PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA P.O. BOX 14356 LONG BEACH, CA 90853-4356

MINUTES OF REGIONAL BOARD MEETING of June 20, 2006

Attendees: Rick Von Heydenreich: Vice President; Phillip Eaton: Judge Advocate; Cole Price: Chief Handicapper; Zoltan Katinszky: Data Systems; Joe Vetrano & Max Lynn (Area A); Eric McClure (Area C); Robert Plant (Area D); David Zaveski (Area E/F); Gary Jorgensen & Warren Gross (Area G) and Anita Cole: Fleet Secretary

- 1. M/S/P to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2006.
- 2. New Business:

Columbia 30 One Design Rules: requested by Area G, First Reading Area G chairman informed the Board that the Columbia 30's class representatives had met with Area G and presented their completed rules. The class rules delineated maximum sail sizes, etc., including the use of "fat head mains". He recommended the Regional board recognize the Columbia 30 OD rules and issue both PHRF and OD configuration certificates. Discussion ensued and it concluded with the decision that they must notify the Regional PHRF board if they make any changes to those rules. PHRF ratings are 75/60/51 and the OD ratings are 78/66/60. MSP to make the OD ratings 78/66/57.

3. Old Business:

Fleet Roster for '06

The PHRF Secretary has finished the Roster for 2006 – MSP approval of the Roster for publication for all members and participating yacht clubs. It will be mailed as soon as possible.

The Judge Advocate's report on the possibility of changing the by-laws so the Areas can choose their own members without the 2 year membership in PHRF obligation.

The Judge Advocate reported that the board can make that change as long as it is published and sent to the general membership. The discussion was tabled till the Area B chairman is in attendance at the Regional meeting.

The Judge Advocate's report on his updates to the rules with the goal of making them easier to understand.

Copies of the report were handed out to the board members and discussed. It was noted that these are not so much changes as clarifications to make the rules easier to understand. The Chief Handicapper moved to approve these updates on a first reading basis. M/S/P. He suggested the Data Systems office put them on the web site for members to read. It was decided that they should be sent to the members in the Roster this year. It was also noted by the Judge Advocate that should the Board decide to make changes in the modifications after this notice period the affected Bylaws will have to be re-noticed as if the changes were new.

Big Boat Alignment Report

The Chief Handicapper is trying to set up a committee to restart the process. The committee is not yet fully formed.

4. President's Report: not in attendance this month

- 5. Vice President's Report: The CHAMPS sponsorship is complete and the NOR is almost finished. It will go to the printer this week and be mailed the first week in July.
- 6. Data Systems Report:

The Data Systems officer has solved the check mark problem on the web-site and is working on the site's "picture problem".

7. Area Reports:

Area A: held their meeting on 6/13/06 Rated UHAMBO s/n 56134 (Fast 42) 57/54/51. The owner has requested a review by the Regional board. Also YABSOLUTELY s/n USA 127, (Melges 32) was looked at. The Area A board has asked the Chief Handicapper to review the rating for this boat.

Area B: not in attendance.

Area C: no meeting this month.

Area D: held their meeting on 6/5. See their meeting notes.

Area E/F: no meeting this month.

Area G: held their meeting on 6/12/06. See their meeting notes.

- 8. Chief Handicapper's Report:
- TAXI DANCER s/n 97510MP & 97510SP (R/P68) Paul & Laura Sharp, <u>Second Reading</u> Regarding STAGHOUND's request (S/N 69152 (RP50) – Alec and Oberschmidt) for a rating review of TAXI DANCER.

Laura Sharp addressed the board and handed out information on how TAXI finished in her races in 2005 and part of 2006 after they started using their mid length pole. She added information on how the boat is sailed/crewed, maintained and equipped. Discussion ensued with Mike Priest (PENDRAGON) representing STAGHOUND and Tim O'Sullivan from MARGARITAVILLE asking questions; making comments and presenting detailed data that he had collected. The representatives were excused and the discussion continued. M/S/P to issue new certificates for TAXI DANCER's long pole configuration at /-78/-93/-102 and the short pole -60/-69/-72. The mid length pole configuration rating is to remain the same.

