

# FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Jun 10 - Thu, Jun 16

## 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.

**DRENNAN, NIK R**  
M on 11/13/2021

**ALLENTOWN, NJ**  
FINED: \$500  
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE  
REDISTRIBUTION

**YOB 1982**

### POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Nik Drennan was the programmed trainer of the horse YACHT SEELSTER when he raced in the 4th race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on November 13, 2021. Following the race, YACHT SEELSTER, was required to submit to a post-race blood sample for analysis. A report from the Industrial Laboratories, identified the presence of Altrenogest. At Mr. Drennan's request a split sample was analyzed at an approved independent laboratory and did confirm the presence of Altrenogest. As a result, Mr. Drennan is hereby fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. The payment of the fine associated with this ruling must be received by the New Jersey Racing Commission on or before July 7, 2022. Consistent with N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7, the horse YACHT SEELSTER is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 4th race on November 13, 2021. MMV-1/2 Point N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1(a)(b) N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6(a)(b)(c)(d) N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7(a)(b)(c)(d) BY ORDER OF THE NEW JERSEY RACING COMMISSION BOARD OF JUDGES

**GERMAIN, BERNARD P JR**  
PRC on 6/9/2022

**OXFORD, MA**  
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 6/9/2022

**YOB 1944**

### FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)

USTA Rule 22.00 S22.01. The Massachusetts license No.26726 of Groom Bernard Germain Jr. is hereby suspended indefinitely for failure to pay previous fines, Ruling No.0053-22 and Ruling 0054-22. Upon restitution Mr. Germain must meet with the Judges prior to reinstatement.

**GOLDIN, ALEXANDRA**  
M on 5/28/2022

**NEW EGYPT, NJ**  
FINED: \$100

**YOB 1991**

### FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

Trainer Alexandra Goldin is hereby fined one hundred (\$100.00) dollars. Ms. Goldin did employ an individual in the capacity of Stable Employee in the paddock at the

Meadowlands Racetrack on May 28, 2022, while that individual was not licensed by the NJRC. Ms. Goldin`s employment of a caretaker who is not licensed by the New Jersey Racing Commission while on the grounds of a facility licensed by and under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing is in direct violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-7.26(d), which states: It shall be the responsibility of the trainer to insure that only individuals licensed by the New Jersey Racing Commission are employed in any capacity of caretaker, groom or other attendant with respect to the care-custody and training of such horse. The payment of the fine associated with this ruling must be received by the New Jersey Racing Commission on or before June 30, 2022.

**LAKE, ANGUS D** **NORTHFIELD, OH** **YOB 1969**  
**Nfld** on 5/7/2022 **WARNING ISSUED**

**POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

Blood sample #889341 collected at Northfield Park on 5/7/22 from the horse Racingblue was found to contain Omeprazole Sulfide at a concentration of 52+-7 nanograms per milliliter of plasma. This exceeds the Regulatory Threshold of 10 nanograms per milliliter adopted by the OSRC. O.S.R.C.-3769-18-01(B)(10)&(13) 18-02 18-99

**NORMAN, RICHARD J F** **ALLENTOWN, NJ** **YOB 1960**  
**M** on 5/28/2022 **FINED: \$300**

**IMPROPER CONDUCT OR LANGUAGE TO AN OFFICIAL**

Mr. Noman failed to conduct himself in a professional manner towards the Vets in the paddock at MDLS The fie associated with this ruling must be pad. by July 8, 2022.

**PELLEGRINO, PETER P** **MONTAGUE, NJ** **YOB 1953**  
**PcD** on 5/9/2022 **FINED: \$500**

**FULL - 15 DAYS, 5/30/2022 THRU 6/13/2022**  
**HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE**  
**REDISTRIBUTION**

**POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

PA Title 7-203.22 401.3(a)(b) Sample #381182 collected from the horse Preacher Man after race #4 on 5/9/22 was found to contain cobalt at a level which is a positive test in Pennsylvania. Preacher Man finished 1st and was disqualified. There was a loss of the purse(\$3500.00) which has been returned and a \$500.00 fine which has been paid. Mr. Pellegrino is suspended 15 days from 5/30/22 through 6/13/22. Any transfer of horses during this suspension must be approved by the judges at Pocono Downs. Preacher Man must pass a commission approved examination before becoming eligible to race.

