

award at the prizegiving. With 26 retirements for one reason or another a large number of people were busy until late on with repairs.

The crews were not the only ones to be busy until late as Bill Kempner and his international jury started one of their night-long protest sessions, which proved to be the first of a very long and tedious affair.

The fifth race proved to be a controversial affair and resulted in the Australians forfeiting any opportunity they had of taking the title. After a tense race Brackwell came over the line 40 seconds ahead of the Australians but both with protest flags flying. After another long drawn out meeting the Australians were disqualified for rule infringements. The infringement apparently occurred after a long series of luffing tactics had been employed down both reaching legs resulting in a collision just before the leeward mark.

It seems strange that with boats being liable to lose the championship with an incident like this that they should be involved in such tactics . . . food for thought.

Race six proved to be rather an unpleasant affair with an incident occurring after the preparatory signal. The two offenders again were Brackwell and Wilmot, and it was resolved later in the evening that even though Wilmot was on starboard when the collision occurred he had altered course and was consequently disqualified. The race was raced in a reasonable

force 3 which dropped later on and the top places were again taken up with Brackwell and Wilmot at the top followed by a gaggle of UK boats with Graham Hall maintaining his consistent form in eighth place.

Following the decision to disqualify Wilmot, Brackwell had won the title without having to sail the last race and so into the last race everything seemed to have cooled off somewhat. Weather-wise this proved to be a very funny day with the wind shifting back and forth and changing in strength through the race. Wilmot, however, emphasised that he was probably the fastest boat on the water. But this still does not get away from the fact that you must sail to the rules as well as fast to take a title of this importance. Again Graham Hall remained up in the top ten and with the consistent nature of his results he took second place overall in front of Tony Procter who had a similar form.

This was the first year that Fireball had had a major sponsor. A great deal of credit for the eventual success must go to Alfred Dunhill without whose help the event would not have reached the standards expected for an event of this nature.

Australia is next and remember it's only six months and a great distance away for most competitors. Let's hope that the event will be a big success and wish all luck to the host nation in this venture.

LETTERS

Still sailing

I READ with a certain amount of amusement the almost libellous comment by Steven Schrier in the July edition: "Peter Cook no more actively sails".

I appreciate that this is written by Steven Schrier under the heading of "As I See It" but Steven is obviously "seeing it" through dark glasses and wearing blinkers for, while I no longer actively sail a Fireball, I most certainly sail in a large variety of other boats. Furthermore, I can assure Steven Schrier that when I sail, I sail 'actively' (how do you sail inactively?) or is this what Steven Schrier does these days?

Yours faithfully,
Peter Cook
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Steven Schrier writes: Having suffered the rigours of crewing for Peter, and also having chased him round World Championship courses, I know that if he puts his mind to it, his name would be topping the results column of Yachts and Yachting instead of the editorials. Sometimes careers and home life do mess up one's sailing as I well know, don't they, Peter?

