



Corinthian Yacht Club

**Slam Center Sound 2009
sponsored by Fisheries Supply**

Protest Number: 01

Event: Possession Point Race	March 14, 2009
Protestor: CYC Race Committee	Protested Boat: Sail # 97324 "Pegasus"
Protest Details: Special Sailboat Safety Regulations # 1, 3.	
Facts Found <p>97324 was sailing in 25 knots on port jibe under spinnaker when they noticed an eastbound ferry leaving Kingston and a westbound ferry leaving Edmonds. At approximately 1030, the ferry Spokane hailed CYC Race Committee on Channel 14 that the ferry Spokane had to make a radical course change to avoid sailboat #97324. The eastbound ferry for 5-6 minutes was ranging to cross ahead of 97324 when about ½ mile from 97324 the rate of crossing slowed. One minute later the rate of crossing resumed. When 97324 was abeam of the ferry, the ferry sounded five short blasts of its horn. The eastbound ferry crossed ahead of 97324 at a distance of 600-800 feet. The westbound ferry crossed clear ahead of 97324 without an issue.</p>	
Conclusion <p>97324 was in violation of Special Sailboat Safety Regulations 1 and 3.</p>	
Rule(s) applicable <p>Special Sailboat Safety Regulation #1 "Yachts should not pass less than ONE mile ahead and ¼ mile to the side of large vessels." Special Sailboat Safety Regulation #3 "Rule 9 of the COLREGS requires that no power vessel of less than 20 meters (66 feet) in length and no sailing vessel (any length) shall impede the safe passage of any vessel which can navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway. Puget Sound can be considered a "narrow channel" for most large commercial traffic. "Impede" means cause to alter speed or course or to take evasive action.</p>	
Decision <p>97324 was given a warning for this violation as allowed by Special Sailboat Safety Regulation #7. This warning has been recorded and may be considered when judging any future reports.</p>	
Jury Members <p>Wayne Balsiger, Jared Hickman, Joe James</p>	

Request for Redress 01

Event: Possession Point Race	March 14, 2009
Boat Submitting Request : Sail 31834 “Here & Now”	
Protest Details: Rule 62.1 c Giving Help in compliance with Rule 1.1.	
Facts Found <p>Garey Harr was helming 31834 (H & N) sailing upwind on starboard tack in 25-30 knots one mile south of Scatchet Head when sailboat Froya passed close by yelling MOB and pointed to a man in the water. 31834 headed up toward the man approximately 80 feet away.</p> <p>When 31834 came alongside the man, Garey luffed 31834 head to wind while the crew pulled him on deck and helped him into the cabin.</p> <p>Pat Denney, owner of 31834, spent 15 minutes in the cabin seeing to the needs of the rescued man.</p> <p>Two other crew members went below a total of seven times for about five minutes each time to see to the needs of the man who was vomiting and showing signs of hypothermia.</p> <p>When 31834 finished, the rescued man sought medical assistance at a hospital for a dislocated finger.</p>	
Conclusion <p>31834 reduced speed in maneuvering to the MOB and in his rescue.</p> <p>The rescue caused 31834 to delay changing their headsail from a #3 to #4 for about seven minutes.</p> <p>During the rescue and care of the man, crew members spent time in the cabin when they would have been on the rail helping to keep 31834 in optimal sailing heel.</p>	
Rule(s) applicable <p>62.1 c</p>	
Decision <p>The elapsed time for 31834 is reduced by 4.0 minutes.</p>	
Jury Members <p>Jared Hickman, Wayne Balsiger, Joe James</p>	