**ROSENBERG, NEAL H** **NEW YORK, NY** **YOB 1946**  
**PcD** on 5/4/2022 **FINED: \$50**

**INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 6/14/2022**

**FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE**

PA Code 7-203.11 Mr. Rosenberg has failed to complete his licensing requirements for 2022 in Pennsylvania. He is suspended indefinitely starting on 6/14/22 and is fined \$50.00.

**SAUNDERS, BRUCE N**  
M on 4/1/2022

**HAMILTON, NJ** **YOB 1944**  
FINED: \$500  
DRIVING - 15 DAYS, 6/30/2022 THRU 7/14/2022  
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE  
REDISTRIBUTION

**POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

As a result of the evidence and testimony presented at an Administrative hearing conducted before the Board of Judges at the Meadowlands Racetrack on June 2, 2022, the Board of Judges has determined that: NJRC licensee Bruce Saunders was the programmed trainer of the horse RABLE when he raced in the 11th race at the Meadowlands Racetrack on April 1, 2022. The post-race blood sample report from the Industrial Laboratories identified the presence of the prohibited substance Naproxen. As a result, Mr. Saunders is hereby issued a full suspension of his NJRC license for a period of 15 days, June 20, 2022 through July 14, 2022, inclusive and is also fined the sum of \$500.00 dollars. During the period of suspension, Mr. Saunders is denied access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the NJRC for any and all purposes. Consistent with NJRC Rules the horse RABLE is hereby disqualified from sharing in the purse from the 11th race on April 1, 2022.

**SWARTZENTRUBER, HERMAN J**  
MR on 5/18/2022

**PINE BUSH, NY** **YOB 1997**  
FINED: \$500  
FULL - 7 DAYS, 6/15/2022 THRU 6/21/2022  
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE  
REDISTRIBUTION

**POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

Herman Swartzentruber as trainer of record for the horse "Shoot The Thrill" winner of the 3rd Race on May 18, 2022, at Monticello Raceway is hereby suspended 15 days and fined \$1,000. Post-race analysis of the sample(s) submitted resulted in a positive finding for Caffeine, Theophylline, Theobromine and 1,7-Dimethylxanthine. "Shoot The Thrill" finished 1st is hereby disqualified and placed 7th. All purse monies paid must be returned and redistributed. Having appeared before a representative of the NYSGC and waiving the right to a formal hearing and appeal, the suspension is hereby reduced to 7 days and the fine is reduced to \$500. "Shoot The Thrill" will be required to submit a negative sample for the above mentioned substance before being allowed to participate in further racing in the State of New York. During the term of suspension Mr. Swartzentruber will be denied the privilege of and access to all grounds under the jurisdiction of the NYSGC. All horses owned or trained by Mr. Swa

**PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS**

**ATHEARN, MATTHEW M**  
PRC on 6/13/2022

**CUMBERLAND, ME** **YOB 1998**  
FINED: \$250  
DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 6/19/2022 THRU 6/21/2022

**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

USTA Rule 18.00 S18.08 (b)2. On 06/13/2022 at PRC, while driving No.3 THE SWEET ONE in Race 1, driver Matthew Athearn did whip his horse in the stretch in excess by using the whip more than three times in succession without giving the horse time to respond to the urging. (2nd whipping offense). As a result of the violation Mr. Athearn is hereby fined \$250.00. In addition Mr. Athearn is suspended from driving only for three days beginning Sunday 06/19/2022 thru and including Tuesday 06/21/2022. Subsequent violations will result in additional fines and days. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

**CRAIB, CLAY A**

HoP on 6/10/2022

**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

71 IAC 7-3-13(b) While driving BARON CHANCEY in the first race on 6/10/2022, driver Clay Craib did whip using other than wrist action.

