MHYC Pacific Rigging Race 13 Wednesday 27th November 2024 Request for Redress - EXPRESSO

Hearing via email on 28th November 2024

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Conflict of interest

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

VALIDITY

- A written request for redress was submitted by the Race Committee, under rule 60.2(b), for Expresso (Division 2, sail number MH84). The request containing the information required by rule 62.2 and was submitted to the race office within the relevant time limit.
- 2. The request for redress is valid and the hearing of that request was completed online.

FACTS FOUND

- 1. Expresso crossed the start line at 13:35.
- 2. The Race Committee called Espresso OCS as the start sheet listed their start time as 13:35.
- 3. Expresso returned to the line and started at approximately 13:36.
- 4. Subsequently the Race Committee realised they had the incorrect start sheet and Espresso start time should have been listed as 13:34.
- 5. No other boats were affected by the incorrect start time listing.
- 6. Expresso finished second over the line in Division 2 with a time of 15:37:40. First place in Division 2 was Let Loose finishing at 15:36:01

CONCLUSION AND RULES THAT APPLY

- A. The score of the boat for which redress is requested was made significantly worse by the error of the race committee.
- B. Expresso is entitled to redress in accordance with 62.1(a).

DECISION

Redress is granted to Expresso by adjusting their finish time by 2 minutes to 15:35:40, Being the difference between when Expresso started and when they should have been listed to start.

The scores of other boats are not changed.

Kerry Burke - Chairman

Protest Committee: Kerry Burke RJ, Peter Hammond and David Staley