FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Jul 16 - Thu, Jul 22

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.

BAKO, JARED W

GUELPH, ON

YOB 1993

M on 6/12/2021

FINED: \$1,000 HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Jared Bako was the programmed trainer of the horse IDEAL SON when he raced in the 4th race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on Saturday, June 12, 2021. Following this race, IDEAL SON was required to submit to a post-race blood sample for analysis. A report from The Industrial Laboratories, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, identified the presence of Tranexamic Acid. The presence of Tranexamic Acid in a post-race blood sample is a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b). Mr. Bako waived his rights to a hearing. The payment is due by Friday, July 16, 2021.

CLARK, THOMAS MICHAEL

Nor on 4/24/2021

PECK, MI

YOB 1962

FINED: \$1,000 FULL - 93 DAYS, 6/1/2021 THRU 9/1/2021 HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

MGCB Ruling 7332 - As a result of a prehearing conference held June 16, 2021, the parties agreed to settle this matter in the following manner: 1. Three (3) month suspension of trainer's license from June 1, 2021 to September 1, 2021. 2. Remaining three (3) month suspension of trainer's license to be held in abeyance through December 31, 2021. 3. \$1,000.00 of the fine will be paid within ten (10) days. 4. Remaining \$1,500.00 of the fine will be held in abeyance through December 31, 2021. 5. If Mr. Clark receives another ruling in this jurisdiction or another jurisdiction related to positive test results through December 31, 2021, the abeyance will be triggered, and Mr. Clark will owe the remaining \$1,500.00 fine and will be required to serve a three (3) month suspension of Mr. Clark's trainer's license in addition to any fines, suspension, or revocation as a result of the triggering positive test result.

MCGUIRE, PHILLIP RAY

PcD on 6/2/2021

NEVADA, OH

FINED: \$50

INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 7/17/2021

FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

PA Title 7-203.11(e) Mr. McGuire has failed to complete his licensing requirements in Pennsylvania for 2021. He is fined \$50.00 and is suspended indefinitely starting on 7/17/21 and will remain suspended until he pays his fine and completes his licensing requirements.

OKUSKO, JESSICA L

M on 5/22/2021

VERNON, NY

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 7/11/2021 THRU 7/25/2021

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Ms.Jessica Okusko was the programmed trainer of the horse NATAMERI when he raced in the 2nd race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on Saturday, May 22, 2021. Phenylbutazone was detected in the post-race blood sample by LC-MS/MS at 0.81micrograms/mL. This is a violation of N.J.A.C 13:71-23.8(f)(g)1. Ms. Jessica Okusko has waived her rights to a hearing before the Meadowlands Board of Judges and is hereby issued a full suspension of her NJRC license for a period of 15 days and a fine of \$500.00. Said suspension shall begin on Sunday, July 11, 2021 and run through Sunday, July 25, 2021, inclusive. The fine of is payable by Sunday, July 25, 2021.

SHETLER, DANIEL LEE

URBANA, OH

YOB 1979

YOB 1942

YOB 1976

ScD on 7/4/2021

FINED: \$1,000...*STAYED*

FULL - 180 DAYS, 7/10/2021 THRU

1/5/2022...**STAYED**

POSSESSION OF HYPODERMIC NEEDLES, SYRINGES AND/OR INJECTABLE AND/OR OTHER DRUGS

Scioto Downs Trainer Daniel Lee Shetler is hereby fined the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and placed on full suspension for one hundred eighty (180) days for violation of OSRC Rule 3769-18-07 (A) (Possessions Prohibited). As result of a search conducted by Scioto Downs security and OSRC personnel on 7/4/2021 at the ship-in barn area, you were found to be in possession of hypodermic needles and other instruments that may be used for injection. During your suspension any transfer of horses must be approved by the judges. If the fine is not returned to the judges by 7/20/2021 your license may be revoked. **Status as of 7/22/2021 - Stay**

SIMMONS, THOMAS R

SPRINGFIELD, IL

YOB 1952

Haw on 5/23/2021

LOW OR EXCESS LEVEL OF AUTHORIZED MEDICATION

Warning (first offense)- slight overage (0.53 ug/ml)

SOWERS, PHILIP BO

MONTICELLO, NY

YOB 1971

Scar on 11/7/2020

FINED: \$500

TRAINING - 15 DAYS, 8/1/2021 THRU 8/15/2021

CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO THE BEST INTEREST OF HORSE RACING

CHAPTER 3 SECTION 5 #3 A-C AND CHAPTER 17 SECTION 5 #3(CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO THE BEST INTEREST OF RACING) Actions which created a situation where the Pari-Mutuel betting pools were compromised and misrepresented.

