

Tasar 2019 World Championship at Hayling Island SC Friday - Day 5 – The Waiting Game...

Race 9 started after an initial hour's postponement due to the lack of breeze on the race course, followed by an indefinite postponement. Racing got underway at 1442 BST in glorious sunshine and 8 – 10 knot breeze. The first start was a general recall & black flag but everyone got away on the second start.

First round the mark was local duo GBR 2877 James Peters followed by AUS 2942 James Burman and AUS 2848 Rob Douglass. The front running boats were all team racing to the finish with a first for AUS 2813 Rick Longbottom and Darryl Bentley, second AUS 2942 James and Tara Burman and third for Championship leaders AUS 2848 Rob and Nicole Douglass with GBR 2877 James Peters and Charlie Darling losing out on a top 3 spot in fourth.

Despite the longer than planned stint ashore this morning, competitors sailing past the committee boat shouted, "Thank you for waiting the for the weather!"

Race 10 saw the fleet away, first time, in steady 12 knots. AUS 2942 James and Tara Burman were first round the first mark and then a couple of new faces GBR 735 Richard Marsden and Emma Toman and then AUS 2931 Paul and Bronwyn Ridgeway.

With only two races today and everything to play for, finishers for Race 10 saw AUS 2942 James and Tara Burman keep the lead they had at the beginning, with AUS 2848 Rob and Nicole Douglass finishing with another consistent second, AUS 2813 Rick Longbottom and Darryl Bentley in third and fourth for GBR 2877 James Peters.

The Race Team said *"it was worth waiting for, the wind kicked in as planned and it doesn't get any better"*

With a second discard of the championship now in play there are only 5 points between first and second place and 6 points between the top 3.

Top 10 Overall after day 5 and 10 races, 2 discard (provisional)

1st AUS 2848 Rob Douglass and Nicole Douglass - - 16pts
2nd GBR 2877 James Peters and Charlie Darling - - 21pts
3rd AUS 2942 James Burman and Tara Burman - - 22pts
4th AUS 2813 Rick Longbottom and Darryl Bentley - - 30pts
5th USA 2398 Michael Karas and Molly Jackson - - 39pts
6th AUS 2831 Paul Ridgway and Bronwyn Ridgway - - 46pts
7th AUS 2857 Craig McPhee and Gillian Berry - - 47 pts
8th AUS 2925 Hugh Tait and Anna Tait - - 60 pts
9th AUS 2969 Heather Macfarlane and Chris Payne - - 69pts
10th USA 2916 Jay Renahan and Lisa - - 82 pts