- 2. MARGARITAVILLE 1 1/2 s/n 50100 (SLP 52) Jay Steinback, Tim O'Sullivan presenting. <u>First Reading</u> Request for rating change. Tim addressed the board on the issue of looking at the big boat "class" as a whole besides just MARGARITAVILLE. He insisted there were serious rating flaws in 50 foot and above "fleet". He handed out a huge packet on information. Mike Priest (PENDRAGON) added that there is a drastic need for a big boat review. After some discussion Tim was excused and the board decided to table the discussion until next month so they could "digest" the information he presented.
- STAGHOUND (s/n69152 (RP50) Alec and Oberschmidt Artie Means Modification: addition of a bow sprit. No paperwork submitted yet. Tabled till the paper work comes in. <u>Note: e-mail paper work came in on Wednesday, 6/21. Artie and Graham Kelly confirm that the new bow sprit</u> is not longer than the Jc (22 feet). The certificate has been noted.
- PYEWACKET s/n USA4 (RP86), Brad Avery for OCC Second Reading Mike Nash represented PYEWACKET last month and was asked to bring in a completed request for rating form that included the details of modifications and dimensions/configurations of the boat including draft, ballast, displacement etc. Tabled till the paperwork comes in.
- MUDDY WATERS s/n USA 116M (Melges 30), Tom Blanton Second Reading The board voted to rate MUDDY WATERS 39/27/18 Regional and 36/27/18 in Area B at the May Regional meeting. M/S/P to rate MUDDY WATERS as voted last month and issue a new certificate.

- 6. FALCON s/n 56055 (Tripp 50), Ernie Pennell Request for Rating change. First Reading Owner requesting a buoy rating change from /-27/ to /-24/ to match the San Diego rating. M/S/P to give FALCON /-24/ buoy only.
- **7.** CAN69102 s/n 69102 (Fast 40), Al Lehman Requested by Chief Handicapper. **Initial Reading** New owner, but a very old rating on this boat. This is the old LAWNDART. M/S/P to rate this boat provisionally at 63/57/54.
- 8. ZEPHYRA s/n GBR4646 (DK46), Robert Youngjohns Requested by Chief Handicapper First Reading This boat was initially rated in a hurry before the Newport Ensenada race. Robert Youngjohns addressed the board and handed out data that showed how they would have finished if their rating was changed by 3 seconds and then pointed out Americap and IOC comparisons using time on distance and time on time. He added that they won because they raced well not because their rating was a gift. Robert was excused and the Area D chairman advised the board on how they rated the boat in the first place. Discussion ensued and it a question was raised about the boats ballast and displacement. The reported numbers don't correspond to the numbers on the Manufacturer's website. M/S/P to adjust ZEPHRYA by -3/-6/-9 to -18/-21/-24 at this first reading and ask the owner to verify the ballast and displacement numbers.
- 9. T-REX s/n 97925 (B-25) Steve Washburn Modification: New Rudder **Initial Reading** Owner was not present. The board discussed the modifications and voted M/S/P to adjust the rating of T-Rex by -6/-6/-6 to /126/123/123.
- 10. MAGIC LIGHT s/n 67335 (Hobie 33M) David DuKet First Reading requested by Max Rosenberg and Chief Handicapper.

The board discussed the letter sent by Max Rosenberg and decided to invite David DuKet and Max Rosenberg to the July 18 meeting to address the allegations made in the letter. In the mean time the Chief Handicapper will put together a spreadsheet comparing the Hobie 33's to this modified one. It is noted that the letter to Mr. DuKet will be a Notice of Hearing for Disciplinary Action as addressed in the rules in Appendix G.

- UHAMBO s/n 56134 (Fast 42) David Chase/Anne Fitzgerald First Reading Review of rating requested by Area A. David addressed the board regarding UHAMBO's history asking for a more significant rating change than Area A gave him. The board asked many questions and then the owner was excused and a discussion ensued. M/S/P to rate UHAMBO 54/51/51 Regional (base) only.
- 12. YABSOLUTELY s/n USA127 (Melges 32) Jim Yabsley First Reading

Review of rating requested by Area A. The owner was not present. The Area A representative handed out race comparison information on YABSOLUTELY. He asked the board for input as Area A does not have any "32's" in its area. Discussion ensued and it was decided to ask the owner to come to the July meeting and bring more information on his boat. This boat was rated provisionally in September of '05.

13. DIAVOLA s/n 7666 Rocket 22 - Gary Marshall and the Area B Chairman

The owner addressed the board and wanted the board to give him a /99/ buoy rating. His rating is /93/ now. He also wanted a first and second reading so the change would be in effect for LB Race Week. There was no Request for Rating Review form sent in or any race history. After some discussion the board excused the owner and decided not to change the rating. They want to see race data before changes will be discussed.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:55 PM

Respectfully submitted

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