### FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Apr 9 - Thu, Apr 15

# PART ONE

The following action has been taken by the United States Trotting Association. This information is in an abbreviated form.

\*\*\* NO RECORDS FOUND \*\*\*

# PART TWO - MAJOR PENALTIES

The following actions published herein and imposed pursuant to the rules and regulations of the racing commissions of the various states and provinces are given full faith and credit and strictly enforced by the United States Trotting Association consistent with the provisions of USTA Rule 22, Sections 7 and 8 relative to RECIPROCITY OF PENALTIES. The fact that there is no separate action taken by the USTA in the form of a "ruling of reciprocity" shall not be construed as a failure to recognize and/or reciprocate with these published penalties. Please note that the following action is in an abbreviated form and that the USTA is not responsible for the accuracy or timeliness of reported penalties. Further information may be available by contacting the racing commission where the ruling was issued to determine the accuracy of the information.

DEPIETRO, ANN L Fhld on 11/28/2020 **CREAM RIDGE, NJ** 

**YOB 1966** 

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 4/12/2021 THRU 4/26/2021

#### **OTHER**

Ann Depietro was the programmed trainer of the horse "Shaving Mug" when he raced in the eleventh race at Freehold Raceway on November 28, 2020. Following this race, "Shaving Mug" was required to submit a urine sample for analysis. A report from ALS Group, USA laboratories identified the presence of the drug Dextrorphan. As a result, Ms. Depietro is issued a full suspension of her New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five-hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on April 12, 2021 and run through April 26, 2021 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Ms. Depietro is denied access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7, the horse "Shaving Mug" is disqualified from sharing in all purse monies earned on November 28, 2020. MMV points incurred: 2 points Violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1 (a) (b) Violation of

DERUE, BRETT D

**HUDSON FALLS, NY** 

**YOB 1985** 

**M** on 12/26/2020 FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 3/4/2021 THRU 3/18/2021

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

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### **POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

Brett DeRue was the programmed trainer of QUICK FUN N that finished 2nd in the 5th race at the Meadowlands on Saturday, December 26, 2020. The post-race blood sample revealed the presence of Flunixin at a level of 7+0.6ng/ML which is above the allowable limits. This is in direct violation of NJRC 13:71-23.8(g). As a result, Mr. DeRue is hereby issued a full suspension of his NJRC license for a period of 15 days, March 4, 2021 through and including March 18, 2021, and is fined the sum of \$500.00. During the period of suspension, Mr. DeRue is denied all access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the NJRC for any and all purposes. Consistent with NJAC 13:71-23.7, QUICK FUN N is

hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 5th race on Saturday, December 26, 2020.

KRAMER, KELLYE

COLORA, MD

**YOB 1968** 

**PcD** on 3/15/2021

FINED: \$100

### IMPROPER CONDUCT OR LANGUAGE TO AN OFFICIAL

PA Title Code 7-205.71 On 3/15/21 Ms. Kramaer did not conduct herself in a proper manner while in the detention area. She is fined \$100.00 which must be paid by 4/20/21. This decision can be appealed to the SHRC within 10 days of notice of this decision. The address for an appeal is: 2301 N. Cameron Street, Room 301 Harrisburg, PA 17110 ATTN: Tony Salerno Phone: 717-787-5196. The appeal must be in Harrisburg by 4/20/21.

MAIORANO, DONALD C

EDISON, NJ

**YOB 1959** 

**Fhld** on 11/13/2020

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 4/12/2021 THRU 4/26/2021

# **OTHER**

Donald Maiorano was the programmed trainer of the horse "Latoka" when he raced in the ninth race at Freehold Raceway on November 13, 2020. Following this race, "Latoka" was required to submit a urine sample for analysis. A report from ALS Group, USA laboratories identified the presence of the drug Dextrorphan. As a result, Mr. Maiorano is issued a full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five-hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on April 12, 2021 and run through April 26, 2021 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Maiorano is denied access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7, the horse "Latoka" is disqualified from sharing in all purse monies earned on November 13, 2020. MMV points incurred: 2 points Violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1 (a) (b) Violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-2

