

## Timaru RC 3 April 2019 - R 7 - Chair, Mr S Ching

### Rules:

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

### Name(s):

S Toolooa-Class B Rider  
K Hughes Licensed Trainer  
Mr N McIntyre - Stipendiary Steward

### Charge:

### Facts:

admitted

Following the running of Race 7, the Inglewood Stud Maiden 1600, an Information was filed by Stipendiary Steward, Mr M Davidson, against Class B Rider, Mr S Toolooa alleging careless riding in that he permitted his mount, ELIZA LONG, to shift inward near the 1000m causing ROCKWITHME, ridden by Mr K Mudhoo to be checked and steadied.

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

*(d) careless”*

Mr Toolooa had indicated on the Information that this breach of the Rules was admitted, which he confirmed at the hearing. Mr Toolooa also agreed that he understood the charge and the Rule it was brought under. Mr K Hughes, Licensed Trainer, assisted Mr Toolooa at the hearing.

Mr Davidson gave evidence and used video coverage, with the assistance of Stipendiary Steward, Mr N McIntyre, to show that nearing the 1000m, ELIZA LONG, ridden by Mr Toolooa, was racing approximately 3 off the rail and in the trail of KING OF THE DANCE, ridden by Miss J Fawcett, who was improving forward and shifting inwards to take up a one off position. He pointed out Mr Toolooa following Miss Fawcett across and in doing so was not sufficiently clear of ROCKWITHME, ridden by Mr Mudhoo, who had to check. Mr McIntyre stated that Mr Toolooa was only a bare length ahead of Mr Mudhoo when shifting into his racing line.

Mr Hughes stated that Mr Toolooa was unfortunate in that he was riding a horse with a bit of a reputation from the North Island. He said that Mr Toolooa was doing his best to hold the horse out as the horse was hanging in and trying to shift into the gap in front of it. He said that ELIZA LONG had dropped her rider in the birdcage at it's last start and was a difficult horse to handle.

Mr Toolooa stated that ELIZA LONG was hanging in and he had tried to keep the horse out. Mr Davidson replied that Mr Toolooa did try and straighten his mount, but it was already too late, and the damage was done.

### Decision:

As Mr Toolooa had admitted the breach, the charge was found proved.