### FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Jun 14 - Thu, Jun 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.

**BROOKS, COURTNEY L** 

**OD** on 6/2/2024

CHURCH HILL, MD

**YOB 1982** 

FINED: \$500 HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 8, PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

### POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Trainer Courtney Brooks, for being the trainer of record on sample #E537124 taken from PRECISION BLUECHIP on June 2nd, 2024 at Ocean Downs, was found to contain the medication 5-Hydroxydantrolene (Dantrolene) at a concentration of 126 pg/mL. The ARCI threshold for this therapeutic medication is 100 pg/mL. As a result, Brooks is fined \$500.00 and must return all purse monies. Additionally, PRECISION BLUECHIP is disqualified, finishing 2nd and placed 8th. All purse monies must be returned within 72 hours of this issuance, and all fines are due within 10 days of the ruling. COMAR: 09.10.03.04.B. 1/2 Multiple Medication Violation (MMV) points assessed.

HERSHBERGER, LEVI E

NORTH LAWERENCE, OH

**YOB 1985** 

Nfld on 5/1/2024

FINED: \$500

FULL - 7 DAYS, 6/21/2024 THRU 6/27/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

### **POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

Blood sample #921279 collected at Northfield Park on 5/1/24 from the horse Reckon I Will was found to contain caffeine at a concentration of 582+-78 nanograms per milliliter of plasma. This exceeds the Regulatory Threshold of 100 nanograms per milliliter adopted by the OSRC. Caffeine is a Class 2 Category B offense. Mr. Hershberger had a hearing with the judges on 6/16/24. He is hereby fined \$500 and suspended 15 days. Reckon I Will is disqualified, and as a result of the disqualification the purse is ordered to be returned (\$5,500.00). The penalty will be reduced to 7 days suspension, \$500 fine and loss of purse if not appealed. O.S.R.C.-3769-18-01(B)(1),(10),(13),(15)&(16) 18-02 During his suspension Mr. Hershberger is denied the use and privileges of all grounds sanctioned by the OSRC. Any horses that he wants to transfer to another owner or trainer must be approved by the judges or the OSRC. The purse money and fine must be paid by 6/26/24.

**Nfld** on 5/11/2024

FINED: \$500

FULL - 7 DAYS, 6/21/2024 THRU 6/27/2024

HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE

REDISTRIBUTION

### **POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

Blood sample #921346 collected at Northfield Park on 5/11/24 from the horse Reckon I Will was found to contain caffeine at a concentration of 239+-85 nanograms per milliliter of plasma. This exceeds the Regulatory Threshold of 100 nanograms per milliliter adopted by the OSRC. Caffeine is a Class 2 Category B offense. Mr. Hershberger had a hearing with the judges on 6/16/24. He is hereby fine \$500 and suspended 15 days. Reckon I Will is disqualified and as a result of the disqualification the purse is ordered to be returned (\$5,500.00). The penalty will be reduced to 7 days suspension to run concurrently with ruling 2024-NFLD-149, \$500 fine and loss of purse if not appealed. O.S.R.C-3769-18-01(B)(1),(10),(13),(15)&(16) 18-02 The purse money and fine must be paid by 6/27/24.

**IRVINE, BRAD D** 

**MOUNTAINTOP, PA** 

**YOB 1971** 

**Aces** on 6/13/2024

FINED: \$250

**OTHER** 

On 6/13/2024 Brad Irvine did permit an Unlicensed Individual to perform barn duties while on the grounds of a Licensed Association. This is a Violation of MN Rule 7877.0170 Subp 2 – F. Brad Irvine did meet with the Board of Judges and did sign the Waiver of Hearing. All Fines are due within 120 hours of this Ruling.

**KENNEDY, JAMES E** 

WILTON, CA

**YOB 1978** 

**Aces** on 6/18/2024

FINED: \$250

**OTHER** 

On 6/18/2024 James Kennedy did allow his Unlicensed Guest's to perform barn duties while on the grounds of a Licensed Association. This is a Violation of MN Rule 7877.0170 Subp 2 – F. James Kennedy did meet with the Board of Judges and did sign the Waiver of Hearing. All Fines are due withing 120 hours of this ruling.

LANG, PAUL R

PARAMUS, NJ

**YOB 1964** 

Aces on 6/11/2024

FINED: \$100

RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF

6/16/2024

### FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

Paul Lang failed to complete his licensing in a timely manner which is a Violation of MN Rule 7877.0130 Subp 1 and was issued an Emergency License and failed to complete the requirements in the 21 Day period which is in Violation of MN Rule 7877.0145 Subp 2-D. Paul Lang is hereby assessed a \$100 Fine and Indefinitely Suspended as of 6/11/2024 until his License Requirements are met in the State of Minnesota. Paul Lang has 120 Hours from this Ruling to Appeal or pay the fine that was ordered. All Appeals are under MN Rule 7897.0155 Subp 4.

