

Auckland RC 24 January 2016 - R 6 - Chair, Mr A Dooley

Rules:

[638\(1\)\(d\)](#)

Name(s):

Mr R Norvall - Rider of NEALA
Mr A Coles - Stipendiary Steward

Charge:

Facts:

admitted

Following the running of race 6, Hallmark Stud Mile, an Information was filed pursuant to Rule 638 (1)(d). The Informant, Mr Oatham, alleged that near the 1400metres Mr Norvall allowed his mount NEALA to shift in when not sufficiently clear of LUCKY SWEEP (S Spratt) and SPAWN OF ELAIA (S Collett) which were both checked.

Mr Norvall acknowledged that he understood the Rule and confirmed his admission of the breach.

Rule 638(1) (d) provides: *A Rider shall not ride a horse in a manner which the Judicial Committee considers to be careless.*

Mr Coles demonstrated on the video films that 200 metres after the start Mr Norvall shifted in on an acute angle when not the required distance clear of LUCKY SWEEP and SPAWN OF ELAIA. He said Ms Spratt was dictated in onto Ms Collett's mount and stated the incident cost both horses 2 to 3 lengths. He added that Mr Norvall did make an attempt to straighten his mount but this was too late.

Mr Norvall said the films were self-explanatory and admitted that he reacted too late to avoid the interference.

Decision:

As Mr Norvall admitted the breach the Committee find the charge proved.