Protest No. 1 Race 5

Middle Harbour Yacht Club Pre Christmas and Annual Twilight Series - 2020 Request for Redress – MH118 Sirius

Hearing at MHYC, on 19 February 2020 at 18:30 Hours.

Sirius was represented by: Garth Riley

Race Committee was represented by: David Staley

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Protest Committee members declared that they had no conflicts of interest and no party objected to the members hearing the protest.

FACTS FOUND

- 1. The race committee changed the Sailing Instructions and posted a notice of the change in writing on the Official Notice Board on 13 November 2019.
- 2. Results reflecting the changed Sailing Instruction were published no later than the notice of the change to the Sailing Instruction.
- 3. Sirius has requested redress with respect to that change in the Sailing Instructions in a request delivered on 13 February 2020, three months after the change was notified.
- 4. Reasons advanced by Sirius for the delay in delivering the request for redress were:
 - I tried other avenues to satisfy my concerns;
 - I thought I had to the end of the Annual Pointscore series to deliver the request for redress.

CONCLUSION AND RULES THAT APPLY

- A. Sirius' request for redress was not delivered as soon as reasonably possible after learning of the reasons for making the request, which was during the period ending no later than Sunday 17 November 2019.
- B. There was no good reason for the protest committee to extend the time.
- C. Sirius request for redress is invalid in accordance with rules 62.2 and 63.5.

DECISION

The hearing is closed.

John Allan Chairman

Protest Committee: John Allan NJ, Nicky Bethwaite