NOBLE, CHRISTI R

XENIA, OH

**YOB 1986** 

MVR on 3/12/2021

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 4/19/2021 THRU 5/3/2021

HORSE DISQUALIFIED

#### POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Miami Valley Raceway O.S.R.C. 3769-18.01(B)(4)(d). Trainer Christi Noble is hereby fined the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and issued a full suspension of fifteen days from April 19, 2021 through May 3,2021 for violation of Ohio State Racing Commission Rule 3769-18-.01(B)(4)(d). Blood Sample #893199 tested by the Analytical Toxicology Laboratory at the Ohio Department of Agriculture on March 15, 2021 showed a concentration of TCO2 at 40.0 +/- 1.3 mmol/L, which exceeds the O.S.R.C. regulatory threshold of 37.0 mmol/L. In addition, Big Bad Jane is disqualified from first and placed last. If the purse money is not returned by 5/4/21 the owners shall stand suspended until all purse money has been returned to the permit holder. During the period of this suspension Mrs. Noble is denied access to all grounds under the jurisdiction of the OSRC. During the

suspension Mrs. Noble may not transfer any horse under her care over to another trainer without permission from the judges.

**RUSSO, MICHAEL J** 

EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ

**YOB 1968** 

**Fhld** on 11/14/2020

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 4/12/2021 THRU 4/26/2021

### **OTHER**

Michael Russo was the programmed trainer of the horse "Howmac Napoleon" when he raced in the fourth race at Freehold Raceway on November 14, 2020. Following this race, "Howmac Napoleon" was required to submit a urine sample for analysis. A report from ALS Group, USA laboratories identified the presence of the drug Dextrorphan. As a result, Mr. Russo is issued a full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of fifteen (15) days and fined the sum of five-hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on April 12, 2021 and run through April 26, 2021 inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Russo is denied access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission for any and all purposes. Consistent with N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7, the horse "Howmac Napoleon" is disqualified from sharing in all purse monies earned on November 14, 2020. MMV points incurred: 2 points Violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1 (a) (b) Violation

WAHL, HERMAN A

CHITTENANGO, NY

**YOB 1946** 

**PcD** on 2/8/2021

RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF 4/11/2021

### FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

PA Title7-203.11(e) Mr. Wahl has failed to complete his licensing requirements in Pennsylvania for 2021. He is fine \$50.00 and suspended indefinitely starting on 3/21/21 and will continue to be suspended until he completes his licensing requirements and pays his fine.

Status as of 4/11/2021 - Subsequent Ruling - PA Title 7- 203.11(e) Mr. Wahl has completed his licensing requirements in Pennsylvania and paid his fine. As of 4/11/21 he is restored to good standing.

# PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

**BATES, BRANDON L** 

MONROE, IN

**YOB 1975** 

**HoP** on 4/7/2021

FINED: \$200

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

71 IAC 7-3-3(13)(b) While driving SHADY`S STARLIGHT in the 13th race on 4/07/2021, driver Brandon Bates did whip using other than wrist action.

MELE, PETER J

YONKERS, NY

**YOB 1963** 

**MR** on 4/8/2021

FINED: \$100

**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP** 

While driving #4 (Sir Machalot) in Race 13 you did use the whip in an excessive manner in the stretch. Any further violations of this nature will result in increased penalties.

RYDER, CHRISTOPHER J

**ALLENTOWN, NJ** 

**YOB 1955** 

**M** on 3/13/2021

FINED: \$500

DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 3/23/2021 THRU 3/27/2021

### **EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

Driver Chris Ryder is hereby issued a driving suspension for a period of five (5) days and is also fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on March 23, 2021 and run through March 27, 2021 inclusive. While driving #8 "Barrage Hanover" in the 3rd race on Saturday, March 13, 2021, Mr. Ryder did violate the New Jersey Racing Commission rule regarding the restrictive use of the whip. Violation of N.J.A.C. Rule 13:71-20.15(c) 3, 4 BY ORDER OF THE NEW JERSEY RACING COMMISSION BOARD OF JUDGES

SEEKMAN, JARED T

**GASTON, IN** 

**YOB 1993** 

**MVR** on 4/11/2021

FINED: \$300

DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 4/19/2021 THRU 4/21/2021

### **INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

Miami Valley Gaming Driver Jared Seekman is hereby fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) and issued a three day driving suspension for a violation of the Ohio State Racing Commission Rule 3769-17-17.(b)(c). While driving No. 6 Rockin Speed in the ninth race on April 11, 2021 at Miami Valley Gaming, Mr. Seekman did use his whip in an inappropriate manner by using more than wrist and elbow action during the final quarter. If the fine is not paid to the judges by 4/21/2021 you may be suspended and or license revoked by the commission.

