

FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Feb 22 - Thu, Feb 28

PART ONE

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

BROOKS, JEFFREY R **OLEY, PA** **YOB 1957**
USTA on 2/25/2019 **INELIGIBLE(INE) AS OF 2/25/2019**
USTA MEMBERSHIP ACTION
Declared ineligible for membership for failure to answer correspondence regarding unpaid USTA advertising account.

HART, ANTHONY D **HONAKER, VA** **YOB 1969**
USTA on 2/25/2019 **DENIAL(DEN) AS OF 2/25/2019**
USTA MEMBERSHIP ACTION
Membership denied pursuant to the provisions of Article 1, Section 4(a) of the Association bylaws.

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.

ASHKAR, SUHEIL K **LIVERPOOL, NY** **YOB 1952**
Mea on 2/2/2019 **FINED: \$50**
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF
2/22/2019
FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE
PA Code Title 58-183.266, 183.267(8). Mr. Ashkar failed to complete his licensing requirements in Pennsylvania in a timely manner (fingerprints). Mr. Ashkar is hereby fined \$50, which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Ashkar is suspended indefinitely beginning February 22, 2019 until such time he completes his licensing requirements. During the term of suspension, Mr. Ashkar is banned from all racing activities otherwise permitted if properly licensed by the Commission. Mr. Ashkar has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania State Horse Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

DOROSZ, STEFAN
Fhld on 2/1/2019

PERKASIE, PA
FINED: \$500
FULL - 15 DAYS, 2/18/2019 THRU
3/4/2019

YOB 1945

OTHER

Stefan Dorosz was the programmed trainer of the horse "R SAM" which raced in the 5th race on February 1, 2019 at Freehold Raceway. Following the 5th race on February 1, 2019 the horse "R SAM" was required to submit blood samples for analysis. A report from Truesdail laboratories of the sample taken from the horse "R SAM" disclosed the presence of flunixin above the allowable limits. The horse "R SAM" finished 2nd and has been disqualified. All purse monies earned by "R SAM" on February 1, 2019 must be returned to the horseman's bookkeeper and redistributed accordingly. As a result, Mr. Dorosz is hereby fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars and issued a 15 day full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license. Mr. Dorosz has waived his right to a hearing with the Board of Judges, as well as his right to appeal, and will begin his suspension on February 18, 2019 and run through March 4, 2019, inclusive. During the period of suspension, Mr. Dorosz is denied access to

GARDNER, ANDY J
PcD on 10/20/2018

VERONA, NY
RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES)
AS OF 2/22/2019

YOB 1983

FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)

PA Code 58-183.256 Mr. Gardner has failed to pay his fine (Ruling #18070PD) in a timely manner. He is suspended indefinitely(full) starting on 10/20/18 and will remain suspended until he pays his fine.

Status as of 2/24/2019 - Subsequent Ruling - PA Code Title 58-183.269. Having paid his outstanding fine associated with Pocono Downs ruling number 18070PD, Mr. Gardner is hereby restored to good standing in Pennsylvania as of February 22, 2019.

HAGERMAN, HERMAN

MILLERSBURG, OH

**YOB
1971**

Nfld on 1/12/2019

FINED: \$1,000
FULL - 15 DAYS, 3/5/2019 THRU
3/19/2019
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Blood sample #846410 collected at Northfield Park on 1/12/19 from the horse Charmbo Blitz was found to contain dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) at a concentration of 285+-5 micrograms per milliliter of plasma. This exceeds the Regulatory Threshold of 10 micrograms per milliliter adopted by the OSRC. Furthermore, this blood sample was found to contain flunixin at a concentration of 22+-1 nanograms per milliliter of plasma, which exceeds the Regulatory Threshold of 20 nanograms per milliliter adopted by the OSRC. Urine sample #846410 was found to contain methocarbamol at a concentration of 2.2+0.2 micrograms per milliliter of urine. This exceeds the Regulatory Threshold of 1.0 microgram per milliliter adopted by the OSRC. All purse money must be returned for redistribution (\$2,250.00). O.S.R.C.-3769-18-01(B)(10)&(13) 18-02 18-99 17-30(B) 17-33 17-43 If the fine is not paid to the judges by 3/5/19 you may be suspended and or license revoked by the commission.

