

## FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Mar 17 - Thu, Mar 23

### PART ONE

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

**DANCER, DONALD JAMES**      **MARLBORO, NJ**      **YOB 1955**  
**USTA on 3/15/2017**      **RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES)**  
      **AS OF 3/23/2017**

#### **USTA MEMBERSHIP ACTION**

Declared ineligible for membership for violation of Rule 20, Section 9  
"Issuing a dishonored check to USTA in payment of fees."

***Status as of 3/23/2017 - Subsequent Ruling - Restored to good standing.***

**MUGGLESTON, WILLIAM B**      **SARASOTA, FL**      **YOB**  
           **1949**  
**USTA on 3/15/2017**      **RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES)**  
      **AS OF 3/20/2017**

#### **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 3/20/2017 - 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, Section 13 and 14 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 those published penalties.*

*Please note that the following action is in an abbreviated form. Further information may be available by contacting the Racing Commissions or their representatives.*

**ALLARD, RENE M**      **MATAMORAS, PA**      **YOB 1987**  
**PcD on 10/29/2016**      **HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 8,**  
      **PURSE REDISTRIBUTION**

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

PA Code Title 58-(183.352)(183.355)(183.357). Mr. Allard was the trainer of record for JULERICA in the 5th Race at Pocono Downs on October 29, 2016. Post race analysis of sample #296507 showed the presence of OXYCODONE (Class 1, penalty class A), which was confirmed in the split

sample by Industrial Laboratories. Through counsel, Mr. Allard has waived his hearing before the Judges, but reserves his right to appeal to the Commission. Mr. Allard is fined \$5,000 and issued a 365 day full suspension of his occupational license to be served January 20, 2017 through and including January 19, 2018. JULERICA finished 1st and is placed 8th. Mr. Allard is ordered to return all purse monies earned by JULERICA on October 29, 2016. During the term of his suspension, Mr. Allard is ruled off all grounds under the jurisdiction of the PSHRC. Any trainer transfers of horses in his care must be approved by the PSHRC. The fine and purse return is due by January 20, 2017. Mr. Allard has 10 days to appeal.

***Status as of 3/20/2017 - Subsequent Ruling - Ruling # 17012C The State Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Horse Racing, after taking into account mitigating circumstances and in consideration his withdrawal of his appeal of Meadows Judges Ruling No. 17004M for an infraction at Pocono Downs. The ruling is hereby modified as follows: The fine and suspension imposed against Mr. Allard is hereby rescinded. However, Mr. Allard is not entitled to purse money and the purse shall be redistributed. Mr. Allard has until March 31, 2017 to return said money.***

**BALIGA, JOSEPH M**  
HoP on 9/30/2016

**DALEVILLE, IN**  
FINED: \$20,000  
FULL - 1826 DAYS, 10/1/2016 THRU  
9/30/2021

**YOB 1955**

**CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO THE BEST INTEREST OF HORSE RACING**

71 IAC 8-1-1.5 71 IAC 8-1-2 71 IAC 8-5-5 71 IAC 8-5-12 On November 10, 2016 the Indiana Horse Racing Commission filed Administrative Complaint No. 216003 against Dr. Joseph Baliga. The Administrative Complaint alleged that Dr. Baliga, while acting as Lasix Administration Veterinarian on the grounds of Hoosier Park on September 30, 2016, administered a substance other than Lasix to the standardbred race horse IAM Bonasera, who was entered in race 5 on September 30, 2016. The Administrative Complaint was the subject of a Final Order adopted by the Indiana Horse Racing Commission (hereafter IHRC), which ORDERED: 1. Dr. Baliga was suspended and shall remain ineligible for licensure for a period of five years; 2. Dr. Baliga was permanently barred from Lasix administration at Indiana race tracks; and 3. Dr. Baliga was fined the sum of \$20,000

**BIER, SEAN**  
M on 3/3/2017

**HARTLY, DE** **YOB 1975**  
DRIVING - 15 DAYS, 3/30/2017 THRU  
4/13/2017...**STAYED**

**UNSATISFACTORY DRIVE - CARELESSNESS**

**Status as of 3/20/2017 - Stay - The NJRC is in receipt of a notice of appeal and request for a stay from Sean Bier in connection with a 15-day suspension. The Executive Director, having considered the request for an appeal, hereby grants a stay of the suspension for a period of one year ending on March 18, 2018.**