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RESULTS

POS.	NAME	SAIL NO.	OVERALL RACE POSITION														TOTAL Pts.	TOTAL Less	POS.	
			RACE 1		RACE 2		RACE 3		RACE 4		RACE 5		RACE 6		RACE 7					
			Pos.	Pts.	Pos.	Pts.	Pos.	Pts.	Pos.	Pts.	Pos.	Pts.	Pos.	Pts.	Pos.	Pts.				
1	K. Brackwell	K 8520	19	25.0	6	11.7	2	3.0	7	13.0	1	.0	8	14.0	10	16.0	68.7		43.7	1
2	G. Hall	US 8571	5	10.0	5	10.0	6	11.7	4	8.0	11	17.0	3	5.7	24	30.0	82.4		65.4	2
3	A. Procter	K 8349	7	13.0	10	16.0	8	14.0	9	15.0	6	11.7	10	16.0	8	14.0	105.4		75.4	3
4	F. Davies	K 6824	DNF	62.0	7	13.0	7	13.0	9	15.0	3	5.7	9	15.0	4	8.0	138.7		76.7	4
5	R. Jobbins	K 8357	DNF	62.0	17	23.0	19	25.0	2	3.0	2	3.0	2	3.0	3	5.7	139.0		77.0	5
6	P. Sandy	K 8481	36	42.0	9	15.0	4	8.0	18	24.0	16	22.0	19	25.0	14	20.0	147.7		83.7	6
7	P. Durr	Z 8091	3	5.7	4	8.0	11	17.0	DSQ	64.0	4	8.0	6	11.7	16	22.0	107.7		85.7	7
8	C. E. Warfvinge	S 2533	2	3.0	16	22.0	10	16.0	12	18.0	9	15.0	20	26.0	2	3.0	162.0	100.0		9
9	J. Ross-Murphy	IR 7643	12	18.0	21	27.0	DNF	62.0	5	10.0	10	16.0	18	24.0	19	25.0	167.7		107.0	10
10	J. Hawker	K 6723	15	21.0	12	18.0	3	5.7	DNF	60.0	8	14.0	16	22.0	27	33.0	178.0		114.0	11
11	M. Falkengren	S 4890	11	17.0	1	0.0	18	24.0	DSQ	64.0	12	18.0	13	19.0	7	13.0	182.0		116.0	12
12	C. Aaser	N 8308	DSQ	66.0	14	20.0	14	20.0	14	20.0	18	24.0	4	8.0	13	19.0	181.0		121.0	13
13	A. Bell	IR 8427	22	28.0	8	14.0	23	29.0	DNF	60.0	17	23.0	21	27.0	11	17.0	162.7		123.7	14
14	A. Crossley	KR 8700	18	24.0	19	25.0	33	39.0	3	5.7	19	25.0	DSQ	62.0	1	.0	190.7		128.7	15
15	J. Wilmot	KA 8098	DNF	62.0	3	5.7	1	.0	1	.0	DSQ	61.0	17	23.0	DNF	56.0	187.7		131.7	16
16	M. Sellergren	S 4892	26	32.0	2	3.0	22	28.0	6	11.7	28	34.0	12	18.0	25	31.0	175.7		131.7	17
17	D. Van Heel	KC 7210	6	11.7	38	44.0	21	27.0	17	23.0	15	21.0	7	13.0	20	26.0	194.0		132.0	18
18	B. Lewis	KC 8359	16	22.0	DNF	62.0	5	10.0	28	34.0	21	27.0	23	29.0	29	35.0	171.0		136.0	19
19	P. Courtney	IR 7435	17	23.0	11	17.0	12	18.0	10	16.0	27	33.0	5	10.0	5	10.0	176.0		138.0	20
20	L. Cavis	US 8836	23	29.0	32	38.0	17	23.0	23	29.0	31	37.0	25	31.0	21	27.0	211.0		153.0	21
21	M. Herbert	UC 7571	DSQ	66.0	20	26.0	14	20.0	21	27.0	14	20.0	DNF	58.0	23	29.0	196.0		153.0	22
22	G. Meek	SA 7035	13	19.0	13	19.0	25	31.0	11	17.0	32	38.0	22	28.0	22	28.0	214.0		156.0	23
23	R. Nilsson	S 8395	14	20.0	18	24.0	26	32.0	15	21.0	37	43.0	14	20.0	18	24.0	225.0		161.0	24
24	P. Ludascher	G 7409	38	44.0	27	33.0	16	22.0	8	14.0	13	19.0	14	20.0	8	14.0	242.0		180.0	25
25	I. Gray	K 8419	DNF	62.0	23	29.0	20	26.0	DSQ	64.0	5	10.0	33	39.0	28	34.0	244.0		182.0	26
26	J. J. Provoyeur	SA 8270	21	27.0	25	31.0	DNF	62.0	13	19.0	24	30.0	26	32.0	12	18.0	246.0		186.0	27
27	C. Benedict	US 7703	10	16.0	28	34.0	DNF	62.0	19	25.0	DNF	57.0	32	38.0	DSQ	60.0	253.0		191.0	28
