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APPEAL RESULT

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FROM: Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

DATE: 12 November 2013

SUBJECT: APPEAL HEARING RESULT – JOCKEY: JAKE NOONAN

<u>Panel</u> Judge Russell Lewis (Chair), Mr Jeremy Rosenthal, Mr Ron Taylor.

Appearances Mr Sam Hyland appeared on behalf of Mr Noonan.

Mr Terry Bailey appeared on behalf of the Stewards.

At Flemington on Saturday 9 November 2013, jockey Jake Noonan was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount *Supremacy (NZ)* in Race 3 the *Antler Luggage Handicap* (2000m).

The careless riding being that near the 1600 metres he permitted his mount to shift in when not clear of *Hioctdane*, resulting in *Hioctdane* shifting in crowding *Keep Cool (NZ)* and *Sharalam (IRE)*, which was tightened for room and became unbalanced.

Jake Noonan had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Monday, 11 November 2013 and to expire at midnight on Wednesday, 20 November 2013 - a total of 10 race meetings (2 metro, 8 provincial).

In assessing penalty the stewards were of the view that the incident qualified for the mid range category of carelessness and took into account his good record.

A Notice of Appeal against **the severity of the penalty** was lodged on Monday, 11 November 2013. A stay of proceedings was not requested.

DECISION: Appeal allowed.

Penalty varied – the period of suspension to now expire at midnight on

Monday, 18 November 2013 (8 meetings).

TRANSCRIPT OF

PROCEEDINGS

RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.P.L. LEWIS, Chairman MR J. ROSENTHAL MR R. TAYLOR

EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS

DECISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ANTLER LUGGAGE HANDICAP OVER 2000 METRES AT FLEMINGTON ON 9/11/13

JOCKEY: JAKE NOONAN

MELBOURNE

TUESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2013

MR T. BAILEY appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards

MR S. HYLAND appeared on behalf of the Appellant

CHAIRMAN: In this appeal, the Board agrees that the level of carelessness was in the medium range. However, the Board believes that it was in the lower registers of the medium range. The Board is also satisfied that the consequences of the shift by Jake Noonan were aggravated by the riding of Craig Williams. Therefore, we think that there was some contribution by Williams to the consequences of the total amount of interference.

In the circumstances then, the Board is of the opinion that the appeal succeeds to the extent the penalty should be varied, so that the period of suspension will expire at midnight, Monday, 18 November 2013.
