

# FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Feb 16 - Thu, Feb 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.

**BAIRD, JACOB C**  
Nfld on 2/7/2024

**MT BLANCHARD, OH**  
FINED: \$500

**YOB 2003**

DRIVING - 45 DAYS, 2/14/2024 THRU 3/29/2024

### **UNSATISFACTORY DRIVE -LACK OF EFFORT**

While driving #4 Extra Crunchy in race 11 on 2/7/24 he did rein in before the finish and failed to use his utmost exertion to obtain a winning performance from his horse. His action was against the best interest of racing. Mr. Baird had a hearing with the judges on 2/13/24. He is hereby fined \$1000 and suspended from driving for 90 days. The penalty will be reduced to a fine of \$500 and 45 days driving suspension if not appealed. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-11(D)&(D)(2) 3769-12-26(A)(10) The fine must be paid by 2/23/24.

**BRINSON, JIM T**  
Nor on 11/17/2023

**CLINTON, MI**  
FINED: \$100

**YOB 1979**

### **FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE**

MGCB Ruling 7651 - Trainer Jim Brinson failed to have the owner of #4 Captain Carmella properly licensed resulting in a late scratch.

**CRAWFORD, KEITH H**  
Nfld on 1/25/2024

**COLUMBUS, OH**  
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 2/15/2024

**YOB 1946**

### **UNPAID OBLIGATION**

Mr. Crawford is hereby suspended until he pays the fine (\$100) per ruling 2024-NFLD-01s at Northfield Park. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36

**CRUSE, BRANDON**  
DD on 1/15/2024

**MILFORD, DE**  
FULL - 15 DAYS, 2/26/2024 THRU 3/11/2024

**YOB 1994**

### **POSITIVE TEST - ILLEGAL SUBSTANCE TEST**

DHRC Licensee Brandon Cruse, having had a Judge`s hearing on 2/20/2024, will be under a 15 day Full suspension (2/26/2024 through and including 3/11/2024) for failing a human drug test. Mr. Cruse tested positive for Marijuana/THC (See DHRC rule: 5.1.8.5.2). Following his completed suspension, Mr. Cruse, in accordance with DHRC rules: 5.1.8.5.5 and 5.1.8.5.6, will be subject to enhanced testing at his expense. The transfer of related

ownership and/or training responsibilities, during this suspension, must be approved by the Presiding Judge. Appeals must be requested within 4 business days after the publishing of this ruling. Mr. Cruse is responsible for the cost of the failed test (\$32.00).

**DAY, JAMES E** **MEDINA, OH** **YOB 1996**  
Nfld on 2/13/2024 FINED: \$500

**IMPROPER CONDUCT OR LANGUAGE TO AN OFFICIAL**

Mr. Day was disrespectful to racing officials after race 6 on 2/13/24 when he used offensive language to the judges during a phone call. His action was against the best interest of racing. Mr. Day waived his right to a hearing and is hereby fined \$1000. The penalty will be reduced to a fine of \$500 if not appealed. O.S.R.C.-3769-12-26(A) 17-29(B)(4) 17-35 The fine has been paid.

**DERUNTZ, MICHAEL J** **ASHLAND, OH** **YOB 1977**  
Nor on 10/17/2023 FINED: \$250

**LOW OR EXCESS LEVEL OF AUTHORIZED MEDICATION**

MGCB Ruling 7658- Michael DeRuntz was the trainer of record of the horse Princesa Alta, 1st place finisher in the 8th race on 11/17/2023 at Northville Downs, when the post-race sample was found to contain an excess of furosemide (lasix).

**GINSBURG, VINCENT A** **JACKSON, NJ** **YOB 1988**  
Fhld on 2/7/2024 FINED: \$100

**FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE**

Trainer Vincent Ginsburg is hereby fined the sum of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars. Mr. Ginsburg did employ an individual in the capacity of Stable Employee in the paddock at Freehold Raceway while that individual was not licensed by the New Jersey Racing Commission. Mr. Ginsburg`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 Commission 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 ensure that only individuals licensed by the New Jersey Racing Commission are employed in any capacity of caretaker, groom or other attendance with respect to the care-custody and training of such horse. The fine associated with this ruling shall be paid on or before March 1, 2024.

