

APPEAL RESULT

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FROM: Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

DATE: 27 January 2015

SUBJECT: **APPEAL HEARING RESULT – PICNIC JOCKEY: REECE GOODWIN**

Heard By Judge Russell Lewis (Chair).

Appearances Mr Goodwin appeared on his own behalf.
Mr Darren Triandafillou appeared on behalf of the stewards.

At Woolamai on Saturday 17 January 2015, picnic jockey Reece Goodwin was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount Soldier's Opera in Race 2 the 'Only a little bit over' Maiden Plate (1008m).

The careless riding being that he permitted his mount to shift in and unnecessary tightened the running of *First Position* resulting in *First Position* being checked.

Mr Goodwin had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Saturday, 17 January 2015 and to expire at midnight on Sunday, 31 January 2015 – 3 picnic race meetings.

A Notice of Appeal against **the decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on 19 January 2015.

A stay of proceedings was granted effective until midnight Monday, 26 January 2015.

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

Penalty varied to a period of suspension for 2 picnic race meetings.

**TRANSCRIPT OF
PROCEEDINGS**

RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.P.L. LEWIS, Chairman

EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS

DECISION

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ONLY A LITTLE BIT OVER
MAIDEN PLATE OVER 1008 METRES AT WOOLAMAI ON 17/1/15**

PICNIC JOCKEY: REECE GOODWIN

MELBOURNE

TUESDAY, 27 JANUARY 2015

MR D. TRIANDAFILLOU appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards

MR R. GOODWIN appeared on his own behalf

CHAIRMAN: The Stewards have established that Mr Goodwin did ride carelessly, but the films are a little inconclusive. They are not the ideal shots. We do not have a really good side-on and we do not have a really good head-on. So in the circumstances, taking that into account, which goes to the significance of the interference and taking into account the Appellant's good record, the Board is prepared to vary the penalty by reducing the period of suspension to two meetings and not three.
