

Canterbury R 4 December 2015 - R 6 - Chair, R McKenzie

Rules:

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

Name(s):

J R Lowry
Licensed Apprentice Jockey (Class B)
Willie Harnett
Apprentice Jockey Mentor
Mr J M McLaughlin - Stipendiary Steward

Charge:

Facts:

admitted

Following the running of Race 6, Accessman City Maiden, an information was filed by Stipendiary Steward, Mr J P Oatham, against Licensed Apprentice Jockey (Class B), Mr J R Lowry, alleging that Mr Lowry, as the rider of PROSPERITY in the race, "shifted inwards approaching the 1000 metres causing VELLUTO (S T Collett) to be checked and PATRICKTHEUNICORN (T M Direen) to be crowded".

Mr Lowry was present at the hearing of the information and he indicated that he admitted the breach. Mr Lowry was assisted at the hearing by Apprentice Jockey Mentor, Mr Willie Harnett.

Rule 638 provides as follows:

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

(d) careless.

Mr Oatham had Stipendiary Steward, Mr J M McLaughlin, show video replays of the incident after approximately 600 metres of the 1600 metres race, approaching the bend out of the back straight. He pointed out PROSPERITY, ridden by Mr Lowry, racing 3-wide and progressing forward to the outside of VELLUTO (S C Collett). Mr Lowry then took a hold of his mount and shifted inwards. Miss Collett was unable to relieve the pressure as Mr Lowry shifted across to the one-out line and she was forced to heavily restrain and was checked. Mr Lowry was barely a length in front of Miss Collett, Mr McLaughlin submitted.

Mr Lowry said that the video was "pretty clear" and he was experienced enough to know better and to carry on before easing up, he said. He said that he had been clear but had inconvenienced the runners behind him.

Mr Harnett submitted that Mr Lowry was clearing the inside runners but needed to continue forward for several more strides.

Decision:

Mr Lowry having admitted the breach, the charge was found proved.