



**RACING APPEALS  
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**APPEAL DECISION**

**PATRICK PILLEY**

*and*

**RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS**

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**Date of Hearing:** 29 November 2016

**Panel:** Judge Bowman (Chair).

**Appearances:** Mr Brent Scarlett appeared on behalf of the stewards.  
Mr Des O'Keeffe appeared on behalf of Mr Pilley.

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At Moe on Tuesday 22 November 2016, apprentice jockey Patrick Pilley was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount *He's Henry* in Race 6 the *Stirloch BM58 Handicap* (1014m).

The careless riding being that near the 100 metres he permitted his mount to shift in tightening the running of *Our Jovanna* resulting rider Ibrahim Gundogdu having to take hold of the mare.

Mr Pilley had his permit to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Wednesday, 23 November 2016 and to expire at midnight on Wednesday, 30 November 2016 – a total of 8 race meetings (1 metro, 7 provincial).

In assessing penalty Stewards were of the view that the carelessness qualified for the low range and took into account his record.

A Notice of Appeal against **the decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on Thursday, 24 November 2016.

A stay of proceedings was granted effective until midnight on Monday, 28 November 2016.

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

**Taking into account the stay of proceedings (and noting that Mr Pilley did not ride on Sunday 27 November or Monday 28 November during the stay), the period of suspension will now expire at midnight on Saturday, 3 December 2016 - a total of 6 race meetings.**

**Georgie Gavin  
Registrar - Racing Appeals & Disciplinary Board**