



**RACING APPEALS  
AND  
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**APPEAL DECISION**

**WILLIAM (BILLY) EGAN**  
*and*  
**RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS**

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**Date of Hearing:** 29 June 2016

**Panel** Judge Bowman (Chair).

**Appearances** Mr Geoff Hausfeld appeared on behalf of the stewards.  
Mr Des O'Keeffe appeared on behalf of Mr Egan.

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At Bendigo on Thursday 23 June 2016, jockey Billy Egan pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding on his mount *Betalyk* in Race 4 the *Rising Sun Hotel Maiden Plate* (1300m).

The carelessness being that approaching the 1000m he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of *Brother Adam* resulting in *Brother Adam* having to be restrained and losing its rightful running.

Mr Egan had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Sunday, 26 June 2016 and to expire at midnight on Sunday, 3 July 2016 – a total of 7 race meetings (2 metro, 5 provincial).

In assessing penalty Stewards took into account his guilty plea, overall good record and that the carelessness was in the low range and the racing manners of *Brother Adam*.

A Notice of Appeal against **the severity of the penalty** was lodged on Friday, 24 June 2016.  
A stay of proceedings was not requested.

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**DECISION:** **Appeal dismissed.**  
**Penalty to remain standing.**