

PROTEST COMMITTEE DECISION

Case No: 1

Race: 3 (18 June 2023)

PARTIES		
Boat or Committee or Person	Class/Fleet	Represented By/Not Present
Irukandji		Stephen Nash
Avalon		Geoff Ford

WITNESSES	
Name	Boat – Committee - Role
Ian Mooney	Irukandji (Written Statement)
Doug Russell	Avalon

Valid – Yes

Case Introduction:

Windward/Leeward incident just after the start

Procedural Matters:

Jury Member Steve Hatch attended via Teams Viewer.

Facts found:

1. Irukandji and Avalon were reaching down the start line prior to the start. At the start signal Irukandji was clear ahead of Avalon.
2. As the boats came up to their close-hauled courses, Avalon was travelling faster and established an overlap to windward.
3. Irukandji hailed Avalon to keep clear when the boats were about 2 boat widths apart and Irukandji was now in High Mode and the gap continued to close. Irukandji hailed again as the boats got within less than 50cm of each other and Avalon hailed they were unable to alter course to keep clear.
4. Irukandji bore away slightly to avoid Avalon.
5. Both boats finished the race.
6. Neither boats took a penalty turn.

Conclusion & Rules:

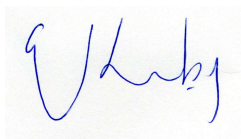
Avalon failed to keep clear as windward boat and broke RRS 11.

Decision:

Avalon to be scored DSQ from race 3.

Protest Committee:

Name Erica Kirby NJ (Chair), Steve Hatch IJ, Lindsay Fletcher



Signed:

Date: 21 June 2023