**GLASSMEYER, ANDREW R** **SMYRNA, DE** **YOB 1977**  
DD on 12/14/2023 FINED: \$2,500

FULL - 30 DAYS, 2/27/2024 THRU 3/27/2024  
HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 9, PURSE  
REDISTRIBUTION

**POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

Trainer Andrew Glassmeyer, having had a Judge`s hearing on 2/21/24 and being the trainer of record for the horse TROJAN BANNER N in race 11 on 12/14/2023 at Bally`s Dover, is fined \$2,500 and will be assessed a 30 day FULL suspension (2/27/2024 through and including 3/27/2024). It has been established ("Initial" and "Split Sample" testing) that

TROJAN BANNER N had a positive test - Levamisole (see DHRC rule: 8.3.3.3.1). TROJAN BANNER N has been disqualified, all purse monies to be returned. The transfer of related ownership and/or training responsibilities, during this suspension, must be approved by the Presiding Judge (see DHRC rule: 10.2.8.3). Appeals must be requested within 4 business days of the publishing of this ruling (see DHRC rule: 10.2.9 Appeals) All fines are due within 10 days of receipt of ruling.

**LAKE, DAVID R** **JACKSON, MI** **YOB 1970**  
Nor on 2/2/2024 FINED: \$100  
**FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE**  
MGCB Ruling 7665- Trainer David Lake failed to have the owner of #1 Outreach, Robert Beachy, properly licensed. Failure to be properly licensed resulted in a late scratch.

**MILLER, URIAH H** **NORTHFIELD, OH** **YOB 2000**  
Nfld on 4/8/2023 RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF 2/20/2024  
**BAD CHECK**  
Mr. Miller has paid the fine per ruling 2023-NFLD-072 and made good on the check per ruling 2023-NFLD-111. O.S.R.C.-3769-12-26(A)(6)

**TRADER, SHANNON M** **GREENWOOD, DE** **YOB 1974**  
DD on 11/15/2023 FINED: \$750  
**POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**  
DHRC Licensee Shannon Trader, having waived her right to a Judge`s hearing, and being the trainer on record of the mare SPEAK YOUR MIND in qualifying race 5 on 11/15/2023 at Bally`s Dover, is fined \$750. It has been found that SPEAK YOUR MIND had a positive test - Dantrolene (see DHRC rule: 8.3.3.3.1). All fines are due within 10 days of receipt of ruling.

### PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

**HOLLAND, BRENT** **FRISCO, TX** **YOB 1971**  
YR on 2/9/2024 FINED: \$250  
DRIVING - 1 DAY, 2/13/2024 THRU 2/13/2024  
**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**  
While driving #2 (AVF Claire) in Race 8 Mr. Holland did use the whip in an excessive manner. This is his second such violation in a calendar year. Future violations will result in increased penalties.

**LAKE, DAVID R** **JACKSON, MI** **YOB 1970**  
MVR on 2/19/2024 FINED: \$1,000  
DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 2/20/2024 THRU 2/24/2024  
**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

OSRC 3769-17-17-B. While driving #4 Rose Run Vincent during the stretch in race 10 on 2/19/24 at Miami Valley Raceway, Mr. Lake did whip the horse using other than wrist and elbow action. Mr. Lake is fined \$1000 and given a 15 day driving suspension (2/22/24-3/07/24). The driving suspension will be reduced to a 5 day driving suspension (2/20/24-2/24/24) if not appealed. This is Mr. Lake`s third offense in Ohio in the last 365 days, and 5th overall in the last 365 days. Mr. Lake has waived his right to appeal in a telephone hearing.