**ANDERSON, IN**

FINED: \$200

**YOB 1995**

**FLUET, PHILLIP JAMES**

Stga on 6/11/2022

**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

Mr. Fluet while driving #1 FLOW WITH JOE in the 3rd Race at Saratoga Harness on June 11, 2022, did whip his horse in an inappropriate manner in the stretch. Mr. Fluet is hereby issued a 1 day driving suspension to be served June 17, 2022 and a \$250 fine (2nd offense). Further whipping violations will result in greater penalties.

**SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY**

FINED: \$250

DRIVING - 1 DAY, 6/17/2022 THRU 6/17/2022

**YOB 1978**

**INDOF, JEREMY F**

Mea on 6/3/2022

**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

PA Code Title 7-205.409(c). While driving No. 3 HOBGOBLIN during the stretch in race 3 on 6/3/22 at the Meadows, Mr. Indof did use other than wrist and elbow action. Mr. Indof is fined \$200.00 which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Indof has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania SHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

**BELLE VERNON, PA**

FINED: \$200

**YOB 1996**

**LEFEBVRE, CHRIS R**

PRc on 6/13/2022

**OTHER**

On 06/14/2022 at PRC, while driving No.7 CANBEC KINGKAZIMIR in Race 2, driver Chris Lefebvre did leave welts on his horse. (1st offense). As a result of the violation Mr. Lefebvre is fined \$300.00. Subsequent violations will result in additional fines. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

**CUMBERLAND, ME**

FINED: \$300

**YOB 1979**

**MACEACHERN, JUSTIN**

PRc on 6/6/2022

**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

**ATTLEBORO, MA**

FINED: \$200

**YOB 1990**

USTA Rule 18.00 S18.08 (c)3. On 06/06/2022 at PRC, while driving No.4 MASTER OF PUPPETS in Race 2, driver Justin MacEachern did whip his horse using other than wrist and elbow action. (1st offense). As a result of this action Mr. MacEachern is hereby fined \$200.00. Subsequent violations will result in additional fines and days. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

**MILLER, MARCUS DREW**

**STROUDSBURG, PA**

**YOB 1989**

YR on 6/9/2022

FINED: \$100

**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

While driving # 4 MAJOR BATTLE in race # 7 at Yonkers on 6/9/22 Mr. Miller did use his whip outside the confines of the sulky. This is his 1st violation within a 1 year period , therefore he has been fined \$ 100.00 for this infraction. Any further violations in this chapter will result in a higher fine and a suspension.

**NEAL, ERIC J**

**COOLSPRING, PA**

**YOB 1991**

Mea on 6/9/2022

FINED: \$200

**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

PA Code Title 7-205.409(c). While driving No. 1 WHATCA during the stretch in race 10 on 6/10/22 at the Meadows, Mr. Neal did use other than wrist and elbow action. Mr. Neal is fined \$200.00 which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Neal has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania SHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

**NUNES, LEWIS A**

**GIBBSTOWN, NJ**

**YOB 1967**

OD on 6/12/2022

FINED: \$100

**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

Driver Lewis Nunes is fined \$100.00 for excessive use of the whip while driving SWORD OF THE SPIRIT in the third race on June 12th, 2022 at Ocean Downs. All fines are due within 10 days of ruling or Maryland Racing Commission licensee will be suspended until payment is received. COMAR: 09.10.03.03 A(14)

**RANDALL, JAY L**

**BALLSTON SPA, NY**

**YOB 1961**

PRC on 5/31/2022

FINED: \$250

DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 6/20/2022 THRU 6/22/2022

**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

USTA Rule 18.00 S18.08 (c)3. On 05/31/2022 at PRC, while driving No.1 WYATT J in Race 8, driver Jay Randall did whip his horse in the stretch using other than wrist and elbow action. (2nd offense). As a result of this action Mr.Randall is hereby fined \$250.00. In addition Mr. Randall is suspended from driving only for three days beginning Monday 06/20/2022 thru Wednesday 06/22/2022. Subsequent violations will result in additional fines and days. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

**STEVENSON, MICHAEL A**

**NEW GLOUCESTER, ME**

**YOB 1964**

CUMB on 6/10/2022

FINED: \$200

**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

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**WIDGER, SAMUEL D** **BEECHER, IL** **YOB 1963**  
HoP on 6/7/2022 FINED: \$200  
**FAILURE TO KEEP A LINE IN EACH HAND**  
71 IAC 7-3-13(e) While driving OUR ZAK WHITBY A in the fourth race on 6/07/2022, Mr. Widger failed to keep a line in each hand.