Status as of 7/9/2021 - Subsequent Ruling - As trainer of record on November 7, 2020 of the THE ONLYEST ONE and MISS MEEKO, both of which raced at Scarborough Downs, Mr. Bo Sowers was negligent in not preventing the horses from racing in the wrong races. Mr. Sowers had a duty as sole insurer for the declaration to race his horses, in addition to the strict liability obligation he undertook as trainer, he was negligent in not preventing THE ONLYEST ONE from racing in the 7th race given the relative size differences of the animals, his presence during the post parades, and the performance of MISS MEEKO in the 6th race. As a result of the wrong horses racing in the wrong races, the wagering public suffered losses relying on the entries tendered by Mr. Sowers; Mr. Sowers was not financially advantaged nor is there any evidence of cheating on his behalf. Based on the violation of MSHRC Rule Chapter 7, Section 46, according to the provisions of MSHRC Rule Chapter 1, Section 1, Mr. Sowers is ordered a \$500 fine and 15 day suspension.

SUTTON, JOSHUA

ScD on 7/1/2021

CLARKSVILLE, OH

FINED: \$500...*STAYED*DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 7/12/2021 THRU

7/16/2021...STAYED

CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO THE BEST INTEREST OF HORSE RACING

Scioto Downs Driver Joshua Sutton is hereby fined the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) and suspended for five days from 7/12/2021 through 7/16/2021 for violation of OSRC Rule 3769-17-29 (A)(7)(Disorderly Conduct). After the fourth race on 7/1/2021 you returned to the paddock and conducted yourself in an unprofessional manner and instigated an altercation with other licensees using offensive and profane language. If your fine is not paid to the judges by 7/20/2021 you may face further suspension and or have your license revoked by the OSRC.

Status as of 7/22/2021 - Stay

TRITTON, SHANE PETER

M on 5/22/2021

PINE BUSH, NY

FINED: \$1,000

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Mr. Shane Tritton was the programmed trainer of the horse NANDOLO N when he raced in the 9th race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on Saturday, May 22, 2021. Following this race, NANDOLO N was required to submit to a post-race blood sample for analysis. A report from The Industrial Laboratories, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, identified the presence of Tranexamic Acid. The presence of Tranexamic Acid in a post-race blood sample is a

YOB 1982

YOB 1983

violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b).MR. TRITTON WAIVED HIS RIGHTS TO A HEARING. The payment of the fine is due by Friday, July 23, 2021.

PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

BAILEY, LEON B SHELBY, NC **YOB 1986**

VD on 7/16/2021 FINED: \$200

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

Mr. Bailey did use his whip in an excessive manner in the stretch drive of race # 10 at Vernon Downs on 7/16/21 while driving # 3 BADIX HANOVER . He has been fined \$ 200.00 for this violation. Any further infractions in this chapter will result in a higher fined and or suspension.

BATES, BRANDON L MONROE, IN **HoP** on 7/16/2021

YOB 1975 FINED: \$300

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

71 IAC 7-3-13(b) While driving GOTHAM HANOVER in the 3rd race on 7/16/2021, Driver Brandon Bated did whip using exaggerated body movement and other than wrist action. This is his second violation in the last ninety days.

CHINDANO, JOSEPH J JR. TgDn on 6/27/2021 **BLOOMINGBURG, NY**

YOB 1999

YOB 1981

YOB 1981

FINED: \$250

DRIVING - 5 DAYS. 7/29/2021 THRU 8/2/2021

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

As driver of #5 in race nine at Tioga Downs on Sunday, June 27, 2021 you were in violation of NYS rule 4117.8(c)(1), by using your whip in an excessive manner.

