

RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

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APPEAL DECISION

BRAD RAWILLER

and

RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS

Date of Hearing: 30 August 2016

<u>Heard By:</u> Mr Brian Forrest (Deputy Chair), Mr Darren McGee.

Appearances: Mr Terry Bailey appeared on behalf of the stewards.

Mr Rawiller appeared on his own behalf.

At Caulfield on Saturday 27 August 2016, jockey Brad Rawiller pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding on his mount *Black Heart Bart* in Race 7 the *New Zealand Bloodstock Memsie Stakes* (1400m).

The careless riding being that near the 1100 metres he permitted his mount to shift in to gain a position one off the fence behind *Rising Romance* and in doing so caused crowding to *Alpine Eagle*, resulting in alpine Eagle being taken in off its course and tightening the running of *Sofia Rosa* and *Prince Of Penzance* (NZ) resulting in *Sophia Rosa* being checked and *Prince of Penzance* hampered.

Stewards ordered that the matter of penalty be set aside for determination after a decision is reached with his pending appeal hearing on Monday 29 August, 2016.

Mr Rawiller's licence to ride in races was subsequently suspended from midnight Saturday, 3 September to midnight Saturday, 10 September 2016 – a total of 7 race meetings.

A Notice of Appeal against the **severity of the penalty** was lodged on Monday, 29 August 2016.

DECISION: Appeal dismissed. Penalty to remain standing.

Georgie Gavin Registrar - Racing Appeals & Disciplinary Board