

## APPEAL RESULT

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

**DATE:** 24 July 2015

**SUBJECT:** **APPEAL HEARING RESULT – JUMPS JOCKEY: TOM RYAN**

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**Panel** Mr Brian Forrest (Deputy), Prof Raymond Harbridge, Dr June Smith.

**Appearances** Mr Des O’Keeffe appeared on behalf of Mr Ryan.  
Mr Rob Montgomery appeared on behalf of the stewards.

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At Racing.com Park Synthetic on Tuesday 21 July 2015, jumps jockey Tom Ryan was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount *Abichi* in Race 2 the *PakenhamRacing.com.au BM64 Highweight Handicap* (2200m).

The carelessness being that near the 300m he permitted his mount to shift out resulting in *Lacey’s Revenge*, which was racing to his outside, being hampered. In issuing the charge Stewards concede his mount was laying out however he failed to make sufficient effort to stop and straighten.

Mr Ryan had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Tuesday, 21 July 2015 and to expire at midnight on Sunday, 26 July 2015 – a total of 3 jumps races.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into account Tom Ryan’s good record and the races he will miss, his mount was laying out and that the incident was in the mid-range.

A Notice of Appeal against **the decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on Thursday, 23 July 2015. A stay of proceedings was not required.

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

**Penalty varied so that the period of suspension expires at midnight on Saturday, 25 July 2015 (1 jumps race).**