CRISLER, RANDY D ANDERSON, IN **Lex** on 7/13/2021

FINED: \$100

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

810 KAR 5:070 Sec. 9 (3)(b)---Hereby fined \$100 for whipping in a manner other than wrist and elbow action while driving "Foolish Prophet" in the 6th. race. First Offense.

CURTIN, PATRICK M WINCHENDON, MA PRc on 7/19/2021 FINED: \$200

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

USTA 18.08 (I). On 07/19/2021 at PRC, while driving No.1 PERSONNEL SPACE in Race 1, driver Patrick Curtin was observed excessively whipping his horse. As a result of the violation Mr. Curtin is hereby fined \$200.00. (2nd offense). Subsequent violations may result in additional penalties. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

DE LONG, JOHN J ANDERSON, IN **HoP** on 7/16/2021 FINED: \$300

YOB 1989

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

71 IAC 7-3-13(b) While driving FERNADO in the 3rd race on 7/16/2021, driver John Delong did whip using other than wrist action. This is his second violation in the last ninety days.

DICK, ARTIE C DELEON SPRINGS, FL YOB 1996

Haw on 7/9/2021 FINED: \$200

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

FOSTER, RUSSELL H CORDOVA, MD YOB 1989

PHL on 7/16/2021 FINED: \$200

OTHER

PA Code Title 7-205.409(c) Mr. Foster raised his arm above shoulder height, when using his whip, while driving #4, BEACH ART, in the 10th race on July 16, 2021 at Harrah`s Philadelphia. Mr. Foster is fined \$200(fines are due within ten days of ruling). Appeals are due within ten days of ruling and must be submitted in writing (accompanied by a \$750 bond) to: The PA State Horse Racing Commission, 2301 N. Cameron St, Rm 304, Harriburg, PA 17110 ATTN: Anthony Salerno

KLEINHANS, PETER FLEMINGTON, NJ YOB 1965

M on 7/9/2021 FINED: \$500

DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 7/13/2021 THRU 7/17/2021

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

LA FRENIERE, WALTER E JR MARGATE, FL YOB 1959

PRc on 7/8/2021 FINED: \$200

FAILURE TO KEEP A LINE IN EACH HAND

USTA 18.08 (a). On 07/08/2021 at PRC while driving No.1 MOMENTSTHATMATTER in Race 4, driver Walter Lafreniere failed to keep a line in each hand in the stretch. As a result of the violation Mr. Lafreniere is hereby fined \$200.00 for the violation. Subsequent violations may result in additional penalties. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

Status as of 7/19/2021 - Subsequent Ruling

LYNCH, JASON T DELMAR, DE YOB 1989

OD on 7/18/2021 FINED: \$100

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

Driver Jason Lynch is fined \$100.00 for excessive use of the whip while driving INTELLIGENT AM in the 6th race on July 18th, 2021 at Ocean Downs. All fines are due within 10 days of ruling. COMAR: 09.10.03.03 A(14)

RANGER, BRUCE W LEWISTON, ME YOB 1959

PRc on 7/16/2021 FINED: \$400

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

USTA 18.08 (I) On 07/16/2021 at PRC while driving in Race 9, driver Bruce Ranger did leave numerous welts on the No.2 horse WALLTOCOUSINS. As a result of the violation

Mr. Ranger is hereby fined \$400.00. Subsequent violations may result in additional penalties. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

ROSS, JORDAN M

COVINGTON, TN

YOB 1997

SbyvI on 6/23/2021

FINED: \$100

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

On June 23, 2021 at Shelbyville Fair while driving ANNIES HIPSTER in race 9, driver Jordan Ross was observed whipping his horse after the finish (1st offense). As a result of the violation of USTA Rule 18.08(1), Mr. Ross is hereby fined \$100, which has been paid. Subsequent violations may result in additional penalties.

