DECISION Protest

Event: 2018 Etchells World Championships Race Number: 3 Hearing Date: 2018-10-24

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: ETCHELLS - GBR 1329 - Stampede - Robert Goddard

Respondent(s): ETCHELLS - AUS 994 - Crews Control - Paul Minter

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

- 1. AUS 994 (protestee) did not come to the hearing and the hearing proceeded under RRS 63.3(b).
- 2. GBR 1329 approached the windward mark on starboard tack close hauled.
- 3. AUS 994 approached the windward mark on port tack close hauled.
- 4. GBR 1329 altered course to leeward on two separate occasions.
- 5. AUS 994 commenced a tack onto starboard.
- 6. Prior to AUS 994 completing her tack, GBR 1329 altered course to windward slightly.
- 7. A member of the crew of AUS 994 swore during the incident.
- 8. There was no contact between the boats and neither boat performed an alternative penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

As the right of way boat altering course, GBR 1329 gave AUS 994 room to keep clear. No rule is broken.

DECISION

Protest Dismissed.

Date & Time: 2018-10-24 20:42 AEST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Philippe Mazard (FRA) Committee Members: Jerrold Ng (SGP), Patricia Stadel (USA), Rosemary Collins (AUS), Nev Willis (AUS)

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