JONES, DANIEL T
Mea on 1/2/2019

LEWIS CENTER, OH **YOB 1963**
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF
2/25/2019

OTHER

PA Code Title 58-183.255(16). Mr. Jones is hereby issued an indefinite suspension in Pennsylvania as of February 25, 2019 until such time he meets with the Commission Investigators regarding questions on his license application. During the term of suspension, Mr. Jones is banned from all racing activities otherwise permitted if properly licensed by the Commission. Mr. Jones has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania State Horse Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

LITT, THOMAS
Nfld on 2/13/2019

BUCKEYE LAKE, OH **YOB 1994**
FINED: \$500
FULL - 180 DAYS, 2/19/2019 THRU
8/17/2019
APPEALED - 2/21/2019

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

On February 13, 2019 a search was conducted of the vehicle belonging to Thomas Litt. Mr. Litt was present during the search and a syringe containing fluid with a needle attached was found and also an empty syringe was in the vehicle. Mr.Litt was not truthful with investigators concerning the

whereabouts of his vehicle prior to the search. His action was against the best interest of racing. O.S.R.C.-3769-18-07(A) 18-99 17-30(B) 3769-12-26(A)(5)&(10) 12-99 If the fine is not paid to the judges by 2/28/19 you may be suspended and or license revoked by the commission. Mr. Litt is barred from all grounds governed by the OSRC during his suspension. Any horses under his care that he wants to transfer must be approved by the judges or the OSRC.

Status as of 2/21/2019 - Appeal

MCBETH, GREG ROBERT **BELLE VERNON, PA** **YOB UNKN**

Mea on 1/7/2019 INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 2/25/2019

OTHER

PA Code Title 58-183.255(16). Mr. McBeth is hereby suspended indefinitely in Pennsylvania as of February 25, 2019, until such time he meets with Commission Investigators regarding questions on his license application. During the term of suspension, Mr. McBeth is banned from all racing activities otherwise permitted if properly licensed by the Commission. Mr. McBeth has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania State Horse Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

MORGAN, ANTHONY N **WARWICK, MD** **YOB 1958**
PHL on 2/26/2019 INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 2/26/2019

FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)

PA Code Title 58-183.391. Mr. Morgan failed to pay his fines associated with Harrah`s Philadelphia Judges` Ruling Numbers 18161CD and 18165CD, totaling \$400. Mr. Morgan is hereby indefinitely suspended in Pennsylvania as of February 26, 2019 until such time he pays his outstanding fines. During the term of suspension, Mr. Morgan is banned from any racing activities in Pennsylvania otherwise permitted if properly licensed by the Commission. Mr. Morgan has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania State Horse Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

ODZA, BESIM **GARFIELD, NJ** **YOB 1999**
PHL on 2/26/2019 RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF 2/27/2019

FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)

PA Code Title 58-183.391. Mr. Odza failed to pay his fine in a timely manner in regards to Harrah`s Philadelphia Judges` Ruling number 18174CD, totaling \$500. Mr. Odza is hereby issued an indefinite suspension in Pennsylvania as of February 26, 2019 until such time he pays his outstanding fine. During the term of suspension, Mr. Odza is banned from all racing activities in Pennsylvania otherwise permitted if properly licensed by the Commission. Mr. Odza has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania State Horse Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

Status as of 2/28/2019 - Subsequent Ruling - PA Code Title 58-183.269. Having paid his outstanding fine, Mr. Odza is hereby restored to good standing in Pennsylvania as of February 27, 2019.

