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

MINUTES OF REGIONAL BOARD MEETING of October 17, 2006

Attendees: Brian Hull: President; Rick Von Heydenreich: Vice President; Phillip Eaton: Judge Advocate; Cole Price: Chief Handicapper; Zoltan Katinszky: Data Systems; Max Lynn (Area A); Mike George (Area B); Eric McClure (Area C); Robert Plant & Wes Selby(Area D); David Zaveski (Area E); Gary Jorgensen & Warren Gross (Area G) and Anita Cole: Fleet Secretary. Guests: Steven Ernest candidate for 2007 Judge Advocate

1. M/S/P to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2006 with one amendment. There was a typo that was missed last month on MAGIC LIGHT s/n 67335. The RLC should be /57/ not /59/. The secretary will correct the error and send a new certificate.

2. New Business:

Review of all HOBIE 33 Turbos – Requested by the San Diego Chief Handicapper The secretary handed out copies of the certificates of all the Hobie 33's in the data base. The Chief Handicapper presented a spreadsheet comparing the turbo'd Hobie 33's plus race results and the board discussed both the standard and the torbo'd boats. The PHRF President asked for a consensus among the board and the discussion continued comparing these boats to several other boats. No decision was made. See the notes on the turbo'd Hobie 33's below.

The judge advocate reported on a question sent to him in an email from Art Engle regarding the use of a whisker pole on a jib in a non spinnaker leg of a race. He concluded that Rule#7 in the Class Rules states that a whisker pole can be used with a jib as long as it is not over 140% of the J measurement. Also Class Rules do not prohibit the use of a whisker pole downwind when flying a head sail, and it appears the Racing Rules of Sailing govern this issue.

3. Old Business:

NOSA Class Break Recommendation: Committee Chairman VP Rick Von Heydenreich The PHRF Vice President reported that the committee took the recommendations to the NOSA board and they agreed with most of PHRF's recommendation with a couple of exceptions notably the designation of the new PHRF E and PHRF G classes. PHRF class E may be moved to the first or last start, depending upon NOSA's decision. In future years there will be more sprint classes (with size limits) and a cruising class with adjustments.

Rules & By-Law changes:

Even though we've had a first reading on the proposed Rules changes it was noted by the Chief Handicapper that it is time to update the Rules as well as vote on the By-Law changes. That will have to be undertaken next year.

Big Boat Alignment Report: Committee Chairman Robert Plant (Area D representative) The Chairman handed out a spreadsheet and report on what they've concluded so far. He plans to send it to several prominent and knowledgeable people for their analysis and recommendations. Each rated area will be analyzed separately as to not overwhelm the committee advisors. He also stated that because the subject is so extensive and complex he doesn't foresee any final decisions till January or February of next year. The PHRF President added that the project needs to be complete by March of '07 at the latest.

4. President's Report:

The PHRF President announced that we will have a board meeting at 5:45 PM next month before the 7 PM Annual meeting to finish up a few second readings and tie up some board business before the new board is elected at the Annual Meeting at 7PM.

- 5. Vice President's Report: none this month
- 6. Data Systems Report: The website is up to date. David Zaveski will stand for Data Systems Officer at the Annual Meeting.

7. Area Reports:

Area A: No meeting this month

Area B: No meeting has been postponed till tomorrow

Area C: No meeting this month.

Area D: They rated a Rhodes 33, MADNESS s/n 56464 - /153/144/144 Regarding the Peterson 34, PUSSYCAT they took away 3 seconds back to 120, the same for ELAN the Tartan35 to /120/ and VALENTINE, a 30/30 was put back to /120/.

Area E/F: No meeting this month

Area G: They voted to set the DK46, VALKYRIE s/n 7190 (in San Diego and Area G) rating at /-21/-27/-30 to match the So Cal rating. The Hanse371, JANDON s/n 7266 was rated /120/120/120. The BEN10R, PANACHE was rated /75/69/63 provisionally. Three other boats were tabled till next month to give the board time to digest and explore more data.

8. Chief Handicapper's Report:

TERESA LYNN s/n 43625 (San23) Christopher Reinhard – Request for Rating Review, Second Reading First reading: /171/. The owner sent another packet of race comparisons. Discussion ensued and concluded with the decision to table the decision till the owner sends in better, more understandable race comparisons.

STARK RAVING MAD III s/n 52566 (RP66) Jim Madden - Request for Rating Review, Second Reading First Reading: /-120/. Jeff Gordon, Mike Nash and John Gardner represented the boat and handed out a packet of information that showed how it fared in several races. The board members asked several questions about how the boat was sailed etc. The men answered the questions and then were excused. The Chief Handicapper handed out a spread sheet comparing it to ALCHEMY (AND 77) and a Santa Cruz 70. A discussion ensued and it was concluded that the board really needs to see more race data. M/S/P to rate SRM III /-126/=129/-129/ provisionally and subject to the Big Boat Review.

BRAND NEW DAY s/n 52650 (J65) Jim Madden – Request for Rating Review, <u>Second Reading</u> First Reading: /-42/. The same group of men from STARK RAVING MAD III addressed the board on behalf of Jim Madden and handed out another packet of information about this