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Hollywood Park

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MINUTES – THIRD WEEK OF HOLLYWOOD PARK SPRING/SUMMER MEETING
For the period: Wednesday, May 6, 2009 through Sunday, May 10, 2009

WEDNESDAY

05/06/09¹

STUTE HEARING CASE #09SA113

Trainer Gary Stute met with the Stewards to adjudicate a complaint involving a violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1843(a)(d) for a Phenylbutazone overage. Mr. Stute stated his practicing veterinarian treated the horse for the race, but there was a possibility the horse had been fed two "bute" pills prior to the injection. Hence the following ruling was issued:

HRTH #009

Trainer **GARY STUTE**, who started the horse "**DIXIE HAWKS**" which finished first in the third race at Santa Anita Park on March 26, 2009, is fined **FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS*** (\$500.00) pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1844 (c) (1) (Authorized Medication –Phenylbutazone, in excess of permitted level) and #1843 (a) (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances).

05/06/09²

GARCIA HEARING CASE #09SA137

Jockey Martin Garcia met with the Stewards in an informal setting to discuss a possible whip violation which occurred in the 4th race at Santa Anita on 04-18-09. The photos attached to the complaint made it hard to define whether or not whip abuse was involved. The hearing was postponed until California Horse Racing Board Veterinarian Jennifer Durenberger could be contacted, and video of the race reviewed.

05/06/09³

LOPEZ HEARING CASE #09HP001

Respondent trainer Jason Lopez and complainant groom Salvador Paez met with the Stewards where an informal hearing was conducted concerning a financial matter. A set amount owed was agreed upon and a financial agreement was signed by both parties involved. Mr. Lopez agreed to make weekly payments and to have the balance paid by July 22, 2009.

05/06/09⁴

RIOS RULING

HRTH #010

Jockey **JESUS RIOS**, who rode “**LUNCH MONEY**” in the third race at Hollywood Park on May 03, 2009, is suspended for **SEVEN RACING DAYS** (May 13, 14, 15,16,17,20 and 21, 2009) for altering course without sufficient clearance, causing interference which resulted in the disqualification of his mount from first to unplaced position. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1699 (Riding Rules-Careless Riding).

Term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule # 1766 (Designated Races).

This ruling was issued after jockey Jesus Rios joined the Stewards to review the tapes of the third race on Sunday’s card wherein his mount was disqualified. Agent Tony Matos sat in as interpreter for Mr. Rios. Jockey Rios admitted his error in his sudden shift in the stretch drive while trying to find a clear path, causing a horse to his outside to clip heels and fall. He left the office acknowledging he needs to react more safely in the future.

05/06/09⁵

FILM REVIEWS REFERENCE 5-03-09

Jockey Corey Nakatani upon invitation joined the Stewards to review an inquiry which had been posted in the fourth race on Sunday’s program. He accepted the explanation for not disqualifying the horse in question, but was concerned with jockey Flores’ riding techniques. He was reassured the Stewards would decide if any careless riding occurred.

Jockey David Flores also reviewed the same race with the Stewards. Mr. Flores was adamant he did not cross the fine line which occurs when riding close. The Stewards warned him he was pushing the envelope and if he chooses to ride in this manner in the future it may not result in his favor.

05/06/09⁶

SMOOTH SAILING

The afternoon card was conducted without a ripple.

