

SYDNEY AMATEUR SAILING CLUB

PROTEST

Heard at: By telephone Thursday 6th March 2025 at 3:00 pm
Protestor: James Phillips - *Trixie* (SASC) via telephone
Protestee: Ben Slee – *Illusion* (RANSA) did not attend
Event: SASC Sunday Non-spinnaker - Race 8, Sunday 23rd February

Protest is Valid

Facts found:

Wind was NE around 15 knots

At approximately 1.00 pm, *Trixie* was on starboard tack between Bradley's Head and Shark Island.

Illusion was on port tack.

Trixie saw that *Illusion* was keeping clear by bearing away.

Illusion got a gust and rounded up.

A collision occurred. *Illusion* struck *Trixie* about 2.5 metres from her stern, causing significant damage.

Both yachts finished the race, but *Illusion* retired after finishing.

Applicable rules:

RRS Rules 10, 60.1, 61.1, 62, 64.3.

Decision:

Illusion broke Rule 10, but as she retired no further action will be taken.

Due to considerable damage sustained through no fault of her own, *Trixie* is awarded points equal to the average, to the nearest tenth of a point, of their points in races 1-8, when scoring races 9 & 10. No other yachts scores are to be changed.

Chair: Peter McCorquodale

Date: 6th March 2025