

APPEAL RESULT

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SUBJECT: **APPEAL HEARING RESULT – JOCKEY: JACK HILL**

Panel Judge Bowman (Chair).

Appearances Mr James Hitchcock appeared on behalf of the stewards.
Mr Des O’Keeffe appeared on behalf of Mr Hill.

At Terang on Thursday 4 February 2016, jockey Jack Hill pleaded guilty to two charges of careless riding on his mount *Lepaute* in Race 5 the *Twaddle Catering Handicap* (1000m).

In relation to the first charge, the careless riding being that near the 700m, J Hill carelessly permitted *Lepaute* to shift out when not sufficiently clear of *Dynamic Day* that has been checked, clipping heels, blundering and losing its rightful racing position.

In relation to the second charge, the careless riding being that near the 550m J Hill carelessly permitted *Lepaute* to shift in when not sufficiently clear of *Jayas Kiss* that has been checked, losing its rightful racing position.

In relation to both the first and charges Mr Hill had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Saturday, 6 February 2016 and to expire at midnight on Tuesday, 16 February 2016 – a total of 11 race meetings (3 metro, 8 provincial). Stewards ordered this penalty be served concurrently with the previous suspension imposed.

In assessing penalty for each charge Stewards took into account J Hill’s guilty plea, record, personal circumstances and deemed the incident to be in the mid-range.

A Notice of Appeal against **the severity of the penalty** was lodged on Sunday, 7 February 2016. A stay of proceedings was not requested.

DECISION: **Appeal against each charge dismissed.**
Penalty to remain standing.