



Appeal Result

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FROM : Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

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SUBJECT : APPEAL HEARING RESULT: JOCKEY – CHRIS SYMONS

At Seymour on Tuesday 28 April 2009, RVL Stewards found jockey Chris Symons guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount *Whiskey in the Jar* in Race 6 the *Chatswood Stud 0-68 Handicap* (1309 metres).

The careless riding being that he allowed his mount to shift out near the 100m making heavy contact with *Apprehend*, resulting in that horse becoming unbalanced. In assessing penalty Stewards assessed the incident as medium range carelessness.

Chris Symons had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence midnight Thursday 30 April 2009 and to expire midnight Wednesday 13 May 2009, a total of 13 meetings (4 metropolitan, 9 provincial). Stewards took into account Chris Symons good record when assessing penalty.

A Notice of Appeal against **the decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on Wednesday 29 April 2009.

A stay of proceedings was granted effective to midnight Monday 4 May 2009.

DECISION: Appeal dismissed.

Penalty varied – suspension to now expire at midnight Sunday 10 May 2009.

Georgie Curtis

Registrar
Racing Appeals & Disciplinary Board

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

**HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.P.L. LEWIS, Chairman
MR C. ENRIGHT
MR D. McGEE**

DECISION

EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS

**IN THE MATTER OF THE SCHWEPPE'S 0-62 HANDICAP
OVER 1457 METRES AT KILMORE ON 10 NOVEMBER 2009**

JOCKEY: CARL SPRY

MELBOURNE

MONDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2009

MR D. TRIANDAFILLOU appeared on behalf of the Stewards

MR C. SPRY appeared on his own behalf

CHAIRMAN: In this case the board is satisfied that the stewards' decision was correct. The fact of the matter is that there was a run there for Kane Bradley's mount and as conceded by Mr Spry today, he did not realise he was there. Had he done so, he could have taken more care to avoid the shift. In the circumstances, the appeal against conviction is dismissed.

END OF EXTRACT