Request to Reopen, Request for Redress, and Asking to have Race one on June 29 reinstated as no formal hearing took place

Protest No: 04

Received At: 2022-07-05 12:41 PDT

1. Event Name: 2022 RVYC Wednesday Night Racing

Protest On: 2022-06-29

Race No: 1

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☐ Protest	✓ Request to Reopen	
Protest by RC	Reopening by PC	
Protest by PC	Request for Redress	
☐ Protest by TC	Request for Redress by RC	

3. Protestor

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4. Protestees

1. Race Committee

5. Incident

Time Place: wednesday June 29, 2022 1820

Rules: 32,32.1,32.2 **Witnesses:**

6. Informing Protestee

☐ Hail: Hail When: Hail Comment:

Red Flag:

Red Flag Comment

✓ Other:

Other Comment: 5 days after the race I discovered that the RC abondaned the race without a hearing

7. Description Of Incident

5 days after the race had taken place, all the boats finished scored results posted, the rc and principle race offer decide to abandon the race without a hearing or notice to competitors. The explanation provided by the Principal race offer who was not on the RC boat, is not satisfactory and does not exist in the yacht racing rules. The purpose of the yacht racing rules is to keep competitors safe and provide Fair competition. The intention of rule 32 is not to allow the race committee to abandon the race after a competitor has finished, and not after all the competitors have finished the race and results posted. The principal Race officer of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club was not even on the RC on this course and during the race we saw a wind shift of approx 110-120 degrees to the left, Making the fastest possible course to the leeward mark a strait line, which all the boats did except for 2 and deviation to the left of a strait line would not have been the fastest possible course, with approx less than 50 yards the RC shortened course for the lead boat, Rules 32.2 states that the race can be shortened at a turning mark of the course, with a course with marks to port, as competitors 12 of 13 boats choose to finish between the turning mark and the rc boat flying the appropriate flags, and the one boat that asked for redress felt they were in justly done, and lost positions because they choose not to follow what essentially had become a parade. IN the attached diagram the course shows the wind shift and the relationship of the rc boat and the turning mark -showing how the fleet stacked up on the rumb line A hearing needs to be held to determine if his case was justifiable or not The results would have been the same if the boats had finished on either side of the mark due to the wind shift across the course-12 Boats are penalized -is this fair sailing? 5 days after the event The dropping of this race could affect the outcome of the over all series if not the overall season.

Proper due process has not occurred in how the RC abandoned a race after competitors have finished scored and posted

8. Damage Or Injury

Attachments



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