

MIDDLE HARBOUR YACHT CLUB

Protest Hearing Cocomo vs ToyBox II

Hearing at the Middle Harbour Yacht Club on 21st October 2015 at 1900 hrs.

Event: MHYC Open Division Race on 17 Oct 2015

Cocomo represented by: Andrew Miller

ToyBox represented by: Ian Box

FACTS FOUND

1. Cocomo displayed the flag 40 – 60s after the incident
2. ToyBox did not see the flag or hear a hail
3. Cocomo was travelling at 6 kts and sails 1 BL in approximately 4s
4. By the time the flag was displayed Cocomo had sailed 10 – 15 BL.
5. The boats were on diverging tacks and thus by the time the flag was displayed the distance between the boats was in excess of 14 BL.

CONCLUSION

The flag and hail were not made at the first reasonable opportunity.

The protest is invalid.

RULES APPLICABLE

RRS61.1a; RRS63.5

DECISION

Hearing is closed



Steve Tucker

Protest Committee: John Crawford, Phil Clinton, Steve Tucker (Chair)

Ref: Heavy Duty vs Cinquante 9 Apr 03 incl:
- Appeal to YNSW #7/03
- Review of Appeal by YA 31 Jul 03
- Re-opening of hearing 3 Sep 03