

DECISION

Request No.: 05

Protest

Event: 2024 J70 NSW and Australian Championships Race Number: 5
Hearing Schedule: 2024-01-21 10:00

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 05: J70 - Australian Championships - 1319 - Joust - Aaron Linton

J70 - Australian Championships - Bow 41 - Swish - Billy Sykes

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

1. AUS 1319 was represented by Aaron Linton.
2. AUS 82 was represented by Billy Sykes.
3. Rod Warren (helm of 1319) attended the hearing as a witness for 1319.

FACTS FOUND

1. The wind was 8-10kts
2. At Mark 2, 1319 was clear ahead of 82.
3. Both boats were on starboard tack.
4. During the hoist of 82's spinnaker her pole created a leeward overlap with 1319.
5. The helmsman of 1319 thought a collision was imminent.
5. 1319 altered course to windward to avoid a potential contact between her hull and 82's spinnaker pole.
6. 82 subsequently bore away and gybed.
7. There was no contact.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 12

1. 82 clear astern failed to keep clear of 1319 clear ahead, and broke RRS 12.

DECISION

82 is DSQ in race 5.

Date & Time: 2024-01-20 11:13 AEDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type: Protest Committee

Chaired By: Ed Vincent (AUS)

Committee Members: Howard Elliott (AUS), Frederick Haes (AUS)