

Cruising Yacht Club of Australia
LAND ROVER WINTER SERIES 2017

Protest Hearing
Utopia/7600 vs The Goat/7027

Hearing at the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia on 25th May 2017.

Event: Race 4

Utopia, represented by: Peter Messenger
The Goat, Represented by, Mitchell Wilson

FACTS FOUND

1. THE GOAT had gybe set on to starboard after rounding LM2 Mark in next to no wind under spinnaker (mostly collapsed).
2. UTOPIA was close hauled on starboard tack approaching LM2 Mark, travelling faster than THE GOAT.
3. UTOPIA established an overlap outside of two boat lengths of THE GOAT.
4. As it became clear that UTOPIA was on a collision course, THE GOAT attempted to avoid UTOPIA.
5. UTOPIA was forced to alter course to avoid a collision with THE GOAT.
6. THE GOAT performed a one turn penalty some 15 minutes after the incident.

CONCLUSION

THE GOAT being windward boat, infringed UTOPIA and failed to get well clear other boats as soon after the incident as possible to take her turn.

RULES APPLICABLE

11, 44.2, SI.19 & SI.20(a).

DECISION

THE GOAT is to be penalised 2 places in accordance with SI.20(a)

Steve Hatch

Chairman

25th May 2017.

Protest Committee: Karl Garavan, Steve Hatch, Lister Hughes.