

Winter Series Race 6.

A number of yachts retired from the race, at least one with significant damage. Please, if possible, contact the starters on VHF 72 and let them know of your decision whenever this circumstance arises.

From the start boat, we witnessed several hair-raising incidents as skippers and crew battled to keep their boats on track. We admired (?) the decision of some yachts and their crews to carry spinnakers and manage to get them to recover when suddenly the wind took them in an unplanned direction.



2674 (Loose Change, BSC) was a case in point which at one stage was rocketing from Longnose Point towards Manns Point at 90° to the direction they wished to go. Even Paca (DSC) looked on the edge.

I always thought the large DSC1 start boat was bullet proof until returning from retrieving the Goat Island mark water was washing across the foredeck and over the windscreen as we headed back west into the wind. Bit scary without vision in the prevailing conditions.