**DOWDALL, MICHAEL J**  
Nfld on 3/6/2017

**RAVENNA, OH** **YOB 1968**  
FINED: \$1,000  
FULL - 365 DAYS, 3/28/2017 THRU  
3/27/2018

**APPEALED - 3/21/2017**

**IMPROPER CONDUCT OR LANGUAGE TO AN OFFICIAL**

Mr. Dowdall failed to conduct himself in a professional manner when he entered the test barn on 3/6/17 after his horse Lookinforadventure won the 9th race. He threatened the State Veterinarian regarding a matter that took place on 2/28/17. His action was against the best interest of racing. This type of intimidation can affect the integrity of racing. This ruling is referred to the OSRC for its consideration. O.S.R.C.-3769-12-26(A)(10) 12-28 12-99 14-28(C) 14-29(A) 14-99 3769-17-29(A)(7)&(10) 17-29(B)(4)&(5) 17-30(B) 17-33(A)&(B) 17-35 17-99 Subject is barred from all tracks governed by the OSRC during his suspension. Any horses under subject's care that he wants to transfer must be approved by the judges or the OSRC.

**Status as of 3/21/2017 - Appeal**

**HARTS, TWILA A**  
PcD on 8/20/2016

**AMBOY, IN** **YOB 1938**  
RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES)  
AS OF 3/20/2017

**FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE**

PA Code 58-183.2 Ms. Harts has failed to complete her licensing requirements in Pennsylvania for 2016. She is fined \$50.00 and suspended indefinitely until she pays her fine and completes her licensing requirements.

**Status as of 3/20/2017 - Subsequent Ruling - PA Code 58-183.256 Ms. Harts has paid her fine and completed her licensing requirements in Pennsylvania. She is restored to good standing as of 3/20/2017.**

**IRVINE, BRAD D**  
PHL on 10/12/2016

**MOUNTAINTOP, PA** **YOB 1971**  
HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 8,  
PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

**POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

CODE 58-183.352 183.354 183.355 183.357 183.336 Sample #311390 collected on 10/12/2016 from the horse Flight Deck N tested positive for Oxycodone. Brad Irvine as trainer is in violation of PHRC medication rules and the trainer responsibility rule. All purse money earned on 10/12/2016 must be returned within 10 days of ruling and redistributed. Transfers of horses must be approved by the Judges at Harrah's Chester or by the PHRC. All Fines must be paid within 10 days of ruling. Please note further that you have the right to appeal this decision in writing to the State Horse Racing Commission within ten (10) days after notice of this decision. The mailing address for an appeal is: The State Horse Racing Commission 2301 North Cameron Street Room 301 Harrisburg PA, 17110 ATTN: Brett Revington Phone (717) 787-5991

***Status as of 3/20/2017 - Subsequent Ruling - Ruling # 17013C The State Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Horse Racing, after taking into account mitigating circumstances and in consideration his withdrawal of his appeal of Harrah's Philadelphia Judges Ruling No. 16187CD, the ruling is hereby modified as follows: The fine and suspension imposed against Mr. Irvine is hereby rescinded. However, Mr. Irvine is not entitled to purse money and the purse shall be redistributed. Mr. Irvine has until March 31, 2017 to return said money.***

**LARE, KEVIN**  
PHL on 7/21/2016

**SEAFORD, DE** **YOB 1969**  
HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 7,  
PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

**POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE**

CODE 58-183.352 183.354 183.355 183.357 183.336 Sample #282927 collected on 7/21/2016 from the horse Keystone Rampage tested positive for Oxycodone. Kevin Lare as trainer is in violation of PHRC medication rules and the trainer responsibility rule. All purse money earned on 7/21/2016 must be returned within 10 days of ruling and redistributed. Transfers of horses must be approved by the Judges at Harrah's Chester or by the PHRC. All Fines must be paid within 10 days of ruling. Please note further that you have the right to appeal this decision in writing to the State Horse Racing Commission within ten (10) days after notice of this decision.

