

2019 CYCA Winter Series

Protest No. 1

Race No. 2

Divisions B

Race Committee is seeking redress on behalf of Wax Lyrical 248, Cyrene3 8412 and Rum Jungle RQ1123

Hearing at the CYCA on Thursday 16th May 2018 at 18:00 Hours.

Protest Committee: Steve Hatch, Karl Garavan, Lister Hughes & John Kirkjian

Wax Lyrical was represented by: Les Goodrich

Cyrene 3 was not represented.

Rum Jungle was not represented.

Race Committee was represented by Justine Kirkjian

FACTS FOUND

1. The CYCA Winter Series 2019 consists of 9 races, conducted by boats who are given individual handicap starting time. Boats are notified of their starting time in a document prepared by the CYCA Sailing Office and referred to as the "Green Sheet."
2. The CYCA Sailing Office prepares a Start Time Order Sheet for the boats in the race, this time sheet is given to the Race Officer on the morning of the race.
3. The Race Officer observed several boats starting before their start time as nominated on the Start Time Order Sheet and he signalled their individual recall.
4. The Race Officer subsequently ascertained that there was a discrepancy between the start times on the Green Sheets and the start time on Start Time Order Sheet of the six boats that had started early and had been recalled.
5. Wax Lyrical, Cyrene3 and Rum Jungle were the only yachts that returned to the starting area when recalled by the Race Officer.
6. Quetzalcoatl, Min River and Ariel were recalled for starting early, but did not return. Subsequent investigation established that these boats had in fact started on the times indicated on the Green Sheet.
7. The Green Sheet showed the start times for the three returning boats as:
Wax Lyrical as 13 minutes, Rum Jungle as 11 minutes and Cyrene3 as 10 minutes
8. The Start Time Order sheet showed the start times for the three returning boats as:
Wax Lyrical as 16 minutes, Rum Jungle as 14 minutes and Cyrene3 as 12 minutes
9. The Race Officer noted the re-start time for the returning boats as:
Wax Lyrical 19 minutes, Rum Jungle as 15 minutes and Cyrene3 as 14 minutes.
10. The Race Officer is seeking redress on behalf of the three boats that when recalled returned to the starting area.

CONCLUSION

1. The confusion caused by the CYCA Sailing Office issuing a Start Time Order Sheet with start times that were in conflict with the times shown on the Green Sheet was an improper act or omission of the Race Committee.
2. Wax Lyrical, Cyrene and Rum Jungle finishing positions were made significantly worse through no fault of their own and are entitled to redress.

RULES APPLICABLE

RRS: 62.1(a), 63.3(b), and 64.2 & Appendix A 10(a)

DECISION

1. Wax Lyrical, Cyrene and Rum Jungle are entitled to redress,
2. The finishing time of Wax Lyrical is to be reduced by 6 minutes.
3. The finishing time of Cyrene 3 is to be reduced by 4 minutes.
4. The finishing time of Rum Jungle is to be reduced by 4 minutes.

John C. Kirkjian
Chairman