank Alvarado**. **Ocasio** alleged interference at the 1/4 as the two were negotiating the far turn.

Ocasio stated **Alvarado** dropped in causing **Luis** to check his mount. After a thorough review the Stewards dismissed the claim of foul. **Alvarado** and **Sinawava** stayed off the rail and always left plenty of room for **Global Peace**. It was **Global Peace** that was trying to get out around the turn that caused **Ocasio** to check. **Ocasio** will view the tapes of the race with the Stewards in the morning.

5-3-19⁴ **STEWARDS INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – EIGHTH RACE – NO CHANGE**

The Stewards lit the inquiry lamp to determine the cause of an accident inside the 1/8 on the turf course after #5 **Anitanewmercedes**, ridden by **Luis Ocasio**, went through the inside rail and fell dislodging **Ocasio**. After a thorough review the Stewards took no action with respect to the placings.

Tapes showed that **Anitanewmercedes** ducked/shied while **Ocasio** was using a right hand crop and collided with the inside rail. No other horses were involved. Both horse and jockey escaped serious injury. **Ocasio** was bruised and the horse had some abrasions but each walked away. An accident report is attached.

5-3-19⁵ **ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	2,717	\$ 881,666.80
GG	1,445	\$ 341,012.40
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$1,400,352.79
SCOT	n/a	\$ 311,808.91
TOTAL	4,162	\$ 2,934,840.90

SATURDAY

5-4-19¹ **OCASIO RULING**

RULING NO # 83

Jockey **Luis Ocasio** is fined the sum of **One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)*** for lodging a frivolous claim of foul following the first race on **May 3, 2019**; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1758 (Inaccurate Protest).

The above ruling was issued after Ocasio appeared to review the first race from yesterday. He was unable to point where he suffered any interference.

5-4-19² **EARLY DECLARATION**

- 7TH Race - #6 **Preacher’s Bluff** – (Tr. **Cliff Delima**)
Vet - Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refunds - \$ 553.57
- 9TH Race - #5 **Ironic Man** – (Tr. **John Martin**)
Vet - Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refunds - \$ 484.53
- #7 **Booze Cruise** – (Tr. **Victor Trujillo**)
Injured – Sr. Sporer – Refunds – See Above
- 10TH Race - #7 **Older Brother** – (Tr. **Robert Lucas**)
Vet - Sick – Dr. Christin – Refunds - \$ 164.43

5-4-19³**CLAIM VOIDED – SECOND RACE**

Trainer **Jack Steiner** deposited a claim for #4 **Macho Gabacho** but did not take possession of the horse as **Dr. Franklin** placed the on the Vet's list due to lameness in the left front. Trainer **Jonathan Wong** retained possession of **Macho Gabacho**.

5-4-19⁴**STEWARDS INQUIRY – FIFTH RACE - DISQUALIFICATION**

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign to evaluate the actions of the show horse, #3 **Our Maneki Cat** with **Jorge Velez** in the saddle, as that horse bore out in the stretch. After a thorough review the Stewards disqualified **Our Maneki Cat** and placed him fifth.

Tapes showed that **Velez** allowed his mount to bear out twice in the stretch under a left handed crop eventually taking #6 **Gabriel** (5TH, **Cristobal Herrera**) off his path and, in the unanimous opinion of the Stewards costing that horse the opportunity at a better placing. Jockey **Velez** will review the tapes of the race with the Stewards in the morning.

Original Order of Finish 2-1-(3)-4-6-7-5

Official Order of Finish 2-1-4-6-(3)-7-5

5-4-19⁵**ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	9,784	\$ 2,892,988.97
GG	5,521	\$ 1,258,707.20
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 1,647,330.89
SCOT	n/a	\$ 524,592.80
TOTAL	15,305	\$ 6,323,619.86

Sunday5-5-19¹**AMADOR RULING****RULING NO # 84**

Jockey **Silvio Amador** who rode **Zedekiah** in the fourth race at **Golden Gate Fields** on **May 4, 2019** is fined the sum of **two hundred dollars (\$200.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond - second offense in the past 60 days).

