



## Decision of Protest Committee

**Protest Number:** 1

**Protest Heard With:** n/a

**Date of Hearing:**

**Date of Incident:** 20 March 2024

**Class / Division** Jeffrey Gray Series

**Race Number:** Race 4 - 13 April 2024

**Boat Requesting Redress:** R488 Loch Sloidh 2 **Represented by:** Peter McFarlane

**Party Protested.** RYCV Organising Authority **Represented by:** Andy Warner

**Validity:** Protest valid, hearing continued

**Facts Found:**

1. The Organising Authority realised that there was a 'error' in the NOR with regard to the Jeffrey Gray Series, in that the applicable handicap for the Series was listed as AMS instead of PHS.
2. The Race Committee published NTC #23 on 12 April, the day before Race 4, the last race in the Series, amending the Series handicap to PHS.
3. R488 lodged a request for redress on the basis that the applicable handicap should not have been changed at that late stage.

**Diagram:** NA

**Conclusions:**

1. The 'error' in the NOR not being discovered and corrected prior to the start of the Summer Series was an 'omission' of the Organising Authority.
2. Amending the NOR at this later stage was an 'improper action' of the Organising Authority.

**Rules that Apply:** RRS 62.1(a)

**Decision:** Redress is granted and the Series Results are to be based on the AMS Handicap.

**Protest Committee:** Kevin Wilson NJ IRO and Rob Ware NJ (Chairman)

**Chairman's Signature:** *R J Ware*

**Date and Time Decision Advised:** 2 May 2024