

APPEAL RESULT

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FROM: Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

DATE: 26 November 2015

SUBJECT: **APPEAL HEARING RESULT – APPRENTICE JOCKEY: JORDAN CHILDS**

Panel Judge John Bowman (Chair), Mr Stephen Curtain & Mr Darren McGee.

Appearances Mr John Didham appeared on behalf of Mr Childs.
Mr Corie Waller appeared on behalf of the Stewards.

At Ballarat on Saturday 21 November 2015, apprentice jockey Jordan Childs was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount *Show A Star* in Race 6 the *IGA Liquor McKellar Mile* (1600m).

The carelessness being that near the 1200m he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of *Leica Day* resulting in *Leica Day* having to be restrained.

Mr Childs had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Tuesday, 24 November 2015 and to expire at midnight on Monday, 30 November 2015 – a total of 7 race meetings.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into account Jordan Childs' good record and that the incident was in the low range.

A Notice of Appeal against **the decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on Monday 23 November 2015.

A stay of proceedings was granted effective until midnight Wednesday, 25 November 2015.

DECISION: **Appeal dismissed**

**TRANSCRIPT OF
PROCEEDINGS**

RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

**HIS HONOUR JUDGE J. BOWMAN, Chairman
MR S. CURTAIN
MR D. McGEE**

EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS

DECISION

**IN THE MATTER OF THE IGA LIQUOR McKELLAR MILE
OVER 1600 METRES AT BALLARAT ON 21/11/15**

APPRENTICE JOCKEY: JORDAN CHILDS

MELBOURNE

THURSDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2015

MR C. WALLER appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards

MR J. DIDHAM appeared on behalf of the Appellant

CHAIRMAN: Jordan Childs, you have appealed against the finding that you were guilty of the charge of careless riding on your mount, Show A Star, in race 6 at Ballarat on 21 November. The Stewards suspended you for seven meetings and you are appealing against the decision and against the severity of the penalty.

We have viewed the patrol film and considered your submissions. We find the charge of careless riding has been made out. In our opinion, your mount crossed the horse ridden by Brad Rawiller without being sufficiently clear of it, this occurring over several strides near the 1200-metre mark. This caused Rawiller to pull his mount's head towards the rails, close to the horse ridden by John Allen on the inside of Rawiller's mount. You effectively admitted that you had cut Rawiller fine. Rawiller basically agreed with this, saying it was "a little bit fine" and that he was conscious of the riders on his inside.

It is clear to us that whatever the margin may have been between Rawiller's mount at the time of Show A Star crossing, it seemed to us to be little more than a length. It was clearly an unsafe manoeuvre. So the appeal against the decision is dismissed.

It is our view that we should not interfere with the penalty that was imposed. It seems to us to be a reasonable one in the circumstances. The appeal is dismissed.