The above ruling was issued after **Amador** appeared and admitted he struck his mount four times.

5-5-19²**EARLY DECLARATIONS:**

- 1ST Race # 1 **Susan's Diva** – (Tr. **Debbie Winick**)
Vet - Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refunds - \$ 2,779.52
- 6TH Race # 1 **Ladies Man** – (Tr. **Robert Lucas**)
Vet - Sick – Dr. Christian – Refunds - \$ 993.20
- # 5 **CR Bullitt** – (Tr. **Jonathan Wong**)
Vet - Sick – Dr. Christian – Refunds - \$ See Above
- 8TH Race #11 **Chiefs Lil Pearl** (Tr. **Robert Lucas**)
Stewards – Also Eligible – Refunds - \$ 236.20
- 9TH Race #5 **Euphemistic** (Tr. **Eddie Rich**)
Vet – Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refunds - \$ 1,006.10

5-5-19³**ANDERSON HEARING**

An informal hearing was held for owner/exercise rider **Erin Anderson** who was suspended **thirty days (30)** on **July 28, 2018**, for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules pertaining to substance abuse. Pursuant to **California State Fair** ruling #13 **Anderson** was required to complete a rehabilitation program acceptable to the Stewards and sign a contract with the **Winners Foundation**. **Anderson** provided documentation concerning completion of the above requirements. She now needs to provide a urine sample attesting she is drug free and will then be eligible for reinstatement of her license privileges.

FILM REVIEW

Jockey **Abel Cedillo** appeared to represent Apprentice **Jorge Velez** whose mount was disqualified from third in yesterday's fifth race. **Velez** was riding today in southern California and could not attend. Tapes showed that **Velez** allowed his mount to drift out twice in the stretch eventually causing interference to a rival. The Stewards could not place the blame on the horse so the following ruling was issued. Steward **Nevin** felt a five day suspension was called for because **Velez** was warned about a similar incident earlier in the week.

RULING NO # 85

Apprentice Jockey **Jorge Velez** who rode **Our Maneki Cat** in the fifth race at **Golden Gate Fields** on **May 4, 2019** is suspended **three (3)** racing days (**May 12, 16, and 17, 2019**) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from third to fifth; A violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules - Careless Riding).

5-5-19⁵

IN THE CLEAR

The afternoon's nine race card was completed sans remarkable incidents.

5-5-19⁶

ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

NCOT	1,616	\$ 619,417.07
GG	3,901	\$ 450,652.66
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$ 2,041,881.49
SCOT	n/a	\$ 141,946.56
TOTAL	5,517	\$ 3,526,897.78

Veterinarian's List

There were Eighteen (18) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 12
Injured: 4
Unsound: 1
Shockwave: 1

There were Eighteen (18) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 7
Injured: 6
Unsound: 5

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Fresno	5,269	\$1,804,332.34
Fresno Club One	1,233	\$1,441,402.20
Monterey	4,097	\$1,642,799.26
Pleasanton	18,377	\$7,854,177.90
Sacramento	16,604	\$5,937,529.60
San Jose	26,213	\$6,726,103.00
San Mateo	31,756	\$15,024,881.62
Santa Rosa	8,520	\$2,510,216.32
Stockton	13,069	\$4,418,856.49
Tulare	0	0
Turlock	0	0
Vallejo	9,286	\$3,723,374.96
So. California	n/a	\$27,949,758.95
Out of State	n/a	\$115,564,956.49

	5/2	5/3	5/4	5/5	Total	Meet	
ACCIDENTS	0	1	0	0	1	12	
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	0	0	7	
CLAIMS	2	3	4	1	10	127	
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	1	0	1	9	
INQUIRIES/OBJECTIONS	1	2	1	0	4	19	
REFUNDS	3	4	6	7	20	394	
RULINGS	1	1	1	2	5	85	
CLAIMS VOIDED	0	0	1	1	2	35	

Respectfully submitted,

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