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

MINUTES OF REGIONAL BOARD MEETING of September 19, 2006

Attendees: Brian Hull: President; Rick Von Heydenreich: Vice President; Phillip Eaton: Judge Advocate; Cole Price: Chief Handicapper; Zoltan Katinszky: Data Systems; John Thawley (Area A); Ray Wilson (Area B); Eric McClure (Area C); Wes Selby & Steve Brown (Area D); David Zaveski (Area E); Gary Jorgensen & Warren Gross (Area G) and Anita Cole: Fleet Secretary. Guests: Rick Ruskin (NOSA Recommendations Committee)

- 1. M/S/P to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2006 with 2 amendments.
- 2. New Business:

Review of all HOBIE 33's – Requested by the San Diego Chief Handicapper Postponed until October.

Provisional Ratings: The Chief Handicapper informed the area representatives that the Fleet Secretary has been keeping track of the provisional ratings given since they were reinstated in September of last year. She will notify owners and areas when a boat or boats come up for review when the year is up.

XS Racing Organization: (no relation to John Thawley's boat XS - ☺) The Chief Handicapper informed the board of this new organization. It has been formed to allow multi hull boats and sport boats to race each other using ratings derived from Portsmouth, time on time, ratings to develop a time on distance PHRF type of rating.

3. Old Business:

NOSA Class Break Recommendation: Committee Chairman VP Rick Von Heydenreich The PHRF Chief Handicapper began the report presenting the committee's recommendations to the board by handing out a spreadsheet of classes they decided to recommend to NOSA. Discussion ensued with several of the committee members and board members discussing their ideas for the classes. M/S/P to accept the committee's recommendations with the suggested changes and forward them to NOSA.

By-Law changes: Question from PHRF Secretary

When do we make these changes & rewrite the rules? The Judge Advocate advised that the rules should be voted upon in the First Reading/Second Reading procedure. The First Reading was 2 months ago when the board voted to amend the rules. The Fleet Secretary will put the By-Laws changes on the October Agenda for a second reading.

Big Boat Alignment Report: Committee Chairman Robert Plant (Area D representative) The Chairman was not present, but sent word he's working hard to get their recommendations to the board by the October 17 regional meeting.

- 4. President's Report: none this month
- 5. Vice President's Report: none this month
- 6. Data Systems Report: none this month

7. Area Reports:

Area A: No meeting this month

Area B: No meeting this month

Area C: No meeting this month.

Area D: They are discussing the idea of realigning the boats in their area so they can get a head start on class breaks. Additional meeting notes are on the website.

Area E/F: No meeting this month

Area G: A Ben40.7 IATAIA (deep draft cruising version) was given a +6/+6/+3/ from Area G/PHRF San Diego base rate. Note: This owner is a PHRF San Diego member and not a PHRF So Cal member. Area G also reported 4 new FLYING TIGERS. See additional meeting notes on their website.

8. Chief Handicapper's Report:

MAGIC LIGHT s/n 67335 (Hobie 33M) David DuKet - Reinstatement Hearing

Todd Downey & David Duket represented the boat and said they'd gone over the boat thoroughly and noted the weight as 4100 lbs. with a heavy stern, split back stays and want a rating using their fat head main. The pole is 12 feet. Todd presented the PHRF Chief Handicapper with sail measurements by North Sails. Discussion ensued and questions were put to the representatives, including a Mr. Ryder (also present to give information about the boat), about the uneven battens seen in recent photos. The PHRF Vice-President read the men the rules regarding battens and the board concluded that these were, indeed, uneven and illegal. Todd said the Kevin Miller of North Sails is making them a new main with evenly spaced battens. Discussion continued and concluded with M/S/P to issue 2 certificates to MAGIC LIGHT. PHRF will issue a "stock" certificate wherein the boat will use sails and rig dimensions consistent with those of a standard Hobie 33 (but including the dual backstays & cut-away transom) with a rating on 93/78/78; and a "turbo" certificate addressing the higher IC & JC (including sails), the fat head main, duel backstays and the cut-out transom with a rating of 78/59/48. NOTE: The owners were clearly informed that the unevenly spaced battens were not legal.

ABACUS s/n USA8 (Perry Flying Tiger 10 Meter) – Timothy Chin (Question from the Fleet Secretary) She has had no contact with the owners: no application for membership has been received. The Area G chairman cleared up the problem by stating that several "Flying Tigers" had applied to the San Diego PHRF and they wanted the Regional Board to rate this boat as well so there would not be any confusion. When the owners of ABACUS or any other Flying Tiger apply for a rating in Southern California there will already be a rating. The board approved the rating of 54/48/42 for the Flying Tiger OD last month.

BOLT s/n 87299 & 87299A – Craig Reynolds – Request for Rating Review – Second Reading Carson Reynolds represented the boat, handed out a sheet of race results and asked for /-9/ buoy rating. Questions and a short discussion ensued and Carson was excused. M/S/P to leave the rating as is for now and asked Carson/Craig to bring in more race results. This boat is one of the boats in the Big Boat Review.

TERESA LYNN s/n 43625 (San23) Christopher Reinhard – Request for Rating Review, <u>First Reading</u> The owner lives in Arizona and sent packet of information that were handed out. Discussion ensured and M/S/P the rate TERESA LYNN /171/ at this reading and ask the owner to submit a spreadsheet comparing his race results comparing how he would have finished if the board gave him a +3 or +6 or +9. The chief handicapper would like to see those comparisons before the next Regional meeting. POGO s/n 56461 (POGO40) Bernard Gantes – Initial Reading

Bernard and Brad Bolger addressed the board and asked for 2 certificates. One for regular ballast and one for water ballast. He wants the boat to be able to race single handed with the water ballast and crew raced without water ballast. A board member noted that single handed sailing is illegal in PHRF racing. The representatives acknowledged the rule. Questions ensued and concluded. The men were excused and the board continued discussing this new boat from Europe. M/S/P to issue POGO two certificates one at /-42/-48/-57 with water ballast and /-39/-42/-57 without water ballast. Both certificates are for provisional ratings.

STARK RAVING MAD III s/n 52566 (RP66) Jim Madden - Request for Rating Review, <u>First Reading</u> Jim handed out a packet of information on the boat that showed how it's rated now compared to IRC races. He presented his argument that they are heavier, have less sail area and are shorter. The boat's head sail is only 105% and weighs 26,950 lbs. he asked for +18 to /-120/ across. Several board members asked questions and he answered them before being excused. Discussion ensued and M/S/P to rate STARK RAVING MAD /-120/ across at this first reading.

BRAND NEW DAY s/n 52650 (J65) Jim Madden – Request for Rating Review, <u>First Reading</u> Jim addressed the board and handed out a packet of information about this boat. It rates /-54/-48/-66 now and he asked for /-21/-30/-33/. The board asked him some more questions and he was excused. The board had a brief discussion and voted. M/S/P /-42/ across at this reading and asked Jim for more race history to be presented for the second reading.

HAT TRICK s/n 56459 and SEA SICK s/n 56458 (Open 5.7's) Referred to Regional by Area B Owners requesting an OWC rating, but have Category 4 only certificates as they do not have life lines or pulpits. The PHRF Vice President read the rules and the board concluded that they can give them an OWC rating. M/S/P to rate the Open 5.7's /117/ OWC.

FRENCH BRED s/n 52447 (Ben44.7) Ronald & Beverly Coalson – Provisional Rating Review Hearing <u>First Reading</u>. The hearing was dismissed as FRENCH BRED did not renew their PHRF Regional certificate for 2006.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM

Respectfully submitted

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