STAFFORD, ARTHUR C JR

FELTON, DE

YOB 1966

PHL on 7/16/2021

FINED: \$200

OTHER

PA Code Title 7-205.409(c) Mr. Stafford, Jr. raised his arm above shoulder height, when using his whip, while driving #2, SADIQ HANOVER, in the 10th race on July 16, 2021 at Harrah's Philadelphia. Mr. Stafford, Jr. is fined \$200 and the fine has been paid.

STILTNER, JAMES EDWARD II

VAN LEAR, KY

YOB 1979

Lex on 7/13/2021

FINED: \$100

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

810 KAR 5:070 Sec. 9 (3)(b)---Hereby fined \$100 for whipping in a manner other than wrist and elbow action while driving "Ovanight Celebrity" in the 7th. race. First Offense.

SUMNER, ROBERT W

FEEDING HILLS, MA

YOB 1961

PRc on 7/12/2021

FINED: \$100

FAILURE TO KEEP A LINE IN EACH HAND

On 7/12/2021 at PRC while driving # 5 MEETMEATTHEFINISH in the 2nd Race, driver Robert Sumner was observed whipping one handed at the top of the stretch .As a result of the violation Mr Sumner is fined \$ 100.00 Subsequent violations may result in additional penalties. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition

WHITE, STEPHEN K

CARMICHAELS, PA

YOB 1971

Lex on 7/6/2021

FINED: \$100

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

810 KAR 5:070 Sec. 9 (3)(b)---Hereby fined \$100 for whipping in a manner other than wrist and elbow action while driving "Foolish Prophet" in the 6th. race. First Offense.

PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

BAILEY, RACHEL P

SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY

YOB 1981

PRc on 7/19/2021

FINED: \$100

LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION BARN

BATES, BRANDON L HoP on 7/11/2021 FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN HoP on 7/16/2021 INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOT	A PROPER PACE FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 7	YOB 1975
BECKWITH, BRETT M Stga on 7/19/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	WILTON, NY FINED: \$100 HORSE PLACED 5 VIOLATION	YOB 2003
CUSHING, RONALD L CUMB on 7/3/2021 IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF AI	ALBION, ME FINED: \$100 NOTHER HORSE	YOB 1964
DAVIS, ALLAN W PHL on 7/14/2021 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGI	SMYRNA, DE FINED: \$200 RAMMED	YOB 1976
DE LONG, JOHN J HoP on 7/15/2021 FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN	ANDERSON, IN FINED: \$100 A PROPER PACE	YOB 1989
EBERSOLE, LUKE C. Nfld on 7/14/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	CHESTERVILLE, OH FINED: \$100 VIOLATION	YOB 1990
FARINA, ANTHONY R Haw on 7/11/2021 FAILURE TO MAINTAIN REASONA	MIDDLETOWN, NY FINED: \$100 ABLE CONTROL OF THE HORSE	YOB 1991
GEROW, JOHN A Stga on 7/14/2021 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	HUDSON FALLS, NY FINED: \$100	YOB 1984
GRAY, ALICIA E PRc on 7/19/2021 LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION	SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY FINED: \$100 BARN	YOB 1978
GRUMMEL, CURT L Haw on 7/11/2021 FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN	CARROLLTON, IL FINED: \$50 I THE STIRRUPS	YOB 1972

HALL, TONY A Nfld on 7/11/2021 LATE TO THE PADDOCK	WASHINGTON, PA FINED: \$100	YOB 1978	
HANNERS, LUKE OD on 7/19/2021 FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET II	HARRINGTON, DE FINED: \$100 N THE STIRRUPS	YOB 2000	
HAWK, ALEXANDER D ScD on 7/13/2021 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROG	CIRCLEVILLE, OH FINED: \$200 GRAMMED	YOB 1992	
JENSON, BRANDON Humb on 7/17/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	OTTOSEN, IA FINED: \$100 VIOLATION	YOB 1987	
KARCHER, PATRICK A Nfld on 6/30/2021 OTHER	UPPER SANDUSKY, OH	YOB 1955	
KEPPLER, SCOTT V MR on 7/14/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	RIDGEFIELD, CT FINED: \$100 VIOLATION	YOB 1966	
MACOMBER, RICHARD L JR HoP on 7/16/2021	FISHERS, IN FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 5	YOB 1970	
IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE			
MASSEY, KODY RAY Nor on 6/26/2021 OTHER	MONTROSE, MI FINED: \$250	YOB 1983	
MC ILMURRAY, ARTHUR L Nor on 6/26/2021 OTHER	RIVES JUNCTION, MI FINED: \$100	YOB 1958	
MERRIMAN, AARON E Nfld on 7/14/2021	NORTHFIELD, OH FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 2	YOB 1978	
JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS Mea on 7/15/2021 FINED: \$600 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED			
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Nfld on 7/12/2021 FINED: \$200

