

PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
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MINUTES OF REGIONAL BOARD MEETING of September 20, 2005

Attendees: Cole Price: President; Brian Hull: Vice President; Phillip Eaton: Judge Advocate; Drew Friedes: (Chief Handicapper); Joe Vetrano (Area A); Mike George (Area B); Eric McClure (Area C); Robert Plant (Area D); David Zaveski (Area E/F); Don Prince (Area G); Warren Gross (Area G); Bruce Cooper; Zoltan Katinszky; John Thawley; Mikel Becker and Anita Cole: Fleet Secretary

1. Minutes were approved from the August 16th meeting.

2. A. MONGOOSE, Sail # 18997 - 2nd Reading: Owner not in attendance.

The Chief Handicapper recommended -6 seconds per mile adjustment on buoy only. M/S/P to give MONGOOSE a /-60/ buoy only leaving the RLC and OWC unchanged and issue a new certificate.

B. KIOLA III, Sail # 13751 – (2nd Reading or review of rating given in August)

The Chief Handicapper recommended a provisional rating of /-48/. M/S/P to give KIOLA III a /-48/ across provisionally* so the board can re-rate when the boat has some race results.

C. PICANTE, Sail #56372 – Initial Reading: The board discussed ratings for the J-133's in general across the country and the boat's performance in light air. M/S/P to give PICANTE a provisional rating of 18/12/9 and issue a provisional certificate.*

D. FRENCH BRED, Sail # 52447 – Initial Reading: The board discussed the San Diego ratings of BEN 44.7's and how they finished against other boats plus the modifications the owner has made to FRENCH BRED. M/S/P to give FRENCH BRED a 27/24/21 and issue a provisional certificate.* This rating assumed a SAW of 182%.

*Note: A discussion ensued regarding Provisional Ratings and their legality at the present meeting. The board decided to go ahead and give these boats provisional ratings pending next month's (October 18) vote to restore the Provisional Rating language to the by-laws.

3. Brad Alberts: EL SUENO, Sail #46307 - Beneteau 47.7's

Brad addressed the board regarding EL SUENO's race results and how the boat is maintained. He noted that San Diego rates the Beneteau 47.7's at 21/21/18 and included fact sheets on how the boat would have finished if he had had the ratings he requested. Brad was then excused and the board discussed the reasons why EL SUENO was rated as it had been. It was also discussed that the boat has an os/pole and a tall mast. M/S/P/ to give EL

SUENO a 24/24/21 rating change that will stand for one year because this was an appeal of a local rating board finding. Warren recused himself and did not vote.

4. Rick Ruskin: FARR GONE – Mr. Ruskin did not attend

5. Eric Schlageter: BLITZ, Sail # 46973 – Request for a rating adjustment, 1st reading

Eric presented his reasons for asking for a change to his base rating. He showed race comparisons and stated that his boat weighs more than the other boats and then requested his base rating be the same as his Area A rating. He was excused and the board discussed his remarks and voted M/S/P to give BLITZ a 108/84/78 base rating change pending a second reading at next month's regional meeting.

6. Al Shultz: VICKI Sail #68 – request for a rating review.

A family emergency prevented Al from attending the meeting so this was tabled until next month. Also VICKI is being looked at in the Big Boat Review.

7. David & Jan Gray: PENDRAGON II, sail # 77177 Second Reading

Mr. and Mrs. Gray addressed the board and brought additional race results comparing how PENDRAGON finished against some comparison boats. They were excused and the board discussed the results and concluded with a M/S/P rating of 12/3/3. Issue a new certificate.

8. KIWI BOAT: Sail # 69331 – Review requested by Drew.

The owner has changed the keel. Discussion tabled until Drew can review his race results.

9. MAGIC LIGHT: Sail # 67335, back stay configuration modification – Drew

The board discussed the boat's main sail. It is oversized and was not reported. They also discussed other alleged modifications or one design features that were not reported on the original application. It was decided to invalidate his certificate until he properly reports his main sail measurement, his back stay modification, the alleged illegal battan arrangement and address other issues about this boat, such as an alleged os/spinnaker (also not reported). If the allegations of undeclared modifications appear to be valid there should be a disciplinary hearing as Appendix G calls for. It was decided to invite him to the October 18 regional meeting for a hearing and ask him to bring a US Sail measurement certificate on his main as well as any and all information on MAGIC LIGHT including a complete list of the one design features or modifications and race results. Pending this hearing the certificate is invalidated. M/S/P.

10. HIGH RISK: Sail # 18943 – Review of rating (51) given by SB race committee

M/S/P to keep the rating at /51/ across and issue a certificate.

11. RELACKX: Sail # 7106 – Hanse 371 – Don

The board discussed this new boat. It has an os/pole and os/spinnaker. Drew recommends a /75/ across the board. Discussion on -3 for the os/pole and -3 for os/spinnaker. M/S/P to give RELACKX a 75/72/69 provisionally.

12. CUIDADO: Sail #'s 28236 and 28236OD Certificate controversy

The board discussed this issue at length with some members alleging that the owner tried to deceive the board and race committees with these certificates. John stated the boat has jack lines instead of life lines, as well. M/S/P to invalidate the 28236OD certificate and reissue the 28236 certificate for /72/ base and 87/72/72 in Area A.

13. Provisional Ratings: First reading

The board discussed the plusses and minuses of PR's. M/S/P with a 2/3's vote to incorporate Provisional Ratings language into the Rules with the provision that PR's will be limited to a certain time and a system put in place to make sure the PR's are looked at again.

Phillip stated the Area board must approve this change to the rules and the Regional Board will discuss it again next month.

AREA REPORTS:

Area A: gave YABSOLUTELY, a Melges 320D, Sail # USA127 a provisional rating of 27/18/9

Area B: still discussing ROCKET, a CAR23.5, at a base rating of 108/84/78.

Area C: no meeting

Area D: no meeting

Area E: no meeting

Area G: area minutes are on the web site: www.sandiegophrf.org

BIG BOAT ALIGNMENT: Still working on this. Report in October

The Annual General Meeting held for several years in December is changed to November 15 as it was discovered that the by-laws state that the meeting must be held every year in November. This meeting will replace the normal Regional board meeting held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the Long Beach Yacht Club.

With no further new business the meeting adjourned at 9:47 PM

Respectfully submitted

Anita E. Cole

Fleet Secretary

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