



PROTEST COMMITTEE DECISION

Case No:1


Race: Race 13 on 15/1/2025

PARTIES

Boat or Committee or Person	Class/Fleet	Represented By/Not Present
Liquidity (DAUS216)	Division 4	Richard Franklin
Tallulah (5896)	Division 4	Graham Kemp

WITNESSES	
Name	Boat – Committee - Role
Michael Dawes	Liquidity (DAUS216)

Valid – Yes

<p>Case Introduction: <i>Liquidity protesting Tallulah for not keeping clear whilst rounding race mark K1. No contact occurred between the yachts</i></p>
<p>Procedural Matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Protest Committee declared no conflicts of interest, which was accepted by the parties to the hearing.</i> <i>The requirements of RRS 61.1 (a) & (c) were met that a red flag and a call of protest was displayed at the first opportunity and the written protest form was received by the Sailing office within the time limit specified in the Sailing Instructions.</i>
<p>Facts found:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The wind strength was approximately 14-18 knots from a North East Direction</i> <i>The Yachts were approaching the K1 mark (Kirribilli Mark) a Port rounding mark of the course</i> <i>Liquidity on a Starboard Gybe was approaching the leeward mark at approximately 6.5 Knots</i> <i>Tallulah also on a Starboard gybe to leeward of Liquidity was approaching the leeward mark at approximately 6 Knots</i> <i>Liquidity entered the zone clear ahead of Tallulah</i> <i>Both Yachts Gybed to Port rounding the Mark</i> <i>Liquidity aware of Tallulah approaching now to windward hailed for Mark room</i> <i>Liquidity had to bear away to avoid a collision with Tallulah</i>
<p>Conclusion & Rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Tallulah had not established an overlap on Liquidity prior to Liquidity entering the zone and failed to provide room to pass the mark that she was entitled to (RRS 18)</i>
<p>Decision: <i>Tallulah failed to keep clear of Liquidity and provide her with room to pass to which she was entitled. Tallulah did not comply with her obligations under RRS 18 and is to be scored DSQ</i></p>
<p>Protest Committee: International Jury: No Name Gregory Mason (Chair), Gordon Woolf, Peter Cameron, Mike Logan</p> <p>Signed:  21 January 2024 19:00 hrs</p>