

PROTEST COMMITTEE DECISION

Race: 3 - 10 May 2026

PARTIES		
Boat or Committee or Person	Class/Fleet	Represented By/Not Present
Wild Oats	Div D	Stuart Byrne
Shooting Star	Div D	Graham Burrells

WITNESSES	
Name	Boat – Committee - Role

Valid – Yes

Case Introduction: <i>Different Start Times published</i>
Procedural Matters: <i>(Conflicts of Interest, parties not present, extending time limits)</i> Nil
Facts found: 1. The RC published start times for Div D on its website which was accessed by the boats on the morning of the race 2. The RC later published an updated set of start times for Div 3. Shooting Star started in accordance with the start times published on the website 4. Wild Oats started in accordance with the start times advised to them by the RC 5. Wild Oats was scored OCS
Conclusion & Rules: Shooting Star started according to the start times posted on the club website and Wild Oats started according to the start time advised by the RC The RC made an error that made Wild Oats score significantly worse through no fault of her own Rules 61.4(b)(1)
Decision: Wild Oats is to be reinstated to her actual finishing time and other places adjusted as needed. Shooting Star finishing time is confirmed
Protest Committee: Name Steve Hatch (Chair), Nicola Wakfield Evans, Chris Taylor Signed: <i>Steve Hatch</i> Date, time of Hearing: 14-05-2026 7-00pm