05/06/09⁷

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st race #7 Lunar Humor (Tr.J.Carava) jockey M.Baze replaced J.Rosario (sick)
Refund of \$ 129.85
- 2nd race #2 Mac Nine (Tr.J.Alcala) Veterinarian-sick, Dr.Bailey
#3 El Ranchero (Tr. K.Craigmyle) jockey J.Scott replaced E.Gomez (sick)
Refund of \$374.80
- 3rd race #5 Pindaric (Tr.E.Truman) J.Talamo replaced J.Rosario (sick)
- 4th race #6 Brother Man (Tr.M.Jones) jockey R.Bejarano replaced J.Rosario (sick)
- 5th race #7 Lupita'sluckyanangel (Tr.J.Hollendorfer) jockey C.Nakatani replaced J.Rosario (sick) Refund of \$ 143.00
- 6th race #2 Niccolo Dream (Tr.J.A.Barnes) jockey M.Garcia replaced J.Rosario (sick)
Refund of \$ 596.00
- 7th race #3 Nitro Active (Tr.M.Machowsky) jockey R.Bejarano replaced J.Rosario (sick)
#7 Suit Yourself (Tr. O.Garcia) Veterinarian-sick, Dr.Beck
Refund of \$ 1,562.60
- 8th race #8 Motorman (Tr.E.Navarro) Veterinarian-unsound, Dr.Bailey
Refund of \$ 4,065.10

05/06/09⁸

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	2,763	784,388.20
Satellites	5,563	2,365,525.50
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	737,387.80
Out –of-State	n/a	3,569,115.70
Total	8,326	\$5,422,071.35

THURSDAY

05/07/09¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockey Joel Rosario and his agent Vic Stauffer met in the Stewards office to review the eighth race on Saturday's card. Mr. Rosario was warned when in tight quarters his reactions should always pertain to safety first even if he has to compromise his chance of winning the race. He agreed to practice this theory in the future.

05/07/09²

BELL II HEARING CASE # 08DM001

A formal hearing was conducted concerning California Horse Racing Board rules # 1843(a)(d)/1844(e)(7)/1877(a). Present at the hearing were Respondent Thomas Ray Bell II, Equine Medical Director Dr. Rick Arthur, Charles Jenkins DVM, Sam Bradley DVM, Assistant Steward Luis Jauregui, and Senior Investigator Frank Fink. Court reporter Barbara Weinstein recorded the proceedings. Witnesses were heard and cross examined, exhibits were introduced and placed in the record.

The allegation is that the Ray Bell II trainee contained a level of procaine in its system which exceeded the authorized level. Mr. Bell's defense involved his immaculate medication record and his effort to assure he had done his best to regulate his stable. He felt the horse in question had mistakenly been given a shot of procaine penicillin by the practicing veterinarian, instead of one of three different horses in his stable that were being medicated with this drug at the time. Decision to follow.

05/07/09³

CHATLOS FINANCIAL HEARINGS CASE #09HP004, #09HP005 and #09HP006

The three financial complaints were addressed simultaneously involving complainants Ramon Panduro, Melvin Garcia and Tanya Garcia against defendant trainer Don Chatlos. These three individuals were employed as grooms by Mr. Chatlos during his employment by owner Jim Ford. Mr.Chatlos stated that Mr.Ford had agreed to pay the employees directly. Mr.Ford was unavailable for comment; therefore this hearing was postponed until Mr.Ford can be contacted.

05/07/09⁴

GOOD RACING

The afternoon program was completed without notable incident.

05/07/09⁵

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

- 1st race-No Changes
Refund of \$228.70
- 2nd race-No Changes
Refund of \$102.00
- 3rd race-#4 Slewkaysa (Tr. T.West) Steward-not on grounds
Refund of \$2,100.15
- 4th race-No Changes
Refund of \$11.00
- 5th race-#3 Unusual Soul (Tr. J.De Lima) Veterinarian-unsound, Dr.Beck
Refund of \$333.00
- 6th race- No Changes
Refund of \$119.00
- 7th race-No Changes
Refund of \$234.00
- 8th race-#2 Fair Kisses (Tr. R.DeLeon) Veterinarian-unsound post parade, Dr.Bailey
#5 Making Memories (Tr. W.Solis) Veterinarian-unsound, Dr.Beck
#7 Haley's Halo (Tr. J.Fanning) Veterinarian-injured, Dr.Bailey
#9 A Soft Breeze (Tr. A.Kitchingman) Veterinarian-sick, Dr.Bailey
Refund of \$42,745.00

05/07/09⁶

DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	3,731	681,523.30
Satellites	4,755	1,852,085.90
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	595,317.80
Out -of-State	n/a	2,926,005.80
Total	8,486	6,054,932.80

FRIDAY05/08/09¹**ROUTINE MATTERS**

All matters before the first race were routine.