28	J. Winsor	KC 7580	25	31.0	31	37.0	13	19.0	24	30.0	25	31.0	DSQ	62.0	15	21.0	263.0		197.0	29
29	L. Nathanson	SA 7009	28	34.0	24	30.0	35	41.0	20	26.0	33	39.0	11	17.0	DNF	56.0	269.0		203.0	30
30	J. C. Vuithier	Z 7876	DSQ	66.0	15	21.0	9	15.0	DNF	60.0	22	28.0	30	36.0	17	23.0	256.0		213.0	31
31	P. Gault	F 7429	24	30.0	22	28.0	DSQ	66.0	DNF	60.0	20	26.0	35	41.0	37	43.0	274.0		214.0	32
32	C. Petit	F 6139	31	37.0	36	42.0	36	42.0	16	22.0	23	29.0	38	44.0	32	38.0	277.0		217.0	33
33	C. Sturm	Z 7407	1	.0	47	53.0	27	33.0	DNF	60.0	40	46.0	15	21.0	42	48.0	262.0		217.0	34
34	M. Rohrer	Z 4464	4	8.0	44	50.0	43	49.0	DNF	60.0	35	41.0	29	35.0	34	40.0	264.0		218.0	35
35	R. Dickson	IR 8306	32	38.0	39	45.0	34	40.0	22	28.0	30	36.0	40	46.0	33	39.0	273.0		222.0	36
36	Y. Pottier	F 8445	35	41.0	30	36.0	28	34.0	27	33.0	29	35.0	36	42.0	30	36.0	286.0		224.0	37
37	T. Hoad	KBA 7791	9	15.0	42	48.0	45	51.0	26	32.0	43	49.0	41	47.0	26	32.0	293.0		236.0	38
38	B. O'Neill	IR 7289	DNF	62.0	29	35.0	31	37.0	DNF	60.0	7	13.0	24	30.0	38	44.0	302.0		242.0	39
39	N. Ogasawaka	J 7305	34	40.0	51	57.0	40	46.0	30	36.0	34	40.0	28	34.0	40	46.0	306.0		246.0	40
40	M. Philip	B 8737	30	36.0	33	39.0	24	30.0	DNF	60.0	DNF	57.0	27	33.0	31	37.0	307.0		247.0	41
41	C. With	N 7399	29	35.0	46	52.0	41	47.0	DNF	60.0	36	42.0	31	37.0	DNF	56.0	325.0		266.0	42
42	G. Carnevali	I 8049	8	14.0	41	47.0	39	45.0	DNF	60.0	42	48.0	37	43.0	36	42.0	337.0		271.0	43
43	P. Briandet	F 8130	27	33.0	45	51.0	42	48.0	DNF	60.0	38	44.0	42	48.0	35	41.0	339.0		277.0	44
44	B. Ancel	F 7414	DSQ	66.0	26	32.0	32	38.0	DNF	60.0	DNF	57.0	44	50.0	39	45.0	347.0		285.0	45
45	H. Stratfold	KK 6721	DNF	62.0	43	49.0	46	52.0	25	31.0	44	50.0	39	45.0	44	50.0	353.0		287.0	46
46	B. Pearson	KZ 8889	37	43.0	52	58.0	48	54.0	29	35.0	DSQ	62.0	39	45.0	44	50.0	364.0		302.0	47
47	P. Szasz	US 7704	DSQ	66.0	34	40.0	29	35.0	DNF	60.0	26	32.0	DNF	58.0	DNQ	62.0	368.0		308.0	48
48	M. Eugenio	I 6173	20	26.0	40	46.0	38	44.0	DNS	62.0	DNS	62.0	46	52.0	43	49.0	370.0		309.0	49
49	G. Hillmarsson	IL 8323	33	39.0	54	60.0	49	55.0	DNF	60.0	47	53.0	43	49.0	DNF	56.0	371.0		309.0	50
50	J. Carlander	S 6753	40	46.0	DNF	62.0	44	50.0	DNF	60.0	41	47.0	45	51.0	41	47.0	387.0		325.0	51
51	J. Griffiths	KK 8733	39	45.0	49	55.0	DNF	62.0	DNF	60.0	45	51.0	45	51.0	41	47.0	394.0		328.0	52
52	K. Amrhein	Z 8202	DNF	62.0	37	43.0	30	36.0	DNF	60.0	DNQ	62.0	34	40.0	DNQ	62.0	407.0		345.0	53
53	I. Hanninen	L 8532	DSQ	66.0	53	59.0	DNF	62.0	DNF	60.0	39	45.0	47	53.0	DNF	56.0	417.0		351.0	54
54	H. Osapa	J 8025	DSQ	66.0	48	54.0	47	53.0	DNF	60.0	46	52.0	47	53.0	DNF	56.0	417.0		351.0	55
55	K. Wind	G 8905	DNF	62.0	50	56.0	37	43.0	DNF	60.0	DNS	62.0	DNQ	62.0	DNQ	62.0	417.0		351.0	56
56	M. Rouhianen	L 8530	DSQ	66.0	35	41.0	DNF	62.0	DNS	62.0	DNS	62.0	DNQ	62.0	DNQ	62.0	417.0		351.0	56

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