**MC ILMURRAY, ARTHUR L** **RIVES JUNCTION, MI** **YOB 1958**  
Nor on 2/3/2024 FINED: \$300  
**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**  
MGCB Ruling 7668 - While driving #1 Liberal, Arthur McIlmurray did violate the whipping policy in the stretch.

**SMITH, TREVOR GENE** **WASHINGTON CH, OH** **YOB 1996**  
MVR on 2/19/2024 FINED: \$500  
**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**  
OSRC 3769-17-17-B. While driving #4 A New Leader during the third quarter of race 6 on 2/19/24 at Miami Valley Raceway, Mr. Smith did whip the horse using other than wrist or elbow action. Mr. Smith is fined \$1000 or \$500 if not appealed, which is due within 10 days of this ruling. This is Mr. Smith`s 2nd offense in Ohio in the last 365 days. Mr. Smith has 48 hours to appeal this decision to the OSRC.

**ST LOUIS, MARC E JR.** **SWARTZ CREEK, MI** **YOB 1988**  
Nor on 1/19/2024 FINED: \$300  
**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**  
MGCB Ruling 7664- While driving #8 Commander Bob, Marc St Louis did violate the whipping policy in the stretch.

**VER HAGE, RYAN M** **WAYLAND, MI** **YOB 1991**  
Nor on 2/3/2024 FULL - INDEFINITELY AS OF 2/21/2024  
**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**  
MGCB Ruling 7666- While driving #8 Star of Oz, Ryan Verhage did violate the whipping policy by whipping a horse out of contention.  
***Status as of 2/21/2024 - Subsequent Ruling - MGCB Ruling 7671 - Failure to pay fine in the amount of \$300.00 as ordered by Stewards Ruling # 7666***

#### PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

**ANGUS, TYLER C** **SAGAMORE HILLS, OH** **YOB 2002**  
Nfld on 2/17/2024 FINED: \$100  
**INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION**

<b>ATHEARN, MATTHEW M</b> Stga on 2/5/2024  <b>KICKING A HORSE</b>	<b>CUMBERLAND, ME</b> FINED: \$500 DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 2/20/2024 THRU 2/22/2024	<b>YOB 1998</b>
<b>BEATTIE, JASON R</b> MVR on 2/21/2024 <b>FAILURE TO OBEY THE INSTRUCTION OF THE PADDOCK JUDGE</b>	<b>OREGONIA, OH</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1972</b>
<b>BREWER, JASON J</b> MVR on 2/20/2024 <b>FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION</b>	<b>MORAINE, OH</b> FINED: \$300	<b>YOB 1978</b>
<b>CAMPOLONG, RICHARD</b> PcD on 2/19/2024 <b>NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE</b>	<b>GLEN SPEY, NY</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1943</b>
<b>CARTER, STEVEN M</b> MVR on 2/20/2024 <b>FAILURE TO HAVE HORSE PROPERLY EQUIPPED</b>	<b>LONDONDERRY, OH</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1966</b>
<b>COHEN, SHEENA L</b> PcD on 2/19/2024 <b>NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE</b>	<b>NAZARETH, PA</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1983</b>
<b>CRAWFORD, KEITH H</b> Nfld on 1/21/2024  <b>OTHER</b>	<b>COLUMBUS, OH</b> RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF 2/20/2024	<b>YOB 1946</b>
<b>CUSHING, RONALD L</b> Stga on 2/13/2024  <b>KICKING A HORSE</b>	<b>WATERVILLE, ME</b> FINED: \$250 DRIVING - 1 DAY, 2/18/2024 THRU 2/18/2024	<b>YOB 1964</b>
<b>DAVIS, BILLY J JR</b> Nfld on 2/18/2024  <b>CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE</b>	<b>GUELPH, ON</b> FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 2	<b>YOB 1986</b>
<b>DAY, JAMES E</b> Nfld on 2/13/2024  <b>CROWDING/PUTTING ANOTHER WHEEL UNDER ANOTHER HORSE OR DRIVER</b>	<b>MEDINA, OH</b> FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 8	<b>YOB 1996</b>

