FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Oct 1 - Thu, Oct 7

# PART ONE

HOLIDAY, FL

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

#### GORSHACK, JOHN I III

**USTA** on 10/4/2021

# DENIAL(DEN) AS OF 10/4/2021

**YOB 1962** 

**YOB 1968** 

## **USTA MEMBERSHIP ACTION**

Membership denied pursuant to the provisions of Article 1, Section 4(a) of the Association bylaws.

WELLINGTON, FL

#### PAQUET, FERNAND A JR

# **USTA** on 10/4/2021

# **USTA MEMBERSHIP ACTION**

Membership suspended for failure to answer correspondence regarding financial responsibility complaint (civil court judgment).

#### **ROBINSON, JASON M**

USTA on 10/4/2021

INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 10/4/2021

WIND GAP, PA YOB 1984 RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF 10/5/2021

## **USTA MEMBERSHIP ACTION**

Indefinite suspension for violation of Rule 20, Section 9, issuing a dishonored check to USTA in payment of fees.

Status as of 10/5/2021 - Subsequent Ruling - Restored to good standing.

# 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.

BELL, JOHN A OD on 8/30/2021

# JAMESTOWN, NY

YOB 1949

FULL - 30 DAYS, 9/29/2021 THRU 10/28/2021 HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 8, PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

## **POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

Trainer John Bell, for being trainer of record on sample #35538 taken from NOSEYBUGGA at Rosecroft Raceway on August 30th, 2021, was found to contain the drug Tapentadol (Nucynta). Trainer Bell is issued a 30-day full suspension from September 29th, 2021 to October 28th, 2021, and must return all purse monies. NOSEYBUGGA is disqualified, finishing 2nd and placed 8th. All purse monies must be returned within 72 hours of this issuance. COMAR: 09.10.03.04.B. 6 Multiple Medication Violation (MMV) points assessed.

## BILLINGSLEY, DONALD G JR GROTON, MA

**YOB 1953** 

Mea on 9/21/2021

# RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF

10/6/2021

# FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

Pa Code Title 7-203.11(e),203.23(b). Mr. Billingsley failed to complete his licensing requirements in Pennsylvania in a timely manner. He is hereby fined \$50 and issued an indefinite suspension beginning September 21, 2021, until such time he completes his licensing requirements and pays his fine. During the term of suspension, Mr. Billingsley is banned from all racing activities otherwise permitted if properly licensed by the Commission. Mr. Billingsley has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania State Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

Status as of 10/6/2021 - Subsequent Ruling - Ruling #21080M was written in error against Mr. Billingsley is hereby rescinded. Mr. Billingsley is restored to good standing in Pennsylvania as of October 6, 2021.

**BOYD, FRED C** 

Athns on 8/7/2021

MARIETTA, OH HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

**YOB 1945** 

# **POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

Blood sample #891145 collected at the Athens County Fair on 8/7/21 from the horse Im Rockin Country was found to contain Naproxen. All purse money must be returned for redistribution (\$2,399.00). O.S.R.C.-3769-18-01(B)(10)&(13) 18-02 18-99 The penalty reflects mitigating circumstances. If the fine is not paid to the judges by 10/12/21 you shall be suspended and your license may be revoked by the commission. If the purse money is not returned by 10/12/21 the owner shall stand suspended until all purse money has been returned to the permit holder. Horses owned wholly or in part by the owner shall also be suspended and are not transferable until the purse money has been returned.

## **HITCHENS, KIM H**

# HARRINGTON, DE

**YOB 1955** 

Har on 9/30/2021

# **POSITIVE TEST - ILLEGAL SUBSTANCE TEST**

DHRC Licensee Kim H. Hitchens, having waived his right to a Judge's hearing, is now under a 30 day FULL suspension (10/4/2021 through and including 11/2/2021) for failing a human drug test. Mr. Hitchens tested positive for Marijuana-THC (See DHRC rule: 5.1.8.5.2). Following his completed suspension, Mr. Hitchens, in accordance with DHRC rules: 5.1.8.5.5 and 5.1.8.5.6, will be subject to additional testing for a period of one (1) year, at his expense. The transfer of related ownership and/or training responsibilities must be approved by the DHRC. Mr. Hitchens is responsible for the cost of the failed test (\$30.00).

