



PROTEST HEARING DECISION

PROTESTOR	<i>Playbuoy</i> <i>Psyche</i> <i>Prince Hal</i> *	REPRESENTED BY:	Guy Pilkington Paul Groom Mark Bond*
PROTESTED	<i>Race Committee</i>	REPRESENTED BY:	Brian Taylor
SERIES:	Stewart 34 Championship	DIVISION:	
RACE NO & DATE:	Race 3, 12 November 2018	HEARING DATES:	2030, 26 November 2018 2030, 03 December 2018*

VALIDITY/PROCEDURE:

- Requests for redress by *Playbuoy* and *Psyche* were for the same incident and were heard together.
- The requests for redress were valid.
- After the first decision *Prince Hal* lodged a request for redress.
- A drone video of the start had become available.
- The protest committee decided to reopen the hearing having regard to RRS 64.2 and to include *Prince Hal* as a party.

FACTS FOUND:

- The preparatory signal for the race was the U flag.
- Four of the ten boats, including *Playbuoy* and *Psyche* were scored UFD in the race.
- The race committee advised that while he was satisfied that there were four boats over at the start, records from pin vessel and the committee vessel were inconsistent and after an investigation of all records it had not been possible to determine or confirm that the correct four boats had been identified.
- The race committee submitted that as it had not been possible to clearly identify which boats were on the course side of the line, the results were potentially unfair and that the race should be abandoned.

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY:

- The race committee having not been able to identify the boats that were over, and as a consequence decided that the results are probably unfair are permitted to abandon a race under RRS 32.1(d).

DECISION:

- Having regard to the submission of the race committee, Race 3 is abandoned.

PROTEST COMMITTEE PANEL:

Doug Elder (Chair)*, Blair Park*, Peter Lavelle, Sean Bainbridge*

Decision advised 2100 03 December 2018.

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RESULTS CORRECTED

WEB UPDATE

DATABASE UPDATE