

# **RACING APPEALS TRIBUNAL**

RAT 12/2020

**DATE OF HEARING:** TUESDAY 15 DECEMBER 2020

**TRIBUNAL:** **PRESIDENT:** MR T ANDERSON, QC

**ASSESSOR:** MR G PRETTY

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**CHAIR OF STEWARDS:** MR J PETZER, THOROUGHBRED  
RACING SA LTD

**APPELLANT:** MS A JORDSJO

IN THE MATTER of an Appeal by **MS ANNA JORDSJO** against a decision of Thoroughbred Racing SA Ltd Stewards.

**BREACH OF RULE:** AR 131(a)

A rider must not, in the opinion of the Stewards:

(a) engage in careless, reckless, improper, incompetent or foul riding;

**PENALTY:** SUSPENSION OF LICENCE TO RIDE FOR 3 RACE DAYS

## **DETERMINATION**

Ms Anna Jordsjo is a licensed jockey. She was suspended by the Thoroughbred Racing SA Stewards for 3 meetings for careless riding in Race 4 at Murray Bridge on 6 December 2020.

Ms Jordsjo pleaded not guilty at the Stewards Inquiry and appeals against both the conviction and the severity of the penalty.

The particulars provided by the Stewards in support of the charge were as follows:

*“that you, Anna Jordsjo, the rider of NANA DULCE at Murray Bridge on Sunday the 6 of December 2020 in Race 4 have, in the vicinity of the 200 metres, allowed your mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of CARRY THE MUSKET, ridden by Dylan Caboche, resulting in Dylan Caboche having to take hold and shift out to avoid the heels of your mount.*

At the Tribunal hearing Ms Jordsjo was represented by her manager, Mr Dean Pettit.

At the Tribunal hearing all angles of the race vision were viewed several times.

The race vision of the incident shows that there was a clear rails run available to Mr Caboche to the inside of the Appellant but he was impeded by the Appellant's horse shifting in, thus taking his ground.

Ms Jordsjo submitted that she received no call from Mr Caboche and as such, changed her running line. The Stewards' response was that, whilst good practice, there is no obligation on a rider to 'call' when being tightened, and the obligation is on the rider changing their running line to look to ensure that is safe to do so.

The Appellant conceded that she should have looked to her left before changing her line.

Taking the line of Mr Caboche did amount to careless riding, albeit, on this occasion, it was in the mid to low range of seriousness.

The Stewards correctly found Ms Jordsjo guilty of the charge and the 3 meeting suspension was appropriate.

Ms Jordsjo has a very good riding record, and the Tribunal took this into account.

However, the Tribunal finds no ground to interfere with the decision of the Stewards.

The appeal is dismissed.

The suspension will begin at midnight on Wednesday 23 December and expire at midnight on Thursday 31 December 2020.

I order repayment of that portion of the bond to which the Appellant is entitled.