

RSYS Protest Committee Decision

Division1 RSYS Summer series 21 January 2017

Race 17

Request for redress by I Super heard at RSYS at 1830 1 February

Parties

Race committee represented by David Ritchard

I Super represented by Colin Goldrick

Hell Razer represented by Ian MacDiarmid.

Case Summary

I Super sought redress from the Protest Committee as they had erred in their decision to abandon the Race by granting redress to Hell Razer against the Race Committee. This decision unfairly disadvantaged I Super in the RSYS point score. The Protest Committee advised that no redress had been granted to Hell Razer rather the race had been abandoned because of a breach by the Race Committee failing to signal a course for Division 1 thereby leaving Division 1 without a course to sail.

Facts Found

1. The Race Committee (RC) did not signal a course for Div 1 with a numeral pennant as required by SI 7.2 and RRS 25.2 RR27.1 and SI 21.2.
2. The RC flew Flag Oscar for the start of Div 1 to indicate a Kirribilli finish.
3. RSYS SI 7.6 states races for 21 January 2017 will finish at Kirribilli.
4. Div 1 yachts were not able to comply with RRS 28.1 as no course was designated.
5. Div 1 yachts followed the fastest boat Sydney around a series of marks that did not meet the requirements of RRS 28 or SI7.1 "The Courses".
6. The RC did not designate a course by any means to Div 1 RRS 27.1 SI 21.2
7. Actions by the RC resulted in Div 1 yachts having no designate course to sail.
8. No yacht in Div 1 sailed a course that started from Starting Line 4 Athol Bay SI 7.1
9. The RC did display a numeral pennant for all other RSYS Divisions on Saturday 21 January.

Conclusion and Rules

The RC failed to signal a course for Div 1 to sail.

There was no course described for Div 1 to sail.

There was effectively no race course set for Div 1 and therefore there was no race and there are no grounds for redress for any Div 1 yacht as the Division had no race.

Rules; RRS 25.3, 27.1 28.1 RSYS SI 7.1 7.2 21.2

Decision

Race 17 for Division 1 of the RSYS for 21 January is abandoned.

Protest Committee

John Conroy, Chris Harper, Tim Cox

Signed; Tim Cox 3 February 2017