The mailing address for an appeal is: The State Horse Racing Commission  
2301 North Cameron Street Room 301 Harrisburg PA, 17110 ATTN: Fred  
Strathmeyer Phone (717) 787-5196

***Status as of 3/20/2017 - Subsequent Ruling - Ruling# 17014C The State  
Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Horse Racing, after  
taking into account mitigating circumstances and in consideration his  
withdrawal of his appeal of Harrah's Philadelphia Judges Ruling No.  
16159CD, the ruling is hereby modified as follows: The fine and  
suspension imposed against Mr. Lare is hereby rescinded. However,  
Mr. Lare is not entitled to purse money and the purse shall be  
redistributed. Mr. Lare has until March 31, 2017 to return said money.***

**ROBERTSON, BRITTANY M      PINEBUSH, NY      YOB 1991**  
**Mea on 3/14/2017      FINED: \$50**  
**INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF**  
**3/14/2017**

**FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE**

PA Code Title 58-183.267(8). Ms. Robertson failed to complete her  
licensing requirements in Pennsylvania in a timely manner. Ms. Robertson  
is hereby fined \$50, and suspended until such time she completes her  
licensing requirements with the PSHRC. The fine is due by March 25, 2017.  
Ms. Robertson has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania  
State Horse Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Racing. The  
address to appeal appears at the bottom of this ruling.

**PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS**

**HUCKABONE, JUSTIN VICTOR      UTICA, NY      YOB 1994**  
**MR on 2/8/2017      FINED: \$100**

**FAILURE TO KEEP A LINE IN EACH HAND**

While driving #2, "JACKS AFTER HOURS," in the 5th qualifier at Monticello  
Raceway on 2/8/17, you were in violation of the whipping rule (one-handing  
before the 3/4 pole)

**POLLIO, MICHAEL P      RANDOLPH, NJ      YOB 1964**  
**M on 3/9/2017      FINED: \$300**

**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

**SMITH, TYLER ALAN      WASHINGTON COURT HOU, OH YOB 1993**

**MVR** on 3/12/2017 FINED: \$300

**INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP**

Miami Valley Raceway O.S.R.C 3769-17-17.(A) Driver TYLER SMITH is hereby fined the sum of three-hundred dollars (\$300.00) and for a violation of Ohio State Racing Commission Rule 3769-17-17.(A). While driving No. 4 BODY OF WORK in the fifth race on March 13, 2017 at Miami Valley Raceway. Mr. Smith did move his arm in an exaggerated manner by using more than his wrist and elbow action during the third quarter. This is Mr. Smith's first such violation of the use of the whip rule within the last 365 days in the state of Ohio. All fines are due within forty eight hours.

**THARPS, THOMAS ERIC JR. KETTERING, OH YOB 1992**

**Nfld** on 3/11/2017 FINED: \$300

**EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP**

While driving #9 Betty Flynn in race 3 on 3/11/17 he did whip the horse in an exaggerated manner by raising his whipping arm above shoulder height. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-17(C) 17-99

**WALKER, PAUL M MONTICELLO, NY YOB 1965**

**MR** on 3/1/2017 FINED: \$100

**OTHER**

As driver of #4, "ART'S JIMMY RAY," in the 4th qualifier at Monticello Raceway, you were in violation of the whipping rule.

**PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES**

**ALLTOP, HARRY M URBANA, OH YOB 1937**

**MVR** on 3/13/2017 FINED: \$50

**OTHER**

**ATER, KYLE CLARKSBURG, OH YOB 1976**

**MVR** on 3/18/2017 FINED: \$50

**INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION**

**BEYER, TROY C ALLENTOWN, NJ YOB 1995**

**M** on 3/4/2017 FINED: \$200

**IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE**

**BIER, SEAN HARTLY, DE YOB 1975**

**DD** on 3/16/2017 FINED: \$300

	HORSE PLACED 9	
<b>IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE</b>		
<b>CARTER, WILLIAM D</b>	<b>PHILADELPHIA, PA</b>	<b>YOB 1971</b>
RcR on 3/19/2017	FINED: \$50	
	HORSE PLACED 5	
<b>FAILURE TO KEEP HOLE CLOSED</b>		
<b>FARMER, BILLY M</b>	<b>BOWLING GREEN, OH</b>	<b>YOB 1976</b>
Nfld on 11/29/2016	OTHER(AAL99) AS OF 3/14/2017	
<b>OTHER</b>		
<b>FINN, JARED D</b>	<b>NEWTON, IL</b>	<b>YOB 1987</b>
PPk on 3/12/2017	DRIVING - 10 DAYS, 3/14/2017 THRU	
	3/23/2017	
<b>INTERFERENCE CAUSING AN ACCIDENT</b>		
<b>GOODELL, ERIC C</b>	<b>MEADOW LANDS, PA</b>	<b>YOB 1973</b>
Mea on 3/13/2017	FINED: \$200	
	HORSE PLACED 5	
<b>INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOTHER HORSE TO MAKE A BREAK</b>		
<b>HUCKABONE, JUSTIN VICTOR</b>	<b>UTICA, NY</b>	<b>YOB 1994</b>
MR on 3/22/2017	FINED: \$100	
<b>FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED</b>		
<b>HYNES, TARA K</b>	<b>WILMINGTON, DE</b>	<b>YOB 1990</b>
M on 3/11/2017	FINED: \$100	
<b>LATE DRIVER CHANGE</b>		
<b>IRVINE, DONALD JR</b>	<b>PITTSTON, PA</b>	<b>YOB 1951</b>
Nfld on 3/13/2017	FINED: \$200	
<b>FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED</b>		
<b>KASH, KEITH J JR</b>	<b>MEDINA, OH</b>	<b>YOB 1979</b>
Nfld on 3/13/2017	FINED: \$100	
<b>JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS</b>		
<b>KING, KERRY L</b>	<b>LAUREL, DE</b>	<b>YOB 1946</b>
DD on 3/16/2017	FINED: \$100	
<b>HORSE LATE TO THE PADDOCK</b>		

<b>KOKINOS, JOHN J</b> M on 3/3/2017 <b>IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE</b>	<b>CAMPBELL HALL, NY</b> FINED: \$200	<b>YOB 1964</b>
<b>LITT, THOMAS</b> MVR on 3/18/2017 <b>LATE DRIVER CHANGE</b>	<b>BUCKEYE LAKE, OH</b> FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 1994</b>
<b>MILLER, MARCUS DREW</b> M on 3/11/2017 <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>STROUDSBURG, PA</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1989</b>
<b>MILLER, ROBIN L</b> Nfld on 3/8/2017 <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>NORTHFIELD, OH</b> FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 1963</b>
<b>NASON, STEVEN S</b> RcR on 3/21/2017 <b>CARRY A HORSE OUT</b>	<b>FREEDOM, NH</b> FINED: \$150 HORSE PLACED 7	<b>YOB 1990</b>
<b>PAGE, CHRIS L</b> MVR on 3/11/2017 <b>IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE</b> Nfld on 3/13/2017 <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>MT VERNON, OH</b> FINED: \$100 FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 1983</b>
<b>PALONE, DAVID M</b> Mea on 3/13/2017 <b>KICKING A HORSE</b>	<b>WASHINGTON, PA</b> FINED: \$250	<b>YOB 1962</b>
<b>ROBERTS, JONATHAN W</b> RcR on 3/19/2017 <b>FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS</b>	<b>DOVER, DE</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1981</b>
<b>TAGGART, JAMES R</b> MR on 3/22/2017 <b>INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION</b>	<b>MONTICELLO, NY</b> FINED: \$50	<b>YOB 1941</b>
<b>THARPS, THOMAS ERIC JR.</b> Nfld on 3/11/2017	<b>KETTERING, OH</b> FINED: \$100	<b>YOB 1992</b>



**CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE**

**WENGERD, JOHN D**

**Nfld** on 3/8/2017

**FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED**

**DUNDEE, OH**

**FINED: \$50**

**YOB 1986**

**WRIGHT, GREG D JR**

**Mea** on 3/14/2017

**INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION**

**HOUSTON, PA**

**FINED: \$200**

**YOB 1969**