**WISHER, ADRIAN A JR.** **MIDDLETOWN, DE** **YOB 1990**  
OD on 6/12/2022 FINED: \$100  
**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**  
Driver Adrian Wisher Jr is fined \$100.00 for excessive use of the whip while driving WISH GRANTED in the third race on June 12th, 2022 at Ocean Downs. All fines are due within 10 days of ruling or Maryland Racing Commission licensee will be suspended until payment is received. COMAR: 09.10.03.03 A(14)

PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

**ATHEARN, MATTHEW M** **CUMBERLAND, ME** **YOB 1998**  
Bang on 6/12/2022 FINED: \$100  
**IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE**

**BAILEY, LEON B** **GREENWICH, NY** **YOB 1986**  
Stga on 6/6/2022 FINED: \$200  
**FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED**

**BARTLETT, JASON JAMES** **GOSHEN, NY** **YOB 1981**  
YR on 6/9/2022 FINED: \$200  
**KICKING A HORSE**  
YR on 6/11/2022 FINED: \$100  
**FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED**

**BATES, BRANDON L** **MONROE, IN** **YOB 1975**  
HoP on 6/1/2022 FINED: \$400  
**FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE**

**BECKWITH, MARK D** **WILTON, NY** **YOB 1966**  
Stga on 6/11/2022 FINED: \$100  
**FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED**

**BERRY, PATRICK D** **HARRINGTON, DE** **YOB 1976**  
Har on 6/8/2022 FINED: \$200  
HORSE PLACED 6  
**INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOTHER HORSE TO MAKE A BREAK**

<b>BICKMORE, RANDY L</b> PRc on 6/14/2022 <b>HORSE LATE TO THE PADDOCK</b>	<b>SCARBOROUGH, ME</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1966</b>
<b>BURKE, RONALD J</b> Nfld on 6/11/2022 <b>OTHER</b>	<b>CANONSBURG, PA</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1969</b>
<b>CAMPBELL, HEATH R</b> PRc on 6/9/2022 <b>FAILURE TO COME UP/STAY IN POSITION</b>	<b>CORINNA, ME</b> FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 1971</b>
<b>CARRUBBA, CHRIS S JR</b> BR on 6/11/2022 <b>INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOTHER HORSE TO NOT FINISH</b>	<b>CHESTERFIELD, NJ</b> DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 6/13/2022 THRU 6/15/2022	<b>YOB 1981</b>
<b>DARISH, SHANE R</b> MR on 6/14/2022 <b>TAKE UP ABRUPTLY/SIT DOWN IN FRONT OF HORSES CAUSING CONFUSION AMONG TRAILING HORSES</b>	<b>BLOOMINGBURG, NY</b> DRIVING - 7 DAYS, 6/20/2022 THRU 6/26/2022	<b>YOB 1992</b>
<b>DONOWAY, DECLAN S</b> OD on 6/12/2022 <b>CROWDING/PUTTING ANOTHER WHEEL UNDER ANOTHER HORSE OR DRIVER</b>	<b>SALISBURY, MD</b> FINED: \$150 HORSE PLACED 5	<b>YOB 2000</b>
<b>FALLON, JESSICA LEE</b> Mea on 6/11/2022 <b>LATE TO THE PADDOCK</b> Mea on 6/11/2022 <b>FAILURE TO OBEY THE INSTRUCTIONS OF A RACING OFFICIAL</b>	<b>MIDDLETOWN, NY</b> FINED: \$200  FINED: \$500	<b>YOB 1985</b>
<b>GRAFFAM, NICHOLAS M</b> PRc on 6/9/2022 <b>FAILURE TO COME UP/STAY IN POSITION</b>	<b>FALMOUTH, ME</b> FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 1990</b>
<b>HALL, MICHAEL P</b> OD on 6/13/2022 <b>FAILURE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE POST PARADE</b>	<b>OCEAN CITY, MD</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1976</b>
<b>HARRISON, GEORGE R</b> Stga on 6/12/2022 <b>LATE DRIVER CHANGE</b>	<b>NEW HARTFORD, NY</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1960</b>

