

FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Jan 14 - Thu, Jan 20

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.

BONTRAGER, JOHN JR.

MIDDLEFIELD, OH

YOB 1997

Nfld on 12/21/2021

INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 1/16/2022

UNPAID OBLIGATION

Mr. Bontrager is hereby suspended until he pays the fine (\$300.00) per ruling Nfld-2021-234 at Northfield Park. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36 17-99

GIBBS, HEIDI J

ALBION, ME

YOB 1968

PRC on 10/24/2021

FINED: \$1,500

TRAINING - 15 DAYS, 4/7/2022 THRU 4/21/2022

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

205 CMR 3.29. On 11/07/2021, Industrial Labs reported a post race positive test for the horse BRADY TO GRONK for the drug Aminocaproic Acid, a Class 4 Drug, confirmed in the blood. The horse raced on 10/24/2021 in Race 1 and finished 1st. Trainer of record Heidi Gibbs exercised her right to a split sample which was conducted by UIC Analytical Testing Laboratory of Chicago, Il. On 1/7/2022 UIC Testing Laboratory reported a confirmation of Aminocaproic Acid in the blood. Trainer Heid Gibbs waived her right to a hearing. This was Trainer Gibbs 2nd offense within a 365 day period. As a result the horse is disqualified and all purse monies (\$5,000.00) are ordered returned. In addition Trainer Heidi Gibbs is fined \$1,500.00 and is suspended from training for 15 days of which 11 days are to be served at Plainridge Park beginning April 7,2022 through and including April 21,2022. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

KATZ, EVAN A

SEAFORD, NY

YOB 1964

PHL on 1/23/2021

INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 1/25/2022

FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)

PA Code Title 7-205.33(g) 205.502 Mr. Katz is issued an indefinite full suspension (starting January 25, 2022) for failure to pay the \$200 fine from ruling #21094CD. 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., Room 304, Harrisburg, PA 17110 ATTN: Anthony Salerno

MALONE, BRIAN S
PcD on 10/5/2021

OCEAN VIEW, DE **YOB 1981**
FINED: \$10,000
FULL - 365 DAYS, 1/25/2022 THRU 1/24/2023
HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 7, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION
APPEALED - 1/20/2022

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

PA Code Title 7-203.22(a) 203.33(b) 401.2(a)(1) 401.2(3)(i) 401.3(a) 401.3(b) 401.45 401.51(a) Mr. Malone was the trainer of the horse RED POWER for the 10th race on 10/5/2021 at Mohegan Sun Pocono. Blood samples taken (post race) from RED POWER were tested and found to contain Fentanyl. As the trainer, Mr. Malone is responsible for the positive test. RED POWER is disqualified and purse money earned (\$8,500) must be returned within 10 days of ruling. Mr. Malone is fined \$10,000 (fines are due within 10 days of ruling) and issued a 365 day full suspension (January 25, 2022 up to and including January 24, 2023). During the time of the suspension, all horses owned and/or trained by Mr. Malone shall also be suspended unless transferred to a trainer in good standing. Any owner/trainer transfers from Mr. Malone must be approved by the PA State Horse Racing Commission.

Status as of 1/20/2022 - Appeal - Ruling #22004C The request by Brian S. Malone for an appeal of the Harrah's Philadelphia Board of Judges Ruling# 21107CD is hereby GRANTED. The supersedeas is also GRANTED>

MCCARTHY, ANDREW JOHN
Lex on 8/23/2021

SWEDESBORO, NJ **YOB 1986**
FINED: \$2,500
FULL - 90 DAYS, 12/12/2021 THRU 3/11/2022

CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO THE BEST INTEREST OF HORSE RACING

810 KAR 3:020 Sec. 15 (q) -- On August 23, 2021 at The Red Mile in Lexington, KY, Driver Andrew McCarthy was administered the breathalyzer test and failed. He was retested and failed the second test. The Judges removed Mr. McCarthy from his drives for the day. Upon failing his second breathalyzer test, Mr. McCarthy acted in an unprofessional manner that was detrimental to the integrity of horse racing in Kentucky. During a pre hearing meeting with his attorney present, Andrew was very forthcoming and sincere with his personal struggles on and off the racetrack. He has voluntarily attended weekly counselling sessions since September 9, 2021, and has been compliant with his progress as evidenced by his attendance reported to the KHRC. Mr. McCarthy is hereby suspended for 90 consecutive days, beginning on 12/12/2021 through and including 03/11/2022 inclusive. He is also fined the sum of \$2500.00.

