



APPEAL DECISION

JARROD FRY

and

RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS

Date of Hearing: 5 January 2018

Heard By: Judge Bowman (Chair)

Appearances: James Hitchcock appeared on behalf of the stewards.
Matt Hyland appeared on behalf of Mr Fry.

At Kyneton on Saturday 23 December 2017, jockey Jarrod Fry was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount *Poppi Rox* in Race 6 the *bet365 F&M 0-58 Handicap* (1450m).

The careless riding being that passing the 900m he permitted his mount to shift in when not sufficiently clear of *C'mon Honey* resulting in that mare having to be checked to *Poppi Rox* heels. In issuing the charge Stewards acknowledge the racing manners of *C'mon Honey* leading up to the incident.

Mr Fry had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Wednesday, 27 December 2017 at to expire at midnight on Wednesday, 3 January 2018 – a total of 8 meetings (3 metro, 5 provincial).

In assessing penalty Stewards deemed the incident to be in the low range and took into account his good record.

A Notice of Appeal against the **decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on Sunday, 24 December 2017.

A stay of proceedings was granted effective to midnight Thursday, 4 January 2018.

DECISION: Appeal against decision dismissed.
Appeal against severity of penalty allowed.

Penalty varied to a period of suspension for 5 meetings, expiring at midnight on Monday, 8 January 2018.