<b>HORSEY, CEBA M</b> PHL on 6/1/2022 <b>CROSSING OVER BEFORE THE START</b>	<b>LAUREL, DE</b> DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 6/2/2022 THRU 6/4/2022	<b>YOB 1976</b>
<b>JOHNSON, JASON L</b> Har on 6/13/2022 <b>LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION BARN</b>	<b>DOVER, DE</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1981</b>
<b>KESMODEL, MARK J</b> PHL on 5/27/2022 <b>LEAVING HORSE UNATTENDED</b>	<b>SPRING LAKE, NJ</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1967</b>
<b>KRUEGER, MATTHEW W</b> HoP on 6/2/2022 <b>FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE</b>	<b>MANTENO, IL</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1975</b>
<b>MACOMBER, RICHARD L JR</b> HoP on 6/7/2022 <b>FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE</b>	<b>FISHERS, IN</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1970</b>
<b>MCDONOUGH, SHAWN M</b> BR on 6/11/2022 <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b> BR on 6/11/2022 <b>FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS</b>	<b>BATAVIA, NY</b> FINED: \$100  FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1990</b>
<b>MERRIMAN, AARON E</b> Nfld on 6/6/2022 <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>NORTHFIELD, OH</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1978</b>
<b>MILLER, ALLEN J</b> Nfld on 6/8/2022  <b>CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE</b>	<b>MILLERSBURG, OH</b> FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 6	<b>YOB 1992</b>
<b>NEILL, DREW D</b> Nfld on 6/4/2022  <b>IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE</b>	<b>DELAWARE, OH</b> FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 4	<b>YOB 1999</b>
<b>O'DONNELL, KELLY R</b> Nfld on 6/9/2022 <b>OTHER</b>	<b>SAGAMORE HILLS, OH</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1958</b>
<b>OLSEN, COLE N</b>	<b>POCOMOKE, MD</b>	<b>YOB 2002</b>



<b>OD on 6/6/2022</b>	<b>FINED: \$100</b>	
<b>FAILURE TO COME UP/STAY IN POSITION</b>		
<b>PAGE, CHRIS L</b>	<b>MT VERNON, OH</b>	<b>YOB 1983</b>
<b>ScD on 6/4/2022</b>	<b>FINED: \$200</b>	
	<b>HORSE PLACED 4</b>	
<b>CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE</b>		
<b>PAPADOPOULOS, ANASTASIOS</b>	<b>DAGSBORO, DE</b>	<b>YOB 1938</b>
<b>OD on 6/13/2022</b>	<b>FINED: \$100</b>	
<b>LATE DRIVER CHANGE</b>		
<b>PAVER, RAYMOND TOM</b>	<b>GROVE CITY, OH</b>	<b>YOB 1955</b>
<b>ScD on 6/7/2022</b>	<b>FINED: \$200</b>	
	<b>HORSE PLACED 6</b>	
<b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>		
<b>RIAD, JOSEPH E</b>	<b>WEST GROVE, PA</b>	<b>YOB 1971</b>
<b>Har on 6/10/2022</b>		
<b>OTHER</b>		
<b>SHETLER, ANDY R</b>	<b>ANDERSON, IN</b>	<b>YOB 1973</b>
<b>HoP on 6/8/2022</b>	<b>FINED: \$200</b>	
<b>FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE</b>		
<b>TERPENNING, KENNETH W</b>	<b>MIAMISBURG, OH</b>	<b>YOB 1972</b>
<b>ScD on 6/8/2022</b>	<b>FINED: \$300</b>	
<b>FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION</b>		