05/08/09²**FESTIVE EVENING**

Friday racing under lights was performed uneventfully. The Friday night concert featuring “Steel Pulse” contributed to a 14,000 on-track attendance.

05/08/09³**DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st race-#6 White Lace Jimmy (Tr.M.Glatt) claimed by Tr.A.Kitchingman
Refund of \$112.00

2nd race-No Changes
Refund of \$135.00

3rd race-#2 Leavethegateopen (Tr.J.Sadler) claimed by Tr.B.Koriner
#5 Majestic Run-Veterinarian-injured, Dr.Bailey
Refund of \$1,046.00

4th race-#4 Solo Performance (Tr.J.Sadler) claimed by Tr.B.McLean
Refund of \$119.00

5th race-No Changes
Refund of \$174.00

6th race-#9 Cajun Corredor (Tr.D.O’Neill) Veterinarian-sick, Dr.Bailey
Refund of \$1,983.50

7th race-No Changes
Refund of \$329.00

8th race--#3 Hank The Yank (Tr.J.Armstrong) Steward-jockey C.Hill(sick) no rider
available. Refund of \$11,027.40.

05/08/09⁴ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	14,257	988,814.40
Satellites	6,112	1,846,341.00
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	1,160,123.00
Out –of-State	n/a	2,856,159.15
Total	20,369	\$6,851,437.55

SATURDAY05/09/09¹**MOULTON RULING****HRTH#011**

Owner **DON MOULTON**, having failed to abide by the terms of a financial agreement with trainer Doug O’Neill, is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Don Moulton are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), Mr. Moulton is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction. This ruling was issued after a telephone conversation with Mr.Moulton verifying his inability to pay and his knowledge of this suspension.

05/09/09²

MURPHY RULING

HRT# #012

Owner **JOSHUA MURPHY** is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility) for failure to pay trainer Uri Rafaeli for training services (\$735.00).

This ruling was posted after Mr. Murphy was given a two week period to satisfy his debt. Not being able to do so, he was notified of this ruling.

05/09/09³

TROUBLE FREE RACE CARD

Saturday's races were run under sunny skies and without any concerns.

05/09/09⁴

DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st race-#1 Blame the Wine (Tr.A.C.Avila) Veterinarian-flipped paddock, Dr.Bailey
#2 Asian Eyes (Tr.P.Eurton) Veterinarian-unsound, Dr.Bailey
Refund of \$26,464.42

2nd race- No Changes
Refund of \$90.00

3rd race-#2 Cayambe (Tr.B.D.A.Cecil) Veterinarian-unsound post parade, Dr.Bailey
Refund of \$75,942.73

4th race-#2 Always Pretty (Tr.D.Meredith) Veterinarian-injured, Dr. Durenberger
Refund of \$3,716.90

5th race-#1 Camisado (FR) (Tr.V.Garcia) claimed by Tr.E.Moger
Refund of \$190.88

6th race-#7 Gold Stock (Tr.P.Capestro) Veterinarian-unsound, Dr.Durenberger
#13 Hasty Trend (Tr.V.Garcia) Veterinarian-unsound, Dr.Durenberger
#14 Wild Huntsman (Tr.E.Johnson) Steward-jockey P.Arambula (sick)-
no rider available
Refund of \$18,696.42

7th race- No Changes
Refund of \$15.00

8th race- No Changes
Refund of \$4.00

9th race-#4 Indy Ride (Tr.B.Spawr) Veterinarian-sick, Dr.Durenberger
Refund of \$278.40

05/09/09⁵ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	5,828	1,523,815.10
Satellites	8,446	3,340,294.30
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	1,236,926.10
Out –of-State	n/a	4,870,801.78
Total	14,274	\$10,971,837.28

SUNDAY

05/10/09¹

FILM REVIEW

Jockeys Danny Sorensen and Martin Garcia met with the Stewards as directed to review the fifth race on Saturday.

