

Gore RC 21 January 2017 - R 8 - Chair, Prof G Hall

Rules:

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

Name(s):

Ms E Farr - Apprentice Jockey

Mr C Johnson - Licensed Jockey assisting Ms Farr

Mr J McLaughlin - Stipendiary Steward

Charge:

Facts:

admitted

Mr Davidson alleged that Ms Farr in race 8, the LIQUORLAND GORE GUINEAS, allowed her mount WONDER WOMAN to shift inwards near the 150 metres when not clear of STROWAN (S Muniandy), which was checked.

Mr McLaughlin, Stipendiary Steward, demonstrated on the videos that Mr Callaway on WHAT CHOUX WANT was laying in up the straight and immediately prior to the 150 metres. He had thus placed some pressure on the respondent. He had then straightened his mount. The respondent, who was racing inside Mr Callaway and outside Mr Muniandy, then gave her mount 3 strikes with the whip whilst her horse was shifting ground inwards. There was a further strike to the horse but by this time Mr Muniandy had taken a strong hold of STROWAN and had then taken a run to the outside of WONDER WOMAN. He emphasised Ms Farr was not her length and another clear when she had shifted ground.

Mr Davidson said he accepted WONDER WOMAN had initially shied away from WHAT CHOUX WANT but Ms Farr had continued to use her whip when WONDER WOMAN was shifting inwards into the line of Mr Muniandy.

Ms Farr said WONDER WOMAN had shifted in when she first used the whip and she had only hit the horse twice when it was shifting ground. She said there was no yelling and she was not aware that Mr Muniandy was there. At the Committee's request Mr Davidson rewound the videos which clearly demonstrated that Mr Muniandy was racing to the inside of the respondent for some distance before the incident in question. Ms Farr responded that she thought she had gone past Mr Muniandy and was therefore not causing interference. She added her filly was responding and was hitting the line well.

Mr Johnson emphasised that WONDER WOMAN was running away from WHAT CHOUX WANT. The filly was pretty green in his opinion.

Decision:

As the respondent has admitted the breach, we find the breach proved.