



## APPEAL RESULT

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**FROM:** Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

**DATE:** 5 September 2012

**SUBJECT:** **APPEAL HEARING RESULT – APPRENTICE JOCKEY:  
BRADLEY WALLACE**

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**Panel** Judge Russell Lewis (Chair), Mr Geoff Ellis, Ms Claire Quin.

**Appearances** Mr Des O’Keeffe appeared on behalf of Mr Wallace.  
Mr Terry Bailey appeared on behalf of the Stewards.

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At Geelong Synthetic on Friday, 31 August 2012, apprentice jockey Bradley Wallace was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount *Royal Beluga* in Race 2 the *Health Medical Centre SV 3YO Fillies Maiden Plate* (1200m).

The careless riding being that approaching the 200m he angled his mount out permitting it to shift out into the running of *Biatreasure* when insufficiently clear resulting in *Biatreasure* being checked off the heels of *Court Order*.

Bradley Wallace had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Tuesday, 4 September 2012 and to expire at midnight on Saturday, 15 September 2012 - a total of 11 race meetings (4 city, 7 country).

In assessing penalty Stewards took into account Bradley Wallace’s good race riding record and that the incident was in the mid-range.

A Notice of Appeal against **the decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on Monday, 3 September 2012. A stay of proceedings was not requested.

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

**Penalty varied to a period of suspension for 7 race meetings.**

**TRANSCRIPT OF  
PROCEEDINGS**

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**RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD**

**HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.P.L. LEWIS, Chairman  
MR G. ELLIS  
MS C. QUIN**

**EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS**

**DECISION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE HEALTH MEDICAL CENTRE SV  
THREE-YEAR-OLD FILLIES MAIDEN PLATE OVER 1200 METRES  
AT GEELONG SYNTHETIC ON 31/8/12**

**APPRENTICE JOCKEY: BRADLEY WALLACE**

**MELBOURNE**

**WEDNESDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER 2012**

MR T. BAILEY appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards

MR D. O'KEEFFE appeared on behalf of the Appellant

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CHAIRMAN: In the appeal of Bradley Wallace, the Board feels that the Appellant was rather unlucky to have been found guilty of careless riding but sometimes bad luck does play its part and nothing can be done about it. When a horse is interfered with, such as Brad Rawiller's horse was, it is unfortunate but a fact of life that the Board is entitled to look at what caused all that to happen.

The Board feels that Bradley Wallace's mount was not travelling all that well and, in one sense, there was no real need for him to try and take the run he did because it was not going to feature in the race. However, he did shift ground, albeit having had a look, consistent with his obligations as a jockey. It was unfortunate for him and bad luck for him that Brad Rawiller's mount was astern more than two lengths but was finishing quickly and much more quickly relative to Bradley Wallace's mount. They are one of the things that happen in racing, but the obligation is on the rider to take a run when there is no danger of causing interference.

Having said that, the Board is of the view that Rawiller's mount did contribute to a small extent to the interference. For those reasons, the Board is of the view that the careless riding charge has been sustained but, in the Board's opinion, it should be classified as low range, rather than medium range.

Taking into account Bradley Wallace's good record and the contribution, unless Mr O'Keeffe wants to argue the question, the Board would be prepared to reduce the suspension of Bradley Wallace to seven meetings.

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