SHETLER, DANIEL LEE

URBANA, OH

**YOB 1979** 

**MVR** on 4/9/2021

FINED: \$300

## **INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

Miami Valley Raceway Driver Daniel Shetler is hereby fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for a violation of the Ohio State Racing Commission Rule 3769-17-17.(b)(c). While driving Shes Cruising Home in the fourteenth race on April 9, 2021 at Miami Valley Raceway, Mr. Shetler did move his arm in an exaggerated manner and used more than his wrist and elbow during the final quarter. This is his first violation in Ohio in the last 365 days. If the fine is not paid to the judges by 4/17/2021 you may be suspended and or license revoked by the O.S.R.C

**VERRUSO, ANTHONY JOHN** 

WHITESTONE, NY

**YOB 1963** 

**MR** on 4/8/2021

FINED: \$100

# **EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

While driving #5 (Exarch) in Race 3 you did use the whip in an excessive manner in the stretch. Any further violations of this nature will result in increased penalties.

VINCENT, JUSTIN OWEN
RcR on 4/11/2021
HARRINGTON, DE
FINED: \$100

**YOB 1987** 

# **EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

Driver Justin Vincent is fined \$100.00 for excessive use of the whip while driving MOSH PIT in the 6th race on April 11th, 2021 at Rosecroft Raceway. All fines are due within 10 days of ruling. COMAR: 09.10.03.03 A(14)

WHITNEY, TODD C

**AUBURN, ME** 

**YOB 1962** 

**M** on 3/26/2021

FINED: \$500

DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 3/30/2021 THRU 4/3/2021

### **EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

Driver Todd Whitney is hereby issued a driving suspension for a period of five (5) days and is also fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on Tuesday, March 30, 2021 and run through Saturday, April 3, 2021 inclusive. While driving #9 ROCKINWITHEBEST in the 5th race on Friday, March 26, 2021, Mr. Whitney did violate the New Jersey Racing Commission rule regarding the restrictive use of the whip. Violation of N.J.A.C. Rule 13:71-20.15(c) 3, 4 BY ORDER OF THE NEW JERSEY RACING COMMISSION BOARD OF JUDGES

# PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

**ALLARD, SIMON YOB 1982** PITTSTON, PA

**M** on 4/2/2021 FINED: \$100

**INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION** 

BONGIORNO, JOSEPH R MILLSTONE, NJ **YOB 1993** 

FINED: \$100 **M** on 3/20/2021

FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

**YOB 1959** CALABRESE, JOHN L CHESTERFIELD, NJ

FINED: \$200 **Fhld** on 3/19/2021

**JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS** 

**CLEGG, BETTY JO** NORTHFIELD, OH **YOB 1973** 

**Nfld** on 4/7/2021 FINED: \$50

FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE OR PROPER DECLARATION INFORMATION

GINGRAS, YANNICK **ALLENTOWN, NJ YOB 1979** 

**M** on 3/5/2021 FINED: \$100

**INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION** 

GINSBURG, VINCENT A JACKSON, NJ **YOB 1988** 

**Fhld** on 3/20/2021 **FINED: \$50** 

# **FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED**

HARRIS, ANDREW S M on 3/26/2021 FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATI	ALLENTOWN, NJ FINED: \$300 ON	YOB 1984
LAKE, DAVID R Nfld on 4/3/2021 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGI	NORTHFIELD, OH FINED: \$100 RAMMED	YOB 1970
LEMS, CHRISTOPHER E Nfld on 4/7/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	FINED: \$100	YOB 1986
MCCARTHY, TODD P M on 3/26/2021 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGI	SWEDESBORO, NJ FINED: \$100 RAMMED	YOB 1993
MILLER, LEWAYNE L HoP on 4/8/2021 FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN	ANDERSON, IN FINED: \$100 A PROPER PACE	YOB 1986
PLANO, LUKE CalX on 4/4/2021 KICKING A HORSE	SACRAMENTO, CA FINED: \$100	YOB 1980
SIEGELMAN, AUSTIN T FhId on 3/19/2021 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGIFIED ON 3/20/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	FINED: \$50	YOB 1992
SPAGNOLA, KYLE M on 4/2/2021 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	STILLWATER, NY FINED: \$100	YOB 1991
WILDER, W MIKE MVR on 4/12/2021 CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING IN	WASHINGTON, PA FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 8	YOB 1972
WILFONG, KYLE J	PENDLETON, IN	YOB 1991
HoP on 4/10/2021	FINED: \$100	100 1331

**IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE** 

WOLF, BRAD D HoP on 4/3/2021 LATE DRIVER CHANGE AUBURN, IN FINED: \$100

**YOB 1996** 

**YOB 1975** 

ZINGALE, SOFIA C M on 3/19/2021 LATE DRIVER CHANGE FREEHOLD, NJ FINED: \$100