

Greymouth JC 5 January 2020 - R 2 - Chair, Mr S Ching

Rules:

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

Name(s):

Miss S Wynne - Licensed Class A Jockey
Mr J Oatham - Chief Stipendiary Steward

Charge:

Facts:

denied

Following the running of Race 2 an Information was filed by Stipendiary Steward, Mr M Davidson, against Class A Licensed jockey, Miss S Wynne, the rider of SECRET RUNNER, in that she permitted her mount to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear dictating ELVA inwards crowding MAGICAL MYSTERY which was checked passing the 1400m.

Rule 638(1)(d) reads as follows;

*“(1) A Rider shall not ride a horse in a manner which the Judicial Committee considers to be:
(d) careless”*

Miss Wynne had indicated on the Information that this breach of the Rules was not admitted, and she confirmed this at the hearing. Miss Wynne also agreed that she understood the charge and the Rule it was brought under.

Mr Davidson gave evidence and used video coverage with the assistance of Chief Stipendiary Steward, Mr J Oatham, to show that shortly after the start SECRET RUNNER, ridden by Miss Wynne, who had drawn 6 at the barrier, was racing on the outside of ELVA, ridden by Mr R Mudhoo, who had drawn position 5 at the barrier with MAGICAL MYSTERY, ridden by Mr K Chowdhoo, who had drawn the number 3 stall. Near the 1400m and using the head on and side on films, Mr Oatham demonstrated Miss Wynne commencing to shift in and apply pressure to Mr Mudhoo when only ½ to ¾ of a length ahead of him, who was dictated inwards into the line Mr Chowdhoo, who was ¾ of a length back on Mr Mudhoo. Mr Oatham pointed out Mr Mudhoo, who took a hold and steadied when he was being forced inwards into the line of Mr Chowdhoo with Mr Chowdhoo, placed in restricted room, eventually running out of racing room and checking.

Mr Mudhoo was called as a witness and stated that Miss Wynne had put pressure on him and dictated him inwards onto and into Mr Chowdhoo's rightful line. Mr Mudhoo added that he called to Miss Wynne as the incident was unfolding.

Mr Chowdhoo was also called as a witness and stated that all the pressure came from the outside which was Miss Wynne putting pressure on Mr Mudhoo. Mr Chowdhoo confirmed that he also called out as the pressure from the outside was being applied.

Miss Wynne's defence was that she believed that she was just following Mr Mudhoo across and when he started to ease it just left her out there. She said that thereafter she continued across, believing she was clear, to take up the lead position. She stated that she was anticipating that Mr Mudhoo would continue on forward to take up a lead or handy position over the early stages.

Decision:

We carefully considered all the evidence presented by the Stewards, their witnesses and Miss Wynne. The Committee were satisfied that near the 1400m, Miss Wynne, when not clear of Mr Mudhoo, shifted inwards and dictated him in onto Mr Chowdhoo, who was placed in restricted room, eventually having to check. We found the film and witness evidence convincing and Miss Wynne's defence without foundation. We determined that Miss Wynne had ridden carelessly on this occasion and therefore found the charge proved.

The charge was found to be proved.