## **KARIUKI, IVY**

**PcD** on 8/8/2021

# **NEWARK, NJ**

**FINED: \$50** 

# FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

PA Title 7- 203.11(e) Ivy Kariuki has failed to complete licensing requirements in Pennsylvania for 2021. There is a \$50.00 fine and an indefinite suspension starting on

FULL - 30 DAYS, 10/4/2021 THRU 11/2/2021

**YOB 1997** 

9/23/21 and will remain suspended until the fine is paid and licensing requirements are completed.

Status as of 10/4/2021 - Subsequent Ruling - Pa Title 7-203.11(e) Ms. Kariuki has completed her licensing requirements and paid her fine and is restored to to good standing.

# KRIKORIAN, K WILLIAM

PRc on 9/3/2021

# FITCHBURG, MA

YOB 1943

FINED: \$500 HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

## **POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

On September 28, 2021, Industrial Labs reported a post race positive for the horse NORTHERN SULTAN for the drug Triamcinolone Acetonide, a Class 4 Drug, confirmed in the blood at 211 pg/ml. The measurement uncertainty is 20 pg/ml at the threshold of 100 pg/ml. The horse raced at PRC on September 3, 2021 in Race 3 and finished 1st. After waiving his right to a split sample and conducting a hearing on October 4, 2021, trainer K. William Krikorian is hereby fined \$500.00 for the violation. In addition the horse is disqualified and all purse monies (\$6,250.00) are ordered returned. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

TERPOLILLI, MIKE A

#### SWEDESBORO, NJ

YOB 1988

**PcD** on 10/5/2021

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

7 PA Code, Section 401.61 and 185.2 The SHRC investigators at Pocono Downs conducted a vehicle search of Trainer/Driver Mike Terpolilli`s pick up truck. Several syringes with liquid and several needles were found along with an injectable bottle. He is summarily suspended pending a hearing before the judges at Pocono Downs for violation of the above mentioned codes.

VAMVILIS, NICHOLAS P<br/>PRc on 9/17/2021SOMERS, CT<br/>FINED: \$500<br/>TRAINING - 7 DAYS, 10/8/2021 THRU 10/14/2021<br/>HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE<br/>REDISTRIBUTIONYOB 1961<br/>YOB 1961

## **POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

On September 28,2021, Industrial Labs reported a post race positive test for the horse TAP ME BLUE CHIP for the drug Medroxyprogesterone Acetate, a Class 3 Drug, confirmed in the blood. The horse raced at PRC on September 17, 2021 in Race 1 and finished 4th. After waiving his right to split sample and conducting a hearing on October 3, 2021, trainer Nicholas Vamvilis is hereby suspended for a period of seven days, beginning October 8,2021 thru and including October 14,2021. He is also fined \$500.00 for the violation. In addition the horse is disqualified and all purse monies (\$1,600.00) are ordered returned. All fines are due within 48 hours of imposition.

# FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

71 IAC 5-1-1(e) Mr. Walker failed to complete the licensing requirements of the IHRC by not submitting fingerprints as required. He is hereby issued an indefinite suspension beginning 10/01/2021 until such time he completes his licensing requirements.

# PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

**NEW ROCHELLE, NY** 

# **BASSEN, MURRAY**

M on 9/3/2021

FINED: \$500 DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 9/7/2021 THRU 9/11/2021

RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF

# EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

Driver Murray Bassen 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, September 7, 2021 and run through Saturday, September 11, 2021 inclusive. While driving #4 "Makasi" in the first race on Friday, September 3, 2021, Mr. Bassen did violate the New Jersey Racing Commission rule regarding the restrictive use of the whip. Violation of N.J.A.C

CONNOR, CHARLES E JR	GOSHEN, NY	YOB 1955		
<b>M</b> on 9/25/2021	FINED: \$500			
	DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 9/25/	2021 THRU 9/29/2021		
EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP				

#### **VENA, NUNZIO** HoP on 8/13/2021

# FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

71 IAC 5-1-1(e) Mr. Vena failed to complete the licensing requirements of the IHRC by not submitting fingerprints as required. He is hereby issued an indefinite suspension beginning 10/01/2021 until such time he completes his licensing requirements.

ORLEANS, MI

# VER HAGE, RYAN M

Nor on 12/1/2020

#### FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)

MGCB Ruling 7308 - Failure to pay fine in the amount of \$200.00 as ordered by Stewards` Ruling 7300.

