



Appeal Result

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SUBJECT : **APPEAL HEARING RESULT: JOCKEY – LUKE NOLEN**

At Seymour on Tuesday 13th January 2009, jockey Luke Nolen pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding on his mount *Rose of Mooncoin* in Race 5 the *Wales Rural Trader 0-72 Handicap* (1612m).

The careless riding being that approaching the 50m he permitted his mount to shift in when not sufficiently clear of *Fixed Bayonets*, resulting in that gelding being tightened in onto *Sir Skalahad*, resulting in *Sir Skalahad* being inconvenienced and *Fixed Bayonets* then having to be eased and shift out to avoid the heels of *Rose of Mooncoin*.

Luke Nolen had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence midnight 24th January 2009 and to expire midnight 2nd February 2009 – a total of 3 metropolitan and 6 provincial meetings. In arriving at the penalty Stewards took into account L Nolen's guilty plea.

The suspension is to be served cumulatively with the suspension incurred by L Nolen at the Gold Coast races on January 10th 2009.

A Notice of Appeal against **the severity of the penalty** was lodged on Thursday 15th January 2009.

No application was made for a stay of proceedings.

DECISION: **Appeal allowed.**

Penalty Varied.

A partial cumulation of the suspension with 5 days to be served cumulatively; the suspension to now expire at midnight Thursday 29th January 2009.

Georgie Curtis
Registrar
Racing Appeals & Disciplinary Board