PATISTAS, LAURIE M
PcD on 9/16/2018

HAMBURG, NY **YOB 1973**
FINED: \$10,000
FULL - 365 DAYS, 3/9/2019 THRU
3/7/2020
HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 8,
PURSE REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

PA Code Title 58-183.336,183.352,183.355,183.357. Ms. Patistas was the trainer of record for FOX VALLEY INFERNO in the 5th Race at Pocono on September 16, 2018. Post race analysis of sample 339159 showed the presence of JWH-250 (synthetic cannabis), which was confirmed by split sample. FOX VALLEY INFERNO finished 1st and is placed 8th. The horse shall be ineligible to race until 4/28/19. Ms. Patistas is hereby fined \$10,000 and issued a full suspension for 365 days, beginning March 9, 2019 through and including March 7, 2020. She is ordered to return all purse monies earned from the above race and pay the fine within 10 days of this ruling. During the term of suspension, Ms. Patistas is ruled off all grounds under the jurisdiction of the PSHRC. Any trainer transfers of horses in her care must be approved by the PA Judges or PSHRC. Ms. Patistas has 10 days to appeal this ruling to the PSHRC, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

SAMPSON, ROBERT J
DD on 2/6/2019

MARYDEL, DE **YOB 1943**
FINED: \$500

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Robert Sampson Sr., being Trainer of Record on the horse Speeding Star, is fined \$500.00 for a positive test (Flunixin) in a Qualifying Race. Dover

Downs Blood Sample #H-00909 dated 2-6-19 contained 3255 nanograms of Flunixin per mml of plasma (see DHRC rules: 8.3.3.1.2; 8.3.3.3) All fines are to be paid within 10 days of written rule. All appeals are due within 48 hours of written rule.

Status as of 2/25/2019 - Subsequent Ruling - Robert Sampson Sr., being Trainer of Record on the horse SPEEDING STAR, is fined \$500.00 for a positive test (Flunixin) in a Qualifying Race. Dover Downs Blood Sample #H-00909 dated 2-6-19 contained 3,255 nanograms of Flunixin per mml of plasma. (See DHRC Rule: 8.3.3.1.2; 8.3.3.3) All fines are to be paid within 10 days of written rule. All appeals are due within 48 hurs of written rule.

SPAHR, RENEE A
PHL on 5/16/2017

EAST PROSPECT, PA **YOB 1975**
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF
5/16/2017
RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES)
AS OF 2/26/2019

FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

PA CODE 58-183.251 Failed to complete licensing requirements for 2017 in Pennsylvania. All fines due 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 2/26/2019 - Subsequent Ruling - RULING # 19003C On February 26, 2019, Renee Spahr paid the fine associated with Ruling No: 17018CD. Therefore, The State Horse Racing Commission hereby declares Renee Spahr as eligible for licensure.

YODER, JESSE D
Mea on 2/14/2019

BELL, FL **YOB 1998**
FINED: \$50
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF
2/20/2019

FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

PA Code Title 58-183.266,183.267(8). Mr. Yoder failed to complete his licensing requirements in a timely manner. He is hereby fined \$50, which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Yoder is hereby indefinitely suspended in Pennsylvania beginning February 20, 2019 until such time he completes

his licensing requirements and pays the fine. During the term of suspension, Mr. Yoder is banned from all racing activities otherwise permitted if properly licensed by the Commission. Mr. Yoder has 10 days to appeal this decision to the Pennsylvania State Horse Racing Commission, Bureau of Standardbred Racing.

PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

*** NO RECORDS FOUND ***

PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

BIER, SEAN DD on 2/18/2019 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED	DOVER, DE FINED: \$100	YOB 1975
COLLINS, DEAN T Mea on 2/19/2019 KICKING A HORSE	WASHINGTON, PA FINED: \$250	YOB 1957
CUCCIO, ANTHONY P MR on 2/27/2019 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	MONTGOMERY, NY FINED: \$50	YOB 1934
GIANNOULIS, HARALABOS PPk on 2/19/2019 FAILURE TO COME UP/STAY IN POSITION	MIDDLETOWN, NY FINED: \$50	YOB 1970
MEDORS, PATRICK S Mea on 2/19/2019 FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION	WASHINGTON, PA FINED: \$500	YOB 1954
PLUTA, KIM S Nfld on 2/19/2019 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED	JACKSON, MI FINED: \$50	YOB 1970
SANZERI, JOSEPH C PPk on 2/18/2019	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL FINED: \$50	YOB 1954

OTHER

SURICK, NICK

JACKSON, NJ

YOB 1988

MR on 2/26/2019

FINED: \$100

**FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE OR PROPER DECLARATION
INFORMATION**