MILLS, AMANDA MARIE
Nfld on 12/7/2021

BEDFORD, OH **YOB 1991**
FINED: \$1,000
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION
APPEALED - 1/16/2022

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Blood sample #898005 collected at Northfield Park on 12/7/21 from the horse Wheatley Wildcat was found to contain Naproxen. Additionally blood sample #898005 was found to contain phenylbutazone at a concentration of 2.85+-0.17 micrograms per milliliter of plasma. This exceeds the Regulatory Threshold of 2.0 micrograms adopted by the OSRC. All purse money must be returned for redistribution (\$2,400.00). O.S.R.C.-3769-18-01(B)(10)&(13) 18-01(B)(1)(a) 18-02 18-99 If the fine is not paid to the judges by 1/26/22 you shall be suspended and your license may be revoked by the commission.

Status as of 1/16/2022 - Appeal

SODANO, JUSTIN M

MIDDLETOWN, NY

YOB 1996

PHL on 12/20/2021

INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 1/25/2022

FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)

PA Code Title 7-205.33(g) 205.502 Mr. Sodano is issued an indefinite full suspension (starting January 25, 2022) for failure to pay the \$200 fine from ruling #21098CD. 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., Room 304, Harrisburg, PA 17110 ATTN: Anthony Salerno

PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

BONGIORNO, JOSEPH R

MILLSTONE, NJ

YOB 1993

YR on 1/19/2022

FINED: \$300

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

While driving # 2 CINNABAR DRAGON at Yonkers in race # 9 on 1/19/22 Mr. Bongiorno did use his whip outside the confines of the sulky after the 3/4 mark. He has been fined \$ 300.00 for this infraction . Any further violations in this chapter will result in a higher fine and suspension.

BUCCERI, DENNY S

OAKFIELD, NY

YOB 1983

Nfld on 1/12/2022

FINED: \$300

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

While driving #1 Alexis May Hanover in race 5 on 1/12/22 he did whip the horse excessively. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-17(L) 17-99 If the fine is not paid to the judges by 1/23/22 you shall be suspended and your license may be revoked by the commission.

CARTER, JOSEPH C

MARION, OH

YOB 1992

MVR on 1/9/2022

FINED: \$300

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

Driver Joseph C. Carter is hereby fined the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for violation of Ohio State Racing Commission Rule 3769-17-17(b)(c). While driving No. 3

HORSE FLY in the second race on January 9, 2022 at Miami Valley, Mr. Carter did use his arm in an exaggerated manner and used more than his wrist and elbow during the final half of the mile. If the fine is not paid to the judges by 1/22/2022 you may be suspended and or license revoked by the OSRC.

HANNERS, LUKE **HARRINGTON, DE** **YOB 2000**
YR on 1/18/2022
FINED: \$250
DRIVING - 1 DAY, 1/25/2022 THRU 1/25/2022

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

While driving # 8 INITIAL CONCEPT at Yonkers in race # 7 on 1/18/22 Mr. Hanners did use his whip outside the confines of the sulky at the top of the stretch. This is his 2nd offense within a year , therefore , Mr. Hanners has been fined the amount of \$ 250.00 and suspended for (1) race day at Yonkers. Any further violations in this area will result in a higher fine and suspension. This is a driving suspension only.

LACHANCE, PATRICK D **ALLENTOWN, NJ** **YOB 1975**
YR on 1/17/2022
FINED: \$250
DRIVING - 1 DAY, 1/18/2022 THRU 1/18/2022

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

While driving # 4 MIKE`S Z TAM at Yonkers on 1/17/22 in race # 8 Mr. Lachance did use his whip outside the confines of the sulky in the stretch drive. He has been fined \$ 250.00 and suspended for (1) race day. Any further violations in this chapter will result in a higher fine and suspension.

