



APPEAL DECISION

JACKIE BERIMAN *and* RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS

Date of Hearing: 12 April 2017

Heard By: Judge Bowman (Chair).

Appearances: Mr Rob Montgomery appeared on behalf of the stewards.
Mr Des O'Keeffe appeared on behalf of Ms Beriman.

At Geelong on Tuesday 4 April 2017, jockey Jackie Beriman was found guilty of a charge of careless riding on her mount *My Naughty Hoaks* in Race 5 the *Rex Gorell Family Group F&M BM64 Handicap* (1525m).

The carelessness being that near the 1400m she permitted her mount to shift in when not sufficiently clear of *Roldana (NZ)* which had to be checked. In issuing the charge, Stewards acknowledge *Roldana (NZ)* was over-racing.

Ms Beriman had her licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Wednesday, 12 April 2017 and to expire at the completion of the day meeting on Thursday, 20 April 2017 - a total of 8 race meetings (2 metro, 6 provincial) to be served cumulatively with the suspension incurred at Cranbourne on 31 March.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into account her overall good record, *Roldana (NZ)* was over-racing, the carelessness was in the mid-range and made deductions so as not to make her overall time of suspension excessive.

A Notice of Appeal against the severity of the penalty was lodged on Friday, 7 April 2017. A stay of proceedings was not requested.

DECISION: Appeal dismissed. Penalty to remain standing.