



APPEAL DECISION

BRAD RAWILLER and RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS

Date of Hearing: 23 October 2017

Heard By: Judge Bowman (Chair)

Appearances: Darren Triandafillou appeared on behalf of the stewards.
Brad Rawiller appeared on his own behalf.

At Moe on Thursday 19 October 2017, jockey Brad Rawiller pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding on his mount *Articus* in Race 7 the *Nextra Moe Cup* (2050m).

The careless riding being that passing the 500 metres he permitted his mount to shift out from behind *Mr Wonderful* where there was insufficient room to do so between that gelding and *Strong Hand* forcing *Strong Hand* out off its rightful running, making contact with that gelding resulting in *Strong Hand* becoming unbalanced.

Brad Rawiller had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Saturday, 21 October 2017 and to expire after the day meeting on Friday, 3 November 2017 – a total of 14 race meetings (2 metro, 12 provincial).

In assessing penalty the Stewards were of the view that the incident qualified for the high-range category of carelessness and took into account his guilty plea and good record.

A Notice of Appeal against **the severity of the penalty** was lodged on Thursday, 19 October 2017. A stay of proceedings was not requested.

DECISION: Appeal dismissed.
Penalty to remain standing.