HORSE PLACED 4

TAKE UP ABRUPTLY/SIT DOWN IN FRONT OF HORSES CAUSING CONFUSION AMONG TRAILING HORSES

MILLER, BRETT A **YOB 1973** BLACKLICK, OH

FINED: \$300 **Nfld** on 7/12/2021

FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

MILLER, DAVID S CREAM RIDGE, NJ **YOB 1964**

M on 7/9/2021 FINED: \$200

FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

MOEN, LINDSAY L LAPEER, MI **YOB 1983**

Haw on 7/11/2021 **FINED: \$50**

FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

NAPOLITANO, GEORGE JR **YOB 1966 BOCA RATON, FL**

FINED: \$200 **PcD** on 7/18/2021

FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS

YOB 1992 ACAMPO, CA

PACHECO, JESSIE L Haw on 7/10/2021 **FINED: \$50**

FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

YOB 1951 PLANO, RICHARD C ANDERSON, IN

HoP on 7/16/2021 FINED: \$200

HORSE PLACED 9

IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE

RHOADES, BILL NORTHFIELD, OH **YOB 1987**

Nfld on 7/11/2021 FINED: \$100

LATE DRIVER CHANGE

RIDEOUT, DOUGLAS J **YOB 1967** WINCHESTER, IN

HoP on 7/16/2021 FINED: \$100

INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOTHER HORSE TO MAKE A BREAK

RYDER, CHRISTOPHER J **ALLENTOWN, NJ YOB 1955**

PcD on 7/20/2021 FINED: \$200

LATE DRIVER CHANGE

YOB 1968 SEARS, BRIAN J SECAUCUS, NJ

M on 7/10/2021 FINED: \$100

INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION

M on 7/10/2021 FINED: \$100 **INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION**

SMITH, STEPHEN M FREEHOLD, NJ **YOB 1961**

FINED: \$300 **M** on 7/9/2021

FAILURE TO KEEP HOLE CLOSED

FINED: \$200 **PHL** on 7/14/2021

INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION

SMITH, TREVOR GENE WASHINGTON CH, OH **YOB 1996**

ScD on 7/14/2021 FINED: \$200

HORSE PLACED 7

INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION

STURTZ, CARY L **HUMBOLDT, IA YOB 1967**

Humb on 7/17/2021 **FINED: \$50**

INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION

SVANSTEDT, AKE
PHL on 7/16/2021 WRIGHTSTOWN, NJ **YOB 1958**

FINED: \$400

FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

TAKTER, NANCY C ALLENTOWN, NJ **YOB 1981**

FINED: \$100 **M** on 7/10/2021

DELAYING THE START

TETRICK, TIM A **WOOLWICH TWP, NJ YOB 1981**

M on 7/10/2021 FINED: \$100

INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION

WATIKER, LIONEL RAY ZANESVILLE, OH **YOB 1964**

ScD on 7/13/2021 FINED: \$100

LATE DRIVER CHANGE

WIDGER, SAMUEL D **YOB 1963** BEECHER, IL

HoP on 7/11/2021 FINED: \$100

FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE

WRENN, RONNIE H JR. CHAGRIN FALLS, OH **YOB 1986**

Nfld on 7/12/2021 FINED: \$200

HORSE PLACED 3

INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION