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

### MINUTES OF REGIONAL BOARD MEETING of July 18, 2006

Attendees: Brian Hull: President; Rick Von Heydenreich: Vice President; Cole Price: Chief Handicapper; Zoltan Katinszky: Data Systems; John Thawley & Max Lynn (Area A); Mike George (Area B) Eric McClure (Area C); Robert Plant (Area D); Gary Jorgensen & Warren Gross (Area G) and Anita Cole: Fleet Secretary

- 1. M/S/P to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2006 with amendment to the Columbia 30OD paragraph.
- 2. New Business: No new business
- 3. Old Business:

The PHRF secretary reported that the Fleet Roster for '06 and the NOR for the 2006 Championship Regatta were been mailed the second week of July.

NOSA Class Break Recommendation: The PHRF President spoke with Rick Ruskin about his request that PHRF make recommendations to NOSA concerning the class breaks for the annual Newport to Ensenada Race. A committee was formed to be headed by board Vice President, Rick von Heydenreich. This committee will be an e-mail corresponding committee. The members will be Rick, Eric, Cole, Warren and Rick Ruskin. It will give the PHRF Regional Board a progress report in August with the final report due in September. The PHRF Secretary was instructed to invite Rick Ruskin to both meetings.

#### **Big Boat Alignment Report**

The committee under the leadership of Robert Plant has been formed and will work toward a First Reading in September with the Second Reading to follow in October, 2006. The board suggested several very experienced people be asked for their input.

- 4. President's Report: none this month
- 5. Vice President's Report: CHAMPS is pretty much set. KHYC is ready with Jerry Martin in charge of the regatta. YRUSC will provide a new trophy for the best boat in the fleet from a YRUSC club. A discussion ensued regarding the 2007 Regatta. The Data Systems officer was asked if he would consider becoming the PHRF VP next year and take on the responsibility of approaching Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club about hosting the '07 CHAMPS. He agreed and will look into finding a Data Systems Officer for '07 as well. The Data Systems officer will put a note on the website that the CHAMPS is to be scored as a time on distance regatta.

Note: It is important we get a clear deed of gift from YRUSC defining how this is to be decided.

6. Data Systems Report:

The Data Systems officer is still working on the site's "picture problem". He will update the Manufacturer's list as well.

7. Area Reports:

**Area A:** No meeting this month.

**Area B:** Meeting postponed.

**Area C:** no meeting this month **Area D:** No meeting this month

**Area E/F:** not in attendance

**Area G:** held their meeting on 7/10/06. See their meeting notes.

## 8. Chief Handicapper's Report:

MARGARITAVILLE 1 ½ – s/n 50100 (SLP 52) – Jay Steinback, Tim O'Sullivan presenting. First Reading Request for rating change. Tim addressed the board again about looking at all the big boat's ratings not just MARGARITAVILLE. He added that there is a drastic need for a big boat review. After some discussion Tim was asked to be on the Review Committee and the board decided to table a decision until the Big Boat Review is complete. MARGARITAVILLE 1 ½ is one of the boats in the Big Boat Review process.

FALCON s/n 56055 (Tripp 50), Ernie Pennell – Request for Rating change. Second Reading Owner requesting a buoy rating change from /-27/ to /-24/ to match the San Diego rating. M/S/P to rate FALCON /-24/ buoy only and issue a certificate. No change in Area rating.

ZEPHYRA s/n GBR4646 (DK46), Robert Youngjohns –Req. by Chief Handicapper – Second Reading Owner not present. This boat was initially rated in a hurry before the Newport Ensenada race. The board voted to adjust ZEPHRYA by -3/-6/-9 to -18/-21/-24 at the first reading and asked the owner to verify the ballast and displacement numbers. The PHRF Chief handicapper stated that the data the owner provided last month did not change his mind about the first reading. The Chief Handicapper from San Diego expressed serious doubts about the weight numbers the owner put on his original application. The owner has not communicated with the office as he was asked to last month.

MSP to suspend his certificate till he sends in correct ballast and displacement weights. The PHRF Secretary was instructed to send him a note letting him know.

UHAMBO s/n 56134 (Fast 42) David Chase/Anne Fitzgerald – Second Reading Review of rating requested by Area A. Owner not present. The board discussed the boat's configuration vs. an Olson 40 and M/S/P to rate UHAMBO 54/51/48. Regional (base) only. Provisional

YABSOLUTELY s/n USA127 (Melges 32) Dave Young and Max Rosenberg representing Jim Yabsley First Reading Review of rating requested by Area A.

Max presented information about the boat and how it is maintained, crewed and raced and handed out some race results. Dave addressed the board about its history. The Area A Representative handed out another summary of race results. Dave and Max were excused and the discussion continued comparing YABSOLUTELY to the Melges 30 BLADE. MSP to rate it at 27/12/6 for a first reading.

ARANA s/n 8964 (Choat 51M) John Carroll – Request for Rating Review – First Reading Martin and Phil Friedman of BLACK KNIGHT s/n 83400 requested this rating review. They addressed the board and handed out information/race data and asked for a rating change to ARANA. John Carroll then addressed the board and also handed out race data stating that the boat is not "gutted" for racing and noted several boats he has raced against and how he finished. The board asked them to bring back a spreadsheet next month showing how the boat would place if the rating was changed. Discussion continued and MSP to rate ARANA 6/9/15 at this first reading.

DARE s/n 7200 (A Beck 60'Slp) Robert Kettenhofen – modifications – New mast & longer boom Bob address the board and asked them not to "knock" him too hard. The board asked him about the new mast's weight. He thinks it's lighter but does not know the exact weight. The board asked him if he's raced recently. He answered, "not since the Newport's Opening Day race". He also added another spreader, but his spreaders are the same length and the chain plates have not moved. M/S/P to rate DARE -21/-24/-27 provisionally and issue a new certificate.

SKYLARK s/n USA540 – Doug Ayres – modifications – New Mast

The owner was not present. M/S/P to adjust SKYLARK -3/-3/-3 from his current rating to -78/-87/-90 for the new lighter mast.

BOLT s/n 87299 & 87299A – Craig Reynolds – Request for Rating Review – First Reading Craig addressed the board about the certificates. They are incorrect. He asked for 6 seconds across. The board asked him about his sails and maintenance on the boat. The Chief Handicapper asked him to bring a spreadsheet in next month showing how he finished in his races in the past and how he would have faired if they gave him his request. Robert will put this boat in the Big Boat Review. M/S/P -3/-3/+9/ at this first reading.

BRIGHT STAR s/n 69434 (Jeanneau Sun Fast 40) – Dorr Anderson - Initial Reading The owner was not present. Race results in which the boat rated between 60 and 63 were reviewed, along with comparisons to similar boats. M/S/P to rate BRIGHT STAR 63/60/60 provisionally.

MAGIC LIGHT s/n 67335 (Hobie 33M) David DuKet – Disciplinary Hearing requested by Max Rosenberg.

David addressed the board regarding the allegations. He said that Keith Lorence assured him that the main was legal and that he had the battens "made legal". He was shown a photo of his boat clearly showing that he was racing with a "fat head main" and that the battens may not be evenly spaced which was not declared on his certificate. The Area A representative addressed the board regarding the boat's history and continued with his reasons why he thinks the owner did not keep his promise to make the boat legal. Discussion continued about how the boat was rated originally. The question being whether the main was supposed to be made legal (not a fat head main) or that the fat head main was to be declared and rated as such with a long pole. The owners and Max were excused and discussion continued. M/S/P to suspend MAGIC LIGHT's certificate for 3 months and require him to obtain a PHRF legal main sail before he competes again. The Chief Handicapper from San Diego asked the secretary to put all the Hobie 33 turbo's on the Regional August agenda to be reviewed.

After reviewing information from Magic Light's original rating review (first & second readings), it appears more likely that the use of the main could have been an oversight resulting from the boat owner's misunderstanding of the mainsail that his boat was rated to race with. The Regional board held an e-mail vote revising the suspension period to 30 days and requested that anomalies on MAGIC LIGHT's PHRF Certificate be corrected and use a class legal main (or get rated for the oversized main.

#### PYEWACKET s/n USA4 (RP86), Craig Fletcher for OCC - First Reading

Craig Fletcher representing PYEWACKET addressed the board and handed out a single sheet of data summarizing some of PYEWACKET's modifications plus some current race results. He stated that all the dimensions are the same except for the modifications on the data sheet. The Chief Handicapper told the representative from OCC that he was the third representative that has come before the board and that we still did not have what was asked for, which was a new application documenting the current configuration of PYEWACKET; stating all the dimensions of the boat including draft, ballast, keel bulb weight, displacement bowsprit, rig, etc. on one form and also a Request for Rating Review form. Additionally, a "from", "by", "to" summary was requested. Craig stated he thought that the current rating for PYEWACKET was too harsh and was not a good baseline from which to calculate a rating delta. Craig was asked to furnish race data (digested on and EXCEL spreadsheet) so that the modifications and rating review can be accomplished simultaneously. We have received a new Request for Rating Review form but not the new application. M/S/P to table this request till the proper paperwork comes in.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:41 PM

Respectfully submitted

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