

2025 M2O HEARING REQUEST FORM and OTHER REQUESTS FOR ACTION BY THE
PROTEST COMMITTEE: S118 Lord Jiminy

Received Date: 8/4/2025 Time: 12:34 By: Paul Pascoe		Protest Time Limit: N/A		Case Number: 06
1. March – April 2025:		Name: Melbourne 2 Osaka Cup		Race Number: N/A
2. TYPE of HEARING X Protest – (outside help) <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Redress <input type="checkbox"/> Request to Reopen a hearing (RRS 63.7(b)) <div style="float: right;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Request to have a hearing full jury (RRS N1.4(b)) <input type="checkbox"/> Report for DP Penalty (RRS 64) <input type="checkbox"/> Report concerning a Support Person (RRS 62) <input type="checkbox"/> Report of Misconduct (RRS 69) </div>				
3. MY DETAILS – The INITIATOR – the protestor, the person making the allegation, request or report				
Class/Fleet:		Sail No/Boat Name:	OR	Committee: Ocean Racing Club of Victoria Inc On Water Manager
Represented By	Name: Robert Tanner PRO Martin Vaughan DRD David Schuller DRD			Telephone: 0418 391 078
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4. The RESPONDENT – protestee, committee for redress, support person, person reported for misconduct.				
Class/Fleet or Committee		Sail No/Boat Name/Person		Telephone (if known)
		S118 Lord Jiminy		+61 425 794 469
5. INFORMING the PROTESTEE – If you are protesting, how did you inform the boat of your intention to protest? By hailing: <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Displaying Red Flag: <input type="checkbox"/> Not required <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Informed some other way: <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes Via WhatsApp				
6. The INCIDENT Refer attached document with full details			Diagram (if relevant): Include wind and current.	
Rules alleged to be broken: Rule 41			Names of witnesses:	

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Subject: Stop and Restart Due to Safety

Date: March 19, 2025

Submitting Party: Robert Tanner, PRO

Summary

Between Wilsons Prom and Gabo Island, Lord Jiminy suffered equipment damage and failure. They initially intended to head for Lakes Entrance but later elected to continue to Eden. Lord Jiminy stopped racing near Eden and made way to an anchorage to effect repairs before motoring back to the waypoint they had stopped at and recommenced racing. During the stoppage they received outside assistance.

Details of the Incident

1. Time and Location:
 - 19/3/25 1834 Lord Jiminy via Whatsapp let Race management know that they had ripped their jib, autopilot was malfunctioning, and batteries were flooding, they were heading for Lakes Entrance for repairs
 - 20/3/25 0700 It appeared that Lord Jiminy decided to head for Eden
 - Lord Jiminy stopped racing as best as we can determine 21/3/25 0232 AEST. The location of stop racing was 37.06S, 149.59E.
 - Lord Jiminy started racing as best as we can determine 21/3/25 1923 AEST. The location of recommence racing was also 37.06S, 149.59E.
2. Reason for Stopping:
 - The yacht experienced failures; jib ripped, water ballast leak affecting battery management system and autopilot issues causing it to malfunction
 - Additional minor repairs were also carried out whilst stopped
3. Actions Taken by the Yacht:
 - Made way to Eden for assessment and repairs
 - Motored yacht to enable entry into Eden and return to start/stop position
 - Meanwhile organised outside assistance
 - Received outside assistance from:
 - i. co-owner Jim Oosterweghel and friend Barry Wilson, who drove from Melbourne to Eden with spare parts and provided hand on labour to assist with repairs
 - ii. Jim drove to/from sail repairer/upholstery in Bega
 - iii. external assistance to upholstery in Bega repair the sail.
 - We requested Lord Jiminy provide answers to all Questions for Competitors on receiving Outside Assistance. Unfortunately, they did not confirm all items. It is unclear what spare parts were provided at Eden, if

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additional provisioning was taken on, how much fuel was used and whether any fuel was replaced.

- Request for Jury Consideration

The following points are submitted for review:

- Whether receiving outside assistance constitutes grounds for penalty under RRS 41
- Whether stopping and restarting due to a safety or reliability issue constitutes grounds for a penalty under RRS.
- From Lord Jiminy: - *In total, from seeking refuge to rejoining the fleet, was at a cost of 15hrs at Eden plus the estimated 35hrs to reach Eden and significant disadvantage from a positional point of view as we had a lost all of our eastern position and favoured predicted track up the Tasman and Coral seas.*

Supporting Evidence

- Information provided by skipper including list of repairs below
- Stop Racing plotter image and recommencement plotter image below
- Blue Water Tracks historical track image below

Conclusion

The actions taken by Lord Jiminy S118 were necessary to continue racing. We request the jury evaluate this case and provide a determination of penalty for receiving outside assistance.

We recommend a penalty is warranted, with order of magnitude of 24 hours.

Signed:

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List of repairs (provided by skipper):

- Repair solent
- Detune rig, remove forestay, fix sail, retune
- Tidy up rigging - remove shot cord and old antenna
- Refix chook at top of mast
- Replace sticky back on leach of staysail
- Hatches - front hatch leaking on starboard side.

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- Water ballast inspection ports leaking - removed, cleaned and replaced all bolts.
- Emergency escape hatch at stern leaking. Added sikaflex to seal.
- All items completed, Barry (from Melbourne) helped with bouncing Dylan up the mast and removing screws on water ballast port holes.
- Jim drive to upholstery in Bega and fix sail.



Provided by skipper, indicates stop racing, motor on 21/3/25 02:32 AEST (03:32 AEDT)



Provided by skipper, indicates recommenced Racing, motor off 21/3/25 19:23 AEST
(20:23 AEDT)

Shown below in red, the track of Lord Jiminy with respect to Eden and Lakes Entrance
using historical BWT track data.

The point at which they decided to head for Lakes Entrance and then Eden for repairs is
clear to see.

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