



# DBSC 2025

## Scoring Inquiry

**Race Date: 2025-07-27**

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**Request No.: 46**

**Course: Saturday 26/7/25**

**Race No.: 13**

**Posted Score: 6. - 20% penalty**

**Competitor: Cruisers 5 - IRL IRL1315 - FORTITUDINE - David Clarke**

### Scoring Inquiry:

The results for Saturday 27 June 2025 show us being awarded a 20% time penalty. On enquiry through the DBSC system I have been advised that this is for crossing the hut finishing line.

I have spoken with 2 of my crew who have confirmed my memory of yesterday.

At no stage yesterday, either before during or after the race, did we approach, let alone cross, the hut finishing line.

The start line was laid north/north-east of the hut starting area. On our first beat we were always west and/or north of turning mark and thus were never in the vicinity of the hut starting area. The course did not include any marks which brought us anywhere near the hut starting area. The final leg was a beat from east mark to the finish line laid off the harbour mouth. Approaching the line to finish we were always to seaward of the other boats in our class and thus we could not have crossed the hut finish line without them also having done so. After finishing we sailed directly in to the harbour without going anywhere remotely near to the hut finish line.

I wish to appeal this penalty as it has been applied in error.

Thank you,

David Clarke

### Witnesses:

Henry Rook Susan Halpenny

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### Response:

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*Response By Therese Tyrrell Printed at 2025-08-01  
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