



ROYAL NEW ZEALAND YACHT SQUADRON

PROTEST & REDRESS REQUEST HEARING DECISION

PROTEST BY:	The Black Pearl	REPRESENTED BY:	Tony Wallis
PROTEST AGAINST:	Wasabi	REPRESENTED BY:	Stephen Morrison
SERIES:	Doyle Sails Wednesday Series	DIVISION:	Open B
RACE NO & DATE:	Race 7, 3 February 2021	HEARING DATE:	1800 11 February 2021

VALIDITY/PROCEDURE:

- A Protest and Request for Redress by The Black Pearl against Wasabi, and a counter-protest by Wasabi against The Black Pearl, received later, were heard together.
- The Protest by Wasabi against The Black Pearl was received after the Time Limit specified in the SIs. The protest was invalid and this aspect of the hearing terminated.
- In the Protest by The Black Pearl against Wasabi, the red flag was not displayed until at least one minute after the subject incident. The protest was invalid and this aspect of the hearing terminated.
- The Request for Redress by Black Pearl was valid. The hearing continued.

FACTS FOUND:

- On a beat to windward, Black Pearl was on Starboard tack.
- Wasabi on Port tack and on a contact course with The Black Pearl began to bear away to pass astern of The Black Pearl.
- Wasabi's mainsheet then jammed and prevented her from bearing away. She instead tacked closely to leeward of The Black Pearl.
- There was contact between The Black Pearl's port side and Wasabi's starboard side, causing damage to The Black Pearl's stanchions and her rig.
- Wasabi retired, but The Black Pearl continued racing without wind gear and finished.
- The Black Pearl finished in a higher place than her average series scores to date would place her.

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY:

- The physical damage caused to The Black Pearl by Wasabi's failure to keep clear did not make The Black Pearl's score significantly worse as required to receive redress under RRS 62.1(b).

DECISION:

- Redress not given.

PROTEST COMMITTEE PANEL:

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RESULTS CORRECTED

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