

PROTEST COMMITTEE DECISION

Case No: 12 With Case(s):13 Race: 4

PARTIES

Boat or Committee or Person	Class/Fleet	Represented By/Not Present
Aja		Ross MacDonald
Jubilee		Chris Taylor

WITNESSES	
Name	Boat – Committee - Role

Valid – Yes/No (if 'No' use Facts Found to document this decision)

Case Introduction: (Type of hearing and one or two sentences to set the scene of the case e.g. 'A boat to boat incident at the leeward mark' or 'A request for redress for being scored OCS.')

A boat on boat incident at the leeward mark

Procedural Matters: (Conflicts of Interest, parties not present, extending time limits)

Facts found:

Approaching the leeward mark Aja was on port and Jubilee on stbd
 Jubilee was overlapped inside Aja when Aja entered the zone
 Flying Jenny was on stbd and several lengths ahead of Jubilee
 Aja crossed clear ahead of Jubilee and as she rounded the mark had to go to leeward of Flying Jenny who had rounded the mark ahead
 As Jubilee reached the mark with speed Flying Jenny was slow having just left the mark
 Aja sailed leeward of Flying Jenny
 Jubilee gybed at the mark and rounded until she had to hold her course to avoid making contact with Flying Jenny
 As Jubilee was turning there was contact between the bowsprit of Jubilee and the port aft quarter of Aja

Conclusion & Rules:

Aja and Jubilee were required to give Flying Jenny mark room under RRS 18.2(b) and did so.
 Jubilee as inside overlapped boat was entitled to mark room from Aja under RRS 18.2(b). Jubilees mark room included room for her to give mark room to Flying Jenny.
 Aja failed to give sufficient mark room to Jubilee and broke RRS 18.2(b)
 Aja failed to avoid a collision and also broke RRS 14.
 When it became clear to Jubilee that Aja was not giving her the room to which she was entitled it was not reasonably possible for her to avoid contact and therefore she did not break RRS 14.

Decision:

Aja is to be scored DSQ in race 4

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Request to Withdraw:

Request Approved:

Protest Committee:

Niall McLeod, Bill Wyatt, Jack Fenwick

International Jury: No

Signed:

Date, time: 02/09/23 2030