

Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron
J70 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017
Protest Hearing
The Jackal/AUS1130 vs Yknot/7055

Hearing at the RSYS on Wednesday 18th October 2017

Event: Race 5

The Jackal, represented by; Nick Rosenauers

Yknot, represented by; Stephen Brady

FACTS FOUND

1. THE JACKAL rounded the windward offset mark setting its spinnaker with some difficulty.
2. YKNOT following THE JACKAL rounded the offset mark and established an overlap to windward of THE JACKAL.
3. YKNOT was travelling faster than THE JACKAL due to THE JACKAL's problems with her spinnaker.
4. THE JACKAL called YKNOT to go up and KNOT responded but YKNOT's spinnaker made contact with the shrouds of THE JACKAL causing no damage.
5. At the time of the contact the hulls of the two boats were two meters or less apart.
6. THE JACKAL pulled away to avoid further contact.
7. YKNOT performed a penalty turn towards the end of the following leg of the course.

CONCLUSION

1. YNOT being windward boat failed to keep clear of THE JACKAL the leeward boat breaking rule 11.
2. There was no damage to either boat at the time contact therefore THE JACKAL is exonerated under rule 14(b).
3. Having made contact with YKNOT's spinnaker THE JACKAL bore away the avoid further contact.
4. YKNOT did not get well clear of the other boat as soon after the incident as possible to exonerate herself in accordance with rule 44.2.

RULES APPLICABLE

11, 14, 44.2.

DECISION

YKNOT is the be scored DSQ in race 5.

Lister Hughes

Chairman

18th October 2017

Protest Committee: Tim Cox, Paul Williams, Lister Hughes.