



ROYAL NEW ZEALAND YACHT SQUADRON

PROTEST HEARING DECISION

PROTESTOR	<i>Juniper</i>	REPRESENTED BY:	Lode Missiaen
PROTESTEE	<i>Mustang Sally</i>	REPRESENTED BY:	Bob Still
SERIES:	RNZYS Wed Summer Series	DIVISION:	A Division
RACE NO & DATE:	Race: xx, 6 Dec 2023	DECISION DATE:	16 Jan 2024

VALIDITY /PROCEDURE:

- Mustang Sally and Juniper both retired prior to the hearing. However, Juniper requested that the hearing proceed.

WITNESSES:

- Peter Cunninham – Tickity Boo
- Arabella Vennell– Mustang Sally
- Shaun Wellacott - Juniper

FACTS FOUND:

1. Windspeed was about 12 – 14 knots.
2. Juniper and Mustang Sally were approaching the mark on starboard, with Mustang Sally astern and windward of Juniper.
3. At the zone, Juniper was clear ahead of Mustang Sally.
4. Juniper dropped her gennaker outside the zone.
5. Mustang Sally, still carrying her gennaker into the zone, was travelling faster and created an overlap to windward of Juniper within the zone.
6. At about one boat length from the mark, Mustang Sally bore away;
7. There was contact between the prod of Mustang Sally and the starboard side of Juniper, about a metre from the back of Juniper.
8. The skipper on Juniper was injured at the time of the contact.
9. There was damage to both boats.
10. Both boats retired from the race due to damage.

CONCLUSION and RULES that Apply

- Mustang Sally was required to keep clear of Juniper as required under RRS18.2(b).
- Mustang Sally, as windward boat, failed to keep clear of Juniper, breaking RRS11 and RRS14.
- It was not possible for Juniper to avoid contact, once she realized Mustang Sally was not keeping clear.
- As both boats retired, there is no further penalty .

Relevant RULES:

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RESULTS CORRECTED

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RRS11, RRS14. RR18.2(b)

DECISION:

No further penalty is given.

PROTEST COMMITTEE:

Colette Kraus, Blair Park, Ryan Parkin

20:03, 16 Jan 2024

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