WINGARD, LAMAR D **ANDERSON, IN** **YOB 1984**
Haw on 1/9/2022
FINED: \$200
EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

ABBATIELLO, ERIC L **EAST WINDSOR, NJ** **YOB 1968**
Fhld on 1/6/2022
FINED: \$50
OTHER
Fhld on 1/8/2022
DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 1/14/2022 THRU 1/16/2022
IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE

BEATTIE, JASON R **OREGONIA, OH** **YOB 1972**
MVR on 1/13/2022
FINED: \$100
FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

BONGIORNO, JOSEPH R **MILLSTONE, NJ** **YOB 1993**
Fhld on 1/8/2022
FINED: \$50
INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION

BREWER, BOBBIE JO MVR on 1/13/2022 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	XENIA, OH FINED: \$50	YOB 1979
CHINDANO, JOSEPH J JR. PPk on 1/4/2022 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	BLOOMINGBURG, NY FINED: \$100	YOB 1999
DUBE, DANIEL YR on 1/18/2022 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	MILLSTONE, NJ FINED: \$100	YOB 1969
DUNNING, BRYSON T Fhld on 12/31/2021 CROSS IN FRONT OF A FIELD OR HORSES IN A RECKLESS MANNER Fhld on 12/31/2021 OTHER Fhld on 12/31/2021 DELAYING THE START Fhld on 12/31/2021 DELAYING THE START	CARNEYS POINT, NJ FINED: \$150 FINED: \$50 FINED: \$50 FINED: \$50	YOB 2003
GINSBURG, VINCENT A Fhld on 1/8/2022 OTHER	JACKSON, NJ FINED: \$50	YOB 1988
GRISMORE, GREG G Nfld on 12/30/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	GROVE CITY, OH FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 4	YOB 1970
HAWK, ALEXANDER D MVR on 1/11/2022 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED	CIRCLEVILLE, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 1992
HORSEY, CEBA M DD on 1/17/2022 NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE	LAUREL, DE FINED: \$300	YOB 1976
MALETTE, RONALD MVR on 1/12/2022 FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION	ARCANUM, OH FINED: \$300	YOB 1945
NORRIS, CHARLIE R II	BENTLEYVILLE, PA	YOB 1982

Mea on 1/20/2022	FINED: \$250	
LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION BARN		
NOVELLO, JOHN M	LINDEN, NJ	YOB 1966
Fhld on 1/8/2022	FINED: \$50	
OTHER		
PALONE, DAVID M	WASHINGTON, PA	YOB 1962
Mea on 1/14/2022	FINED: \$200	
	HORSE PLACED 6	
IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE		
PORTER, JAMES TRAE	SMYRNA, DE	YOB 2001
Fhld on 1/6/2022	FINED: \$50	
OTHER		
ROBERTS, MEGAN R	CENTREVILLE, MD	YOB 1983
DD on 1/18/2022	FINED: \$100	
LATE DRIVER CHANGE		
ROBINSON, JASON D	JACKSON, MI	YOB 1974
Nfld on 1/8/2022	FINED: \$100	
LATE DRIVER CHANGE		
SCHWARTZ, BRET M	WASHINGTON C H, OH	YOB 1972
UpSan on 9/16/2021	FINED: \$300	
FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION		
SILVESTRI, RALPH R III	PEMBERTON, NJ	YOB 1989
Fhld on 12/17/2021	FINED: \$250	
FAILURE TO OBEY THE INSTRUCTIONS OF A RACING OFFICIAL		
SMITH, STEPHEN M	FREEHOLD, NJ	YOB 1961
YR on 1/19/2022	DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 1/30/2022 THRU 2/3/2022	
HELP ANOTHER HORSE IMPROVE ITS POSITION		
STILLWELL, JACOB T	FREEHOLD, NJ	YOB 1999
Fhld on 12/31/2021	FINED: \$50	
OTHER		
Fhld on 12/31/2021	FINED: \$50	
DELAYING THE START		
WHITTEMORE, DENNIS J	NORWAY, ME	YOB 1955
PPk on 1/9/2022	FINED: \$100	
LATE DRIVER CHANGE		

WISKOW, DAVID J
Fhld on 1/6/2022
LATE DRIVER CHANGE

LAKE HOPATCONG, NJ
FINED: \$50

YOB 1958

YODER, WILBUR L
Mea on 1/6/2022
INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION

WASHINGTON, PA
FINED: \$200
HORSE PLACED 5

YOB 1964