

## OSAF BOARD MEETING IN BUENOS AIRES



On the eve of Gran Premio Carlos Pellegrini (G1), on Friday 15th during morning hours, OSAF Board convened at the headquarters of the Argentine Jockey Club.

Presided by Mr. Carlo Rossi Soffia, the attendants were:

- Mr Miguel Crotto and Pablo Piffaretti (Argentine Jockey Club)
- Mr Jorge Luis Mujica Cogorno and Octavio Pedraza (Jockey Club del Perú),
- Dr Ignacio Pavlovsky Jr (Hipódromo Argentino de Palermo),
- Mr Héctor Luis Silva and José Malbrán (Hipódromo La Plata),
- Mr Arthur Mendes, Marcelo Motta and Sergio Coutinho Nogueira (Jockey Club de Sao Paulo),
- Mr Carlos Heller Solari (Club Hípico de Santiago),
- Mr Juan Cúneo Solari (Hipódromo Chile),
- Mr Ramón Rionda (Hípica de Panamá and HRU SA) and Gabriel Gurméndez (HRU SA),
- OSAF CEO Mr Oscar Bertoletti and OSAF Executive Secretary Miss Silvina Korembli

During the meeting, the following issues were addressed, amongst others:

### **1. Longines Gran Premio Latinoamericano 2018 in Uruguay**

**a. Starters appointed to nominated horses:** The number of horses to be nominated by the member racecourses and countries, to run the 2018 edition of Longines Gran Premio Latinoamericano, was defined: Argentina: 3, Brazil: 2, Chile: 3, Peru: 3 and Uruguay: 2.

This way, there is at least 1 starter vacant, to be used by an extra-classified runner.

### **b. OSAF Activities scheduled for the week prior to Longines Gran Premio Latinoamericano 2018.**

During the days leading up to the running of Longines Gran Premio Latinoamericano, a series of activities organized by OSAF will be taking place in Montevideo:

- **OSAF Handcappers Committee meeting:** March 7th till 9th
- **OSAF Stud Books Committee:** Friday 9th of March, morning hours
- **OSAF Board meeting:** Friday 9th of March, 14:00 hs
- **OSAF Annual Members' Conference:** Friday 9th of March, 16:00 hs
- Longines Gran Premio Latinoamericano **Press Conference** : Saturday 10th of March, 17:00 hs

### **2. Summary of OSAF participation in the International Technical Committees.**

▪ As every year, the final quarter is very intense as regards the activity of the International Committees, which meet in London, Paris and Hong Kong, where OSAF is active by means of the attendance of its technician specialists and delegates. A summary of the activity in those meetings was made, as well as the conclusions most relevant to the activity within our region

- International Stud Book (**ISBC**), Newmarket, late September
- Technical Advisory Council (**TAC**), Paris, late September
- International Race Planning Advisory Committee (**IRPAC**), Paris, late September
- Longines World's Best Racehorse Ranking Committee (**LWBRRC**), Paris, late September
- **IFHA** Executive Council, Paris, early October,
- **International Committee for the Welfare, Safety and Security of Jockeys**, which meets every other year in October, this time in Dubai
- **FEI-OIE-IFHA Workshop**, which meets regularly in rotating venues, Montevideo, mid November
- **International Movement of Horses Committee**, Hong Kong, early December
- **Harmonization of Raceday Rules Committee**, Hong Kong, early December
- **Equine Welfare Committee**, Hong Kong, early December

- ***Forbidden Substances Committee***, Hong Kong, early December
- ***Genetic Doping Committee***, Hong Kong, early December

### **3. San Isidro Racecourse Laboratory as IFHA reference lab:**

All members of OSAF Board ratified their unanimous support for San Isidro Racecourse application to become the first IFHA reference laboratory in South America. Special emphasis was made on the important progress achieved by the laboratory, in terms of acquisition of new analytical equipment, investment in building improvement and training of human resources according to the required standards.

**4. New OSAF website:** Aiming for OSAF website to be an adequate tool for institutional communications in a practical and technologically updated manner, OSAF is working on the redesign and modernization of its site. As from February 2018, OSAF will launch its new website and will be present in social networks (Instagram, Facebook, Twitter).