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APPEAL DECISION

JAMIE MOTT
and
RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS

Date of Hearing: 14 July 2016

Heard By: Judge Bowman (Chair).

Appearances: Mr Darren Triandafillou appeared on behalf of the Stewards.
Mr Des O'Keefe appeared on behalf of Mr Mott.

At an adjourned inquiry at Warrnambool on Sunday 10 July, jockey Jamie Mott was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on his mount *Venetor* in Race 4 the *Foodworks Sale Maiden Plate* (1400m) at Sale on Sunday, 3 July 2016.

The particulars of the charge are that J Mott, rider of *Venetor*, permitted his mount to shift out whilst riding it along on straightening and took *Newark Torc* out across the running of *Ally's Reward* resulting in that filly being checked and *Newark Torc* being taken out and hampered. In issuing the charge Stewards noted in the lead up to the incident there was a slight shift from *Irish Ozzie* which was taken out slightly by runners to its inside and that *Ally's Reward* had taken a tight run prior to the incident.

J Mott had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence midnight 10 July 2016 and conclude midnight 17 July 2016, a total of 7 race meetings (2 metro, 5 provincial).

In assessing penalty Stewards took into account his reasonably good record and viewed the carelessness to be low grade. Stewards also took into account the circumstances in the lead up to the incident

A Notice of Appeal against **the decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on Monday, 11 July 2016. A stay of proceedings was not requested.

DECISION: Appeal dismissed. Penalty to remain standing

Georgie Gavin
Registrar - Racing Appeals & Disciplinary Board

**TRANSCRIPT OF
PROCEEDINGS**

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HIS HONOUR JUDGE J. BOWMAN, Chairman

EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS

DECISION

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FOODWORKS SALE
MAIDEN PLATE OVER 1400 METRES AT SALE ON 3/7/16**

RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS

and

JAMIE MOTT

MELBOURNE

THURSDAY, 14 JULY 2016

MR D. TRIANDAFILLOU appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards

MR D. O'KEEFFE appeared on behalf of the Appellant

CHAIRMAN: Mr Jamie Mott has pleaded not guilty to a charge of careless riding in race 4 at Sale on 3 July 2016. He was riding the ultimate winner, Venator, in the event. It was a maiden of 1400 metres. It is alleged that he allowed his mount to shift out on straightening, effectively causing interference to Newark Torc, ridden by Ryan Maloney, and Ally's Reward, ridden by Jake Bayliss. There had been an arguably slight shift but certainly a shift from Irish Ozzie, ridden by Patrick Keane, which was on the inside of Venator.

The essence of the Stewards' charge is that whilst there was a slight outward shift by Patrick Keane, Mr Mott continued to ride out his horse which was going well, riding him along and moving out further. Mr Mott essentially argued that he was put on an outward course by Patrick Keane's mount and he could not have done any more.

On Mr Mott's behalf, Mr O'Keeffe emphasised that there had been a shift from the inside, effectively originating from the horse ridden by Dale Smith, which caused the horse ridden by Daniel Moor to turn outwards, in turn causing Patrick Keane's mount to shift out into Mr Mott's path. It was submitted that it was a racing incident and there was nothing more that Mr Mott could have done.

I have viewed the patrol video. There was quite a lot going on as the horses straightened. However, I am of the opinion that there is force in Mr Triandafillou's argument that Mr Mott continued to ride his horse out in order to take a run outside Patrick Keane's mount and in so doing, tightened

Ryan Maloney's mount onto that of Jake Bayliss. Jake Bayliss may have been taking a somewhat ambitious run, but Ryan Maloney's mount was effectively forced onto that of Bayliss, causing quite marked interference to that horse.

I am of the view that Mr Mott was careless in continuing to ride out his mount, thus forcing Ryan Maloney's mount onto that of Jake Bayliss, so I find the charge proven.

I appreciate that the ranges are a tool, if you like, used by the Stewards so that there is some consistency in penalty, so people know what to expect. But however it is viewed, it seems to me that the seven-meeting penalty was an appropriate penalty. I appreciate that Mr Mott may be missing out on a good ride because of the seven, I understand that, but the penalty seemed to be an appropriate one. The appeal is dismissed.