The first incident approaching the club house turn was initiated by Mr. Garcia who was slow to correct his mount's drift inward. When he did make the effort to adjust, his mount was hard to control. Mr. Garcia was warned to react sooner in the future and he promised to do so.

The second incident occurred entering the far turn. Mr. Sorensen's mount shifted out, and the horses to his outside simultaneously stepped in after their lead change to take the turn, creating contact. While Mr. Sorensen felt he was blameless, the Stewards believed that he contributed to the incident that involved several horses.

05/10/09²

GEORGIADIS RULING CASE #09HP015

HRTH #013

Owner **FOTIS GEORGIADIS**, having failed to appear before the Board of Stewards to answer a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1876 (Financial Responsibility-Equine Medical Center \$14,374.92), is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all licenses and license privileges of Fotis Georgiadis are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine), Mr.Georgiadis is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction. This ruling was posted after Mr.Georgiadis failed to appear for a financial complaint.

05/10/09³

BELL II RULING REFERENCE 02-07-09₂

HRTH #014

Trainer **THOMAS BELL II**, who started the horse **ZANDA BLUE** in the first race at Hollywood Park on July 2, 2008, is suspended for **FIFTEEN DAYS** and is fined **TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500.00)*** pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rules #1843 (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances) and #1844 (Authorized Medication-procaine in excess of authorized level, Class 3).

As a condition of this ruling, the fifteen suspension days are stayed provided that Mr. Bell be placed on probation for a period of one year from the date of this ruling and does not incur any violations for Class 1, 2, or 3 drug substances.

Subsequent to the deliberation of facts presented and the testimony given in this case and taking into consideration the aggravating and mitigating factors listed in California Horse Racing Board rule #1843.3 this ruling was posted.

05/10/09⁴ **GARCIA WARNING CASE #09SA137 REFERENCE 05-06-09²**
 After a majority vote (Steward Chaney dissent) the Stewards felt that there was insufficient evidence proving whip abuse requiring a penalty stronger than a warning.

05/10/09⁵ **CAL-BRED REPORT**
 Five Cal-Bred races were carded this reporting period.

05/10/09⁶ **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

- 1st race-No Changes
- 2nd race-No Changes
Refund of \$6.00
- 3rd race-No Changes
Refund of \$11.00
- 4th race-#4 Summer Soprano (Tr.G.Stute) Veterinarian-sick, Dr.Durenberger
Refund of \$352.30
- 5th race-No Changes
- 6th race-No Changes
Refund of \$303.30
- 7th race-No Changes
Refund of \$469.00
- 8th race-#1 Pretty Unusual (Tr.B.Abrams) Steward-stake
 #4 Lady Lumberjack (Tr.C.Canani) Steward-stake
 #7 Music Magic (Tr.P.Gallagher) Steward-stake
 Refund of \$3,843.30
- 9th race-#7 Warren's Josephine (Tr.J.Van Berg) Steward-re enter
 #12 Lil Red Hot (Tr.A.Soto) Veterinarian-sick, Dr.Durenberger

05/10/09⁷ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	6,163	1,375,016.50
Satellites	7,079	2,742,095.90
TVG/Xpress/Youbet	n/a	1,195,033.80
Out –of-State	n/a	3,750,866.70
Total	13,242	\$9,063,012.90

Additions/Removals from Vet List

Week of: 05-04-09 – 05-10-09
 Track: Hollywood
 Horses on Vet List: 21
 Horses off Vet List: 12
 Shockwave Therapy: 25
 Deceased: 04
 Medication: 09

SUMMARY

	May 06	May 07	May 08	May09	May 10	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cal-Bred Races	1	2	1	0	1	5	22
Claims	0	0	3	1	0	4	9
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Refunds	6	8	8	9	6	37	87
Rulings	2	0	0	2	2	6	14

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Sawyer, Steward

Tom Ward, Steward

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