

# **CYCA Monday Twilight Series 2023**

## **BLISS 2 v BANDIT**

Hearing at Cruising Yacht Club of Australia, on 2 February 2023 at 19:00.

**Bliss represented by: Stephen Rich**

**Bandit represented by: Stephen Taylor**

### **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

#### **Conflict of interest**

Protest Committee members declared that they had no conflicts of interest and no party objected to the members hearing the protest

### **FACTS FOUND**

1. Bliss delivered a Hearing Request containing the information required by rule 61.2 to the race office within the protest time limit.
2. Bliss hailed 'protest' at the time of the incident.
3. Bliss displayed a red flag a few minutes after the incident
4. Both boats suffered superficial damage to their topsides and no crew member of either boat was injured.

### **CONCLUSION AND RULES THAT APPLY**

- A. Bliss did not display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity as required by rule 61.1(a).
- B. The circumstances of rule 61.1(a)(4) regarding serious damage do not apply.
- C. The protest is invalid.

### **DECISION**

The hearing is closed in accordance with rule 63.5.

Erica Kirby  
Chairman

**Protest Committee:** John Allan NJ, Simon Barrington, Erica Kirby NJ