



Decision of Protest Committee

Date of Hearing:	Monday 9 March 2020.
Series:	Commodore's Cup.
Organising Authority:	Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron.
Date of Incident:	Saturday 15 February 2020.
Race Number:	3 (Round Kawau)
Boat Protesting, or Requesting redress or Reopening:	Carpe Diem
Boat(s) Protested:	-
Representatives:	Protestor: Rowan Smith Protestee: -
Validity:	Request valid, hearing continued.
Facts Found:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Carpe Diem</i> rounded Moturekareka Island on the inside of <i>Hysteria</i>.2. <i>Carpe Diem</i> heard a Mayday call over the VHF radio from <i>Equilibrium</i> with a man overboard.3. After it became apparent that other boats closer to <i>Equilibrium</i> were not responding, <i>Carpe Diem</i> interrupted racing at approximately 1427 hours and started her engine.4. <i>Carpe Diem</i> came down to Motuora Island and offered help to <i>Equilibrium</i>. Assistance was also provided by another boat racing and the Coastguard.5. <i>Carpe Diem</i> then returned to the approximate position where she interrupted racing and resumed racing at 1519 hours.6. <i>Carpe Diem</i> then proceeded to the finish line and finished at 1546 hours.
Diagram:	None
Conclusions:	By giving help to <i>Equilibrium</i> as required by RRS 1, <i>Carpe Diem's</i> score was made significantly worse through no fault of her own under RRS 62.1(c).
Rules that Apply:	RRS 1, RRS 62.1(c)
Decision:	Redress is given. <i>Carpe Diem</i> is to be awarded a finishing time of 14:53:44.
Protest Committee:	Blair Park CJ NZL (Chair) , Doug Elder IJ NZL, Louis Mayo NJ NZL.
Chairman's Signature:	
Date and Time Decision Advised:	Monday 9 March at 1830 hours.