

Farr 40 Australian Championship 2010

Protest No.1

Race 4

White Cloud 8877 v Easy Tiger 5585

Hearing at the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, on the 12th March 2010 at 17:50 Hours.

Protest Committee: Lister Hughes, Bernie van't Hof and John Kirkjian,

White Cloud was represented by: M. Coxon

Easy Tiger was represented by: M. Gordon

FACTS FOUND

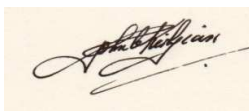
1. Four minutes prior to their finishing Easy Tiger was sailing down wind under spinnaker on starboard gybe and White Cloud was sailing down wind under spinnaker on port gybe.
2. White Cloud and Easy Tiger were sailing on a collision course.
3. White Cloud gybed on to starboard gybe to windward of Easy Tiger maintaining the overlap between them.
4. Shortly thereafter White Cloud gybed on to port gybe on to a collision course with Easy Tiger
5. Easy Tiger immediately hailed "starboard" to White Cloud.
6. White Cloud responded to Easy Tiger's hail and gybed back on to starboard gybe maintaining her overlap on Easy Tiger at all times.
7. Easy Tiger then gybed on to port gybe well outside the zone breaking the overlap with White Cloud.
8. White Cloud gybed on to port gybe.
9. No fresh overlap was created between the boats
10. No contact occurred between the boats.

CONCLUSION

1. The protest was valid.
2. No rules were broken

DECISION:

1. Protest is dismissed.



John C. Kirkjian
Chairman