12/8/2020

Status as of 12/8/2020 - Subsequent Ruling - MGCB Ruling 7309 - Having met the requirements as set forth in MGCB Stewards' Ruling 7300, the suspension of the occupational license issued to Ryan Verhage is hereby lifted and Mr. Verhage is restored to good standing.

# WALKER, MITCHELL K

HoP on 8/5/2021

# **DAVISON, MI**

**YOB 1956** 

**YOB 1950** 

**YOB 1971** 

**YOB 1991** 

**BOLTON, ON** 

Driver Chuck Connor, Jr. 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 Saturday, September 25, 2021 and run through Wednesday, September 29, 2021 inclusive. While driving #8DEW CAN DEW in the 1st race on Friday, September 25, Mr. Connor, Jr. did violate the New Jersey Racing Commission rule regarding the restrictive use of the whip. The fine associated with this ruling must be paid by September 29, 2021 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

# CRAWFORD, BRETT LEE

#### **Stga** on 10/4/2021 **INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

4117.8(c). Mr. Crawford while driving #6 HENRY IAM IAM in the 2nd Race at Saratoga Harness on October 4, 2021, did whip his horse in an inappropriate manner at the 3/4 pole. The fine is \$100. Further violations of this nature will result in greater penalties.

**JACKSON, MI** 

FINED: \$100

SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY

# HARMON, DONALD D

#### HoP on 9/29/2021 FINED: \$200 EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

71 IAC 7-3-13(b) While driving ABC SHOWTIME in the sixth race on 9/29/2021, driver Don Harmon did whip using other than wrist action.

#### KASH, KEITH J JR Nfld on 9/26/2021

MEDINA, OH FINED: \$300

# EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

While driving #1 Jet Airliner in race 4 on 9/26/21 he whipped the horse excessively after the half. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-17(L) 17-99 If the fine is not paid to the judges by 10/14/21 you shall be suspended and your license may be revoked by the commission.

# **RAWLINGS, DAN J.**

CANONSBURG, PA FINED: \$200

#### Mea on 9/23/2021 **INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

PA Code Title 205.409(c). While driving #9 Gavinator during the stretch in race 10 on September 23, 2021 at the Meadows, Mr. Rawlings did whip his horse using other than wrist and elbow action. Mr. Rawlings is fined \$200 which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Rawlings has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania SHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

#### ZOMBICK, STANLEY J JR **VD** on 10/2/2021

#### VERNON, NY FINED: \$100

# **INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

While driving # 5 LABADEE AS at Vernon Downs on 10/2/21 in race # 2 Mr. Zombick did use his whip outside the confines of the sulky in the stretch drive . He has been fined \$ 100.00 for this violation. Any further infractions in this chapter will result in a higher penalty.

**YOB 1979** 

**YOB 1987** 

**YOB 1966** 

# **YOB 1981**

**YOB 1964** 

# ZUCCARELLO, MATT J

#### HAMMONTON, NJ

FINED: \$500

YOB 1975

**M** on 9/24/2021

DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 9/25/2021 THRU 9/29/2021

#### EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

Driver Matt Zuccarello 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 Saturday, September 25, 2021 and run through Wednesday, September 29, 2021 inclusive. While driving #8 DG`S SHALLWEDANCE in the 8th race on Friday, September 24, 2021, Mr. Zuccarello did violate the New Jersey Racing Commission rule regarding the restrictive use of the whip. The fine associated with this ruling must be paid by September 29, 2021. Violation of N.J.A.C. Rule 13:71-20.15(b) 2. BY ORDER OF THE NEW JERSEY RACING COMMISSION BOARD OF JUDGES

# **PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES**

ASHER-STALBAUM, WINTER S CUMB on 10/2/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	FINED: \$100	YOB 2003
ATHEARN, GRETCHEN R PRc on 10/4/2021 LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION	CUMBERLAND, ME FINED: \$100 BARN	YOB 1976
ATHEARN, MATTHEW M PRc on 9/30/2021 LAYING BACK IN SULKY	CUMBERLAND, ME FINED: \$100	YOB 1998
BEATTIE, JASON R DTN on 9/30/2021 JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEE	OREGONIA, OH FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 6 ELS	YOB 1972
BELTRAMI, ANTHONY S M on 9/10/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	BETHLEHEM, PA FINED: \$300 VIOLATION	YOB 1962
BILLINGSLEY, DONALD G JR CUMB on 10/2/2021 FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATI	FINED: \$250	YOB 1953
BURT, RAYMOND A PHL on 10/3/2021 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	WIND GAP, PA FINED: \$200	YOB 1965

