

Hawke's Bay RI 1 January 2020 - R 7 - Chair, Mr T Utikere

Rules:

638(1)(d)

Name(s):

Ms H Andrew - Licensed Rider
Mr N Goodwin - Stipendiary Steward

Charge:

Facts:

admitted

Following the running of Race 7 (NZB Insurance Pearl Series Race), Information A11632 was filed with the Judicial Committee. It alleged a breach of Rule 638(1)(d), in that: "...Holly Andrew (VROOM) allowed her mount to shift inwards in the home straight tightening BALL GOWN (D Bradley) and ALEXANDRITE (L Allpress)".

Rule 638(1)(d) states:

"A Rider shall not ride a horse in a manner which the Judicial Committee considers to be: ... (d) careless."

Ms Andrew confirmed that she understood the Rule and admitted the breach.

Using the head-on, side-on and rear-view films Mr N Goodwin identified Ms Andrew on VROOM with Mr Bradley (BALL GOWN) to her inside and Mrs Allpress (ALEXANDRITE) inside of Mr Bradley. He described VROOM laying-in in the home straight with Ms Andrew doing very little to counteract that action. She had moved some five to six horse widths while still pushing and using her whip, and in the process had caused tightening to Mr Bradley and Mrs Allpress. Mr Goodwin submitted that while there had been tightening, those runners were not required to check as a result.

Ms Andrew had no comments to make regarding the films or Mr Goodwin's interpretation.

Decision:

As the charge was admitted, the Committee deem the charge to be proved.