

Cruising Yacht Club of Australia
2020-2021 CYCA Ocean Point Score

Race 3

Request for Redress

Erica 237 v Race Committee

Hearing at the CYCA Thursday 5 November 2020

Protest Committee: Steve Hatch, Karl Garavan & John Kirkjian

Erica was represented by Peter Williams

FACTS FOUND

1. The breeze was blowing from the South at 13 knots with gusts of 17 knots.
2. The yacht Erica was an entrant in the CYCA Ocean Point Score Race 3.
3. Erica was located approximately 1nm east of Bondi with Cinquante ahead and approximately 1.5 nm astern of Wax Lyrical.
4. Erica noted that Wax Lyrical was ahead of Cinquante and dropping her headsail.
5. As the radio transmission between the yachts was garbled Erica was uncertain if it was Cinquante or Wax Lyrical or both that were calling for help.
6. At 14:44 hours Erica stopped racing and altered course to sail up to and pass both Cinquante and Wax Lyrical
7. Erica received assurance from both boats that Wax Lyrical was standing by Cinquante and no further assistance was required by either boat.
8. Erica on been released by both Cinquante and Wax Lyrical resumed racing at 14:55 hours
9. Wax Lyrical stood by Cinquante until she was released by the Sydney Water Police at

CONCLUSION

1. Erica complied with their obligations under RRS 1.1.
2. Erica is entitled to redress RRS 62.1c.
3. While rendering help Erica increased her elapsed time by 9 minutes and approximately 0.4nm in distance

RULES APPLICABLE

RRS 1.1, 62.1c & 64.2, WS Case 20

DECISION

1. Erica's elapsed time for race 3 is to be reduced by 12 minutes

John Kirkjian

Chairman

5 November 2020

The Protest Committee commends Erica for honouring its obligation under RRS. 1.1