<b>DEVITA, NICHOLAS F</b> YR on 2/5/2024 <b>FAILURE TO DESIGNATE RESPONSIBLE PERSON/TRAINER IN PADDOCK</b>	<b>MIDDLETOWN, NY</b> FINED: \$250	<b>YOB 1985</b>
<b>GILLIS, JEFFREY R</b> YR on 1/30/2024 <b>FAILURE TO DESIGNATE RESPONSIBLE PERSON/TRAINER IN PADDOCK</b>	<b>FERGUS, ON</b> FINED: \$500	<b>YOB 1977</b>
<b>HANNERS, AUSTIN B</b> MVR on 2/20/2024 <b>JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS</b>	<b>FRANKFORT, OH</b> FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 6	<b>YOB 1999</b>
<b>IRVINE, JUSTIN D</b> Nor on 1/6/2024 <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>AURORA, OH</b> FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 2001</b>
<b>KLEINHANS, PETER</b> M on 12/22/2023 <b>FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED</b>	<b>FLEMINGTON, NJ</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1965</b>
<b>LONG, CHRIS H</b> Stga on 2/4/2024 <b>CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE</b>	<b>SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY</b> DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 2/15/2024 THRU 2/17/2024	<b>YOB 1967</b>
<b>MANN, WILLIAM P</b> YR on 2/16/2024 <b>LATE DRIVER CHANGE</b>	<b>EASTON, PA</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1976</b>
<b>MEDEIROS, MATTHEW A</b> YR on 1/22/2024 <b>FAILURE TO DESIGNATE RESPONSIBLE PERSON/TRAINER IN PADDOCK</b>	<b>MONTAGUE, NJ</b> FINED: \$500	<b>YOB 1969</b>
<b>MERRIMAN, AARON E</b> Nfld on 2/12/2024 <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b> Mea on 2/14/2024 <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>NORTHFIELD, OH</b> FINED: \$100 FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1978</b>
<b>MYERS, HUNTER R</b> Mea on 2/9/2024 <b>FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE</b>	<b>CHAGRIN FALLS, OH</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1998</b>
<b>PALONE, DAVID M</b> Mea on 2/9/2024	<b>WASHINGTON, PA</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1962</b>

**FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE**

<b>PORTER, JAMES TRAE</b> RcR on 2/15/2024 <b>TALKING ON THE RACE TRACK</b> RcR on 2/20/2024 <b>FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED</b>	<b>SMYRNA, DE</b> FINED: \$100  <b>DEPEW, NY</b> FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 2001</b>
<b>RICE, MARIA E</b> YR on 2/20/2024 <b>LATE DRIVER CHANGE</b>	<b>DEPEW, NY</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1980</b>
<b>SMITH, TYLER ALAN</b> MVR on 2/21/2024  <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>WASHINGTON CH, OH</b> FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 5	<b>YOB 1993</b>
<b>ST LOUIS, TYLER L</b> Nfld on 2/12/2024  <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>SWARTZ CREEK, MI</b> FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 7	<b>YOB 1991</b>
<b>STALBAUM, LARRY D</b> Stga on 2/10/2024 <b>KICKING A HORSE</b>	<b>MATAMORAS, PA</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1963</b>
<b>TSIPOURAS, FRANK W</b> DD on 2/20/2024 <b>LAYING BACK IN SULKY</b>	<b>PHILADELPHIA, PA</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1980</b>
<b>WARNER, MICHELLE</b> Stga on 2/18/2024 <b>LATE DRIVER CHANGE</b>	<b>CAZENOVIA, NY</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1969</b>
<b>WELLER, JAY W</b> Nfld on 2/20/2024 <b>NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE</b>	<b>REPUBLIC, OH</b> FINED: \$300	<b>YOB 1955</b>