BUTTERFIELD, KARL F CUMB on 10/1/2021 LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION	RAYMOND, ME FINED: \$50 BARN	YOB 1967	
CALLAHAN, COREY M on 9/10/2021 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGE	MIDDLETOWN, DE FINED: \$200 RAMMED	YOB 1978	
CASE, WALTER H JR Frybg on 10/5/2021 KICKING A HORSE	RICHMOND, ME FINED: \$100	YOB 1961	
CLEGG, BETTY JO Nfld on 9/13/2021 FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATI	NORTHFIELD, OH FINED: \$50 E OR PROPER DECLARATION INFORMA	YOB 1973	
DAVIS, ERIC E RcR on 10/3/2021 SLOW QUARTER/HALF	HARTLY, DE FINED: \$100	YOB 1996	
DE LONG, JOHN J HoP on 9/24/2021 IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF AN	ANDERSON, IN FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 7	YOB 1989	
DEVINCENT, STEPHEN M PRc on 9/30/2021 LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION	NORTON, MA FINED: \$100 BARN	YOB 1946	
FOX, JACOB J HoP on 9/8/2021 OTHER	ANDERSON, IN FINED: \$25	YOB 1984	
HALL, TONY A DTN on 9/30/2021	WASHINGTON, PA FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 2	YOB 1978	
INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION			
IRVINE, DONALD JR Nfld on 10/3/2021 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGE	STREETSBORO, OH FINED: \$100 RAMMED	YOB 1951	
LE VAN, HANK	WOODSTOCK, OH	YOB 1994	

<b>DTN</b> on 9/27/2021				
HORSE PLACED 6 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION				
LONG, CHRIS H VD on 9/25/2021	SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 10/14/2021 THRU 7 HORSE PLACED 3			
CROWDING/PUTTING ANOTHER WHEEL UNDER ANOTHER HORSE OR DRIVER				
MAC EACHERN, FRANK A PRc on 9/30/2021 LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION	FINED: \$100	YOB 1953		
MACDONALD, ANTHONY A Mea on 9/21/2021 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGE	FINED: \$200	YOB 1976		
MARSTON, ROBERT D CUMB on 10/3/2021 OTHER	NEW GLOUCESTER, ME FINED: \$50	YOB 1981		
MELE, PETER J MR on 9/30/2021 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON V	YONKERS, NY FINED: \$100 /IOLATION	YOB 1963		
MILLER, EMANUEL H Nfld on 9/13/2021	STRASBURG, OH FINED: \$300 HORSE PLACED 9	YOB 1998		
COMING TO THE GATE OUT OF POSITION				
NORMAN, RICHARD J F M on 9/17/2021 DELAYING THE START	ALLENTOWN, NJ FINED: \$100	YOB 1960		
PETRELLI, CHRISTOPHER A MR on 9/28/2021 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGR	FINED: \$100	YOB 1999		
RAWLINGS, DAN J. Mea on 9/14/2021	CANONSBURG, PA FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 6	YOB 1981		
CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE				
RHOADES, BILL Nfld on 9/29/2021	NORTHFIELD, OH FINED: \$50	YOB 1987		

# FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE OR PROPER DECLARATION INFORMATION

RYDER, CHRISTOPHER J PcD on 10/4/2021 LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION	ALLENTOWN, NJ FINED: \$250 BARN	YOB 1955
SHAW, CHRISTOPHER S Mea on 9/16/2021 FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN	WASHINGTON, PA FINED: \$200 THE STIRRUPS	YOB 1986
SIKARAS, JOHN M on 9/10/2021 DELAYING THE START	EIGHTY FOUR, PA FINED: \$300	YOB 1950
STILLINGS, TYLER V Mea on 9/21/2021 CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING IN	WASHINGTON, PA FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 5	YOB 1971
STORER, ANTONIA G	DALLAS, PA	YOB 1979
PHL on 10/3/2021 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	FINED: \$200	
PHL on 10/3/2021 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	FINED: \$200	
WHELAN, WALTER J PcD on 10/5/2021 LEAVING PADDOCK EARLY	DUNDAS, ON FINED: \$250	YOB 1950
WHITE, RANDY P CUMB on 10/3/2021 FAILURE TO OBEY THE INSTRUC	HOLDEN, ME FINED: \$150 TIONS OF A RACING OFFICIAL	YOB 1960