

CYCA 2015 WEDNESDAY TWILIGHT SERIES

Protest No: 1

Division D

Race No: 7

Moya 6730 v Astraea 3942 Astraea 3942 v Moya 6730

Hearing at the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia on the 26th November 2015.

Protest Committee: Lister Hughes, Karl Garavan and John Kirkjian,

Moya was represented by S. Watson
Astraea was represented by S. Birdsall.

FACTS FOUND

1. As both protests related to the same incident they were heard together with the consent of all parties.
2. The protest was declared valid in accordance with RRS 61.1(a)(4) as there had been a collision between the yachts causing damage that was obvious to both parties and one of the parties intends to protest.
3. The wind was from the SSW at approximately 15/18 knots
4. Both Moya and Astraea were approaching the Point Piper mark both two sail reaching on port tack.
5. Six boat lengths from the Point Piper Mark Moya was overlapped to windward of Astraea and separated by three metres.
6. When Moya entered the three boat length zone she was still to windward and overlapped on Astraea.
7. Moya acknowledged that Astraea was entitled to mark room.
8. Astraea called for more room and Moya replied "hold your course"
9. Before Astraea could pass the Point Piper mark a collision occurred between the port side of Astraea approximately one metre from the bow and the starboard aft quarter of Moya causing damage.
10. Neither Moya or Astraea took an alternative penalty.
11. Both boats continued racing.

CONCLUSION

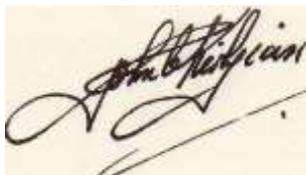
1. Moya as the outside overlapped boat failed to give Astraea the inside boat room at the Point Piper Mark.
2. It was not reasonably possible for Astraea to avoid contact with Moya,

RULES APPLICABLE:

RRS: 14(a), 18.2(b), 61.1(a)(4) Definition of Mark Room.

DECISION:

Moya is to be scored DSQ in Race 7



Chairman