Status as of 6/18/2024 - Subsequent Ruling - Paul Lang has officially completed all of the licensing requirements for the State of Minnesota and has paid in full the fine for Minnesota Ruling 24-10 of \$100. Paul Lang is officially restored to "Good Standing".

MILLER, DAVID S

## **ROBBINSVILLE, NJ**

**YOB 1964** 

**PcD** on 6/16/2024

FINED: \$200

## LATE FOR THE BREATH ANALYZER TEST

PA Title 203.5 David Miller was late for the breathalyzer/sign in prior to Race 1 on 6/16/2024 at Pocono Downs. Mr Miller was fined \$200 which must be paid within 10 days of the ruling.

SCHLAFF, KAYTE

MANCHESTER, MI

YOB UNKN

**Nfld** on 2/13/2024

INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 6/17/2024

UNPAID OBLIGATION

Ms. Schlaff is hereby suspended until she pays the fine (\$250) per ruling 2024-NFLD-126 at Northfield Park. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36

THARPS, THOMAS ERIC JR.

KETTERING, OH

**YOB 1992** 

**Nfld** on 5/8/2024

RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF

6/15/2024

#### **UNPAID OBLIGATION**

T. Eric Tharps Jr is hereby suspended until he pays the fine (\$300.00) per ruling 2024-NFLD-115 at Northfield Park. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36

Status as of 6/15/2024 - Subsequent Ruling - T. Eric Tharps Jr has paid the fine per ruling 2024-NFLD-115 at Northfield Park and is restored to good standing in Ohio. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36

THARPS, TRENT E JR

LOVELAND, OH

**YOB 1981** 

**Nfld** on 5/11/2024

RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF

6/15/2024

### UNPAID OBLIGATION

Trent Tharps Jr is hereby suspended until he pays the fine (\$300.00) per ruling 2024-NFLD-117 at Northfield Park. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36

Status as of 6/15/2024 - Subsequent Ruling - Trent Tharps Jr. has paid the fine per ruling 2024-NFLD-117 at Northfield Park and is restored to good standing in Ohio. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36

PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

DE LONG, JOHN J

ANDERSON, IN

**YOB 1989** 

**HoP** on 6/14/2024

FINED: \$200

**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP** 

71 IAC 7-3-13(b) While driving No.2 SHADYJAKE in race 14 at Hoosier Park on 6/14/2024 driver John DeLong violated the IHRC whipping rules by using more than minimal wrist and elbow action in the stretch. For this violation Mr. DeLong is fined \$200.00 which is due within seven days of this ruling. Mr. DeLong waived his right to a hearing and accepted the penalty.

FOSTER, RUSSELL H CORDOVA, MD **OD** on 6/16/2024 FINED: \$100

**YOB 1989** 

## **EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

Driver Russell Foster is fined \$100.00 for excessive use of the whip in the stretch while driving Z'S DREAM in the 8th race on June 16th, 2024 at Ocean Downs. All fines are due within 10 days of ruling or the Maryland Racing Commission licensee will be suspended until payment is received. COMAR: 09.10.03.03 A(14)

OOSTING, MICHAEL J

BEECHER, IL

**YOB 1962** 

**HoP** on 6/12/2024

FINED: \$300

## **EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

71 IAC 7-3-13(d)(5) While driving No. 6 LUVIN AFFECTION in race 2 at Hoosier Park on 6/12/2024 driver Mike Oosting was found to have welted the horse. For this violation Mr. Oosting is fined \$300.00 (1st offense of the meet) which is due within seven days of this ruling. Mr. Oosting waived his right to a hearing and accepted the penalty.

WILFONG, KYLE J

ANDERSON, IN

**YOB 1991** 

**HoP** on 6/8/2024

FINED: \$200

## **INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

71 IAC 7-3-13(b) While driving No. 3 LATE NITE HAWK in race 8 at Hoosier Park on 6/8/2024, driver Kyle Wilfong violated the IHRC whipping rule by using more than minimal wrist and elbow action while whipping in the stretch. For this violation Mr. Wilfong is fined \$200.00 which is due within seven days of this ruling. Mr. Wilfong waived his right to a hearing and accepted the penalty.

# PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

AHLE, JOHNATHAN P

MANCHESTER, NJ

**YOB 1997** 

**PcD** on 6/10/2024

FINED: \$200

HORSE PLACED 7

TAKE UP ABRUPTLY/SIT DOWN IN FRONT OF HORSES CAUSING CONFUSION **AMONG TRAILING HORSES** 

ANNUNZIATA, MICHAEL

MAHOPAC, NY

**YOB 1977** 

**CUMB** on 6/15/2024

FINED: \$50

LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION BARN

BECKWITH, BRETT M
Stga on 6/7/2024 WILTON, NY **YOB 2003** 

**Stga** on 6/7/2024 FINED: \$100

TALKING ON THE RACE TRACK

**BR** on 6/12/2024 FINED: \$100

FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

**BERGERON, EVE** MALTA, NY **YOB 1974** 

**Stga** on 6/17/2024 FINED: \$100

LATE DRIVER CHANGE

BUFORD, ARCHIE N TERRY, MS **YOB 1986** 

DRIVING - 5 DAYS, 6/19/2024 THRU 6/23/2024

INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOTHER HORSE TO MAKE A BREAK

