



ROYAL NEW ZEALAND YACHT SQUADRON

PROTEST HEARING DECISION

PROTEST BY:	Simple Minds	REPRESENTED BY:	Bruce Scott
PROTEST AGAINST:	Lorenz	REPRESENTED BY:	Not represented
SERIES:	Club Marine Wednesday Race 7	DIVISION:	Boats in different divisions
RACE NO & DATE:	7 12 February 202	HEARING DATE:	16 March 2020

VALIDITY The protest was valid

FACTS FOUND:

1. Simple Minds was approaching the Rough Rock mark on starboard with War Machine overlapped to windward. Rough Rock was the windward mark of the course.
2. Lorenz was approaching the same mark on port tack
3. Lorenz tacked on to starboard and completed her tack within the 3 lgh zone.
4. Before Lorenz completed her tack Simple Minds bore away to avoid contact and returned to a parallel course approximately 1 metre to leeward of Lorenz.
5. As Simple Minds passed to leeward of Lorenz there was contact between the starboard side of Simple Minds and the port side of Lorenz.
6. It was not reasonably possible for Lorenz to keep clear.

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY:

After passing head to wind and before being on a close hauled course Lorenz failed to keep clear of Simple Minds. RRS 13

When changing course Simple Minds the right of way boat failed to give Lorenz room to keep clear. RRS 16.1

It was not reasonably possible for Simple Minds the right of way boat to avoid contact with Lorenz when it was clear that Lorenz was not keeping clear. Simple Minds did not break RRS14.

DECISION:

Lorenz and Simple Minds are both disqualified in their respective divisions of race 7 of the Club Marine Wednesday Series.

PROTEST COMMITTEE PANEL: Colette Kraus (Chairperson), John Rountree, Peter Lavelle

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