

# 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.***

**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**  
PHL on 12/20/2021  
**FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)**

**MIDDLETOWN, NY** **YOB 1996**  
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 1/25/2022



**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** **XENIA, OH** **YOB 1979**  
MVR on 1/13/2022  
FINED: \$50  
**LATE DRIVER CHANGE**

**CHINDANO, JOSEPH J JR.** **BLOOMINGBURG, NY** **YOB 1999**  
PPk on 1/4/2022  
FINED: \$100  
**INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION**

**DUBE, DANIEL** **MILLSTONE, NJ** **YOB 1969**  
YR on 1/18/2022  
FINED: \$100  
**INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION**

**DUNNING, BRYSON T** **CARNEYS POINT, NJ** **YOB 2003**  
Fhld on 12/31/2021  
FINED: \$150  
**CROSS IN FRONT OF A FIELD OR HORSES IN A RECKLESS MANNER**

<b>Fhld on 12/31/2021</b> <b>OTHER</b>	<b>FINED: \$50</b>	
<b>Fhld on 12/31/2021</b> <b>DELAYING THE START</b>	<b>FINED: \$50</b>	
<b>Fhld on 12/31/2021</b> <b>DELAYING THE START</b>	<b>FINED: \$50</b>	
<b>GINSBURG, VINCENT A</b> <b>Fhld on 1/8/2022</b> <b>OTHER</b>	<b>JACKSON, NJ</b> <b>FINED: \$50</b>	<b>YOB 1988</b>
<b>GRISMORE, GREG G</b> <b>Nfld on 12/30/2021</b>  <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>GROVE CITY, OH</b> <b>FINED: \$200</b> <b>HORSE PLACED 4</b>	<b>YOB 1970</b>
<b>HAWK, ALEXANDER D</b> <b>MVR on 1/11/2022</b> <b>FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED</b>	<b>CIRCLEVILLE, OH</b> <b>FINED: \$100</b>	<b>YOB 1992</b>
<b>HORSEY, CEBA M</b> <b>DD on 1/17/2022</b> <b>NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE</b>	<b>LAUREL, DE</b> <b>FINED: \$300</b>	<b>YOB 1976</b>
<b>MALETTE, RONALD</b> <b>MVR on 1/12/2022</b> <b>FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION</b>	<b>ARCANUM, OH</b> <b>FINED: \$300</b>	<b>YOB 1945</b>
<b>NORRIS, CHARLIE R II</b> <b>Mea on 1/20/2022</b> <b>LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION BARN</b>	<b>BENTLEYVILLE, PA</b> <b>FINED: \$250</b>	<b>YOB 1982</b>
<b>NOVELLO, JOHN M</b> <b>Fhld on 1/8/2022</b> <b>OTHER</b>	<b>LINDEN, NJ</b> <b>FINED: \$50</b>	<b>YOB 1966</b>
<b>PALONE, DAVID M</b> <b>Mea on 1/14/2022</b>  <b>IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE</b>	<b>WASHINGTON, PA</b> <b>FINED: \$200</b> <b>HORSE PLACED 6</b>	<b>YOB 1962</b>
<b>PORTER, JAMES TRAE</b> <b>Fhld on 1/6/2022</b> <b>OTHER</b>	<b>SMYRNA, DE</b> <b>FINED: \$50</b>	<b>YOB 2001</b>

<b>ROBERTS, MEGAN R</b> DD on 1/18/2022 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	<b>CENTREVILLE, MD</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1983</b>
<b>ROBINSON, JASON D</b> Nfld on 1/8/2022 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	<b>JACKSON, MI</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1974</b>
<b>SCHWARTZ, BRET M</b> UpSan on 9/16/2021 FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION	<b>WASHINGTON C H, OH</b> FINED: \$300	<b>YOB 1972</b>
<b>SILVESTRI, RALPH R III</b> Fhld on 12/17/2021 FAILURE TO OBEY THE INSTRUCTIONS OF A RACING OFFICIAL	<b>PEMBERTON, NJ</b> FINED: \$250	<b>YOB 1989</b>
<b>SMITH, STEPHEN M</b> YR on 1/19/2022 HELP ANOTHER HORSE IMPROVE ITS POSITION	<b>FREEHOLD, NJ</b> DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 1/30/2022 THRU 2/3/2022	<b>YOB 1961</b>
<b>STILLWELL, JACOB T</b> Fhld on 12/31/2021 OTHER Fhld on 12/31/2021 DELAYING THE START	<b>FREEHOLD, NJ</b> FINED: \$50  FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 1999</b>
<b>WHITTEMORE, DENNIS J</b> PPk on 1/9/2022 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	<b>NORWAY, ME</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1955</b>
<b>WISKOW, DAVID J</b> Fhld on 1/6/2022 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	<b>LAKE HOPATCONG, NJ</b> FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 1958</b>
<b>YODER, WILBUR L</b> Mea on 1/6/2022 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	<b>WASHINGTON, PA</b> FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 5	<b>YOB 1964</b>