CHUPP, MARION W MILLERSBURG, OH **YOB 1988** 

FINED: \$300 **Nfld** on 6/10/2024

NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE

CONRAD, CARSON M
HoP on 6/12/2024 **YOB 2004** MORRISTOWN, IN

**HoP** on 6/12/2024 FINED: \$100

FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED

**CUSHING, MITCHELL D YOB 1998** ORIENT, OH

**Stga** on 6/7/2024 FINED: \$100

TALKING ON THE RACE TRACK

**Stga** on 6/17/2024 FINED: \$500

FAILURE TO OBEY THE INSTRUCTIONS OF A RACING OFFICIAL

DAVIS, ALLAN W **SMYRNA**, DE **YOB 1976** 

**Har** on 6/17/2024 FINED: \$200

**KICKING A HORSE** 

DAVIS, ERIC E HARTLY, DE **YOB 1996** 

**OD** on 6/16/2024 FINED: \$100

FAILURE TO COME UP/STAY IN POSITION

ANDERSON, IN **YOB 1989** DE LONG, JOHN J

**HoP** on 6/12/2024 FINED: \$200

**FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED** 

DENNIS, DARRYLE LAMAR POCOMOKE, MD **YOB 1963** 

RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF **PSHRC** on 2/6/2009

6/18/2024

FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

DI STEFANO, JOSEPH ANTHONY PRc on 6/17/2024 FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN	FINED: \$100	YOB 1988
FERGUSON, BRAD K HoP on 6/12/2024 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROG	ANDERSON, IN FINED: \$100 RAMMED	YOB 1985
GAWRON, THEODORE W ScD on 6/19/2024 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	GREENVILLE, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 1950
HANNERS, AUSTIN B ScD on 6/13/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON ScD on 6/19/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 7	YOB 1999
HENNESSEY, WALTER J Stga on 6/17/2024 KICKING A HORSE	COCONUT CREEK, FL FINED: \$100	YOB 1956
HUDSON, TIMOTHY A PRc on 7/24/2017 LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION	BENTON, ME FINED: \$100 BARN	YOB 1962
LUCAS, MARK S PHL on 6/16/2024 RACING A HORSE WHICH IS IMPI		YOB 1963
MACDONALD, ANTHONY A ScD on 6/14/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON	MACEDONIA, OH FINED: \$100 VIOLATION	YOB 1976
MACOMBER, RICHARD L JR HoP on 6/15/2024	FISHERS, IN FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 2	YOB 1970
CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE		
MILLER, BRETT A ScD on 6/13/2024	BLACKLICK, OH FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 3	YOB 1973
INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION		

MILLER, EMANUEL H
OAKGR on 5/27/2024

DELAWARE, OH
FINED: \$200 **YOB 1998** 

IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE

WINCHENDON, MA O'DEA, TODD M **YOB 1971** 

DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 6/17/2024 THRU 6/20/2024 **PRc** on 6/11/2024

HORSE PLACED 9

INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOTHER HORSE TO MAKE A BREAK

OLSEN, COLE N POCOMOKE, MD **YOB 2002** 

FINED: \$100 **OD** on 6/16/2024

FAILURE TO COME UP/STAY IN POSITION

PAGE, CHRIS L DELAWARE, OH **YOB 1983** 

**ScD** on 6/14/2024 FINED: \$100

**INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION** 

**ScD** on 6/14/2024 FINED: \$200

HORSE PLACED 8

IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE

PAVIA, JOSEPH C JR
PcD on 6/15/2024

BOYNTON BEACH, FL
FINED: \$100 **YOB 1960** 

**NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE** 

PLANO, LUKE SACRAMENTO, CA **YOB 1980** 

**Aces** on 6/18/2024 FINED: \$100

FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE

SPRING GLEN, PA **YOB 1967** 

SCHADEL, TODD M PHL on 6/9/2024 FINED: \$200

INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOTHER HORSE TO MAKE A BREAK

SILVESTRI, RALPH R III PEMBERTON, NJ **YOB 1989** 

DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 6/20/2024 THRU 6/22/2024 **MR** on 6/13/2024

HORSE PLACED 8

CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE

SWITZER, KEVIN P JR E WATERBORO, ME PRc on 6/17/2024 FINED: \$100 **YOB 1987** 

**INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION** 

**TEAGUE, MONTRELL S Har** on 6/17/2024

HARRINGTON, DE
FINED: \$100 **YOB 1991** 

INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION

THARPS, DEVON J LEBANON, OH YOB 1993

**HoP** on 6/13/2024 FINED: \$200

**FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED** 

TORRO, KEITH D FREEHOLD, NJ YOB 1955

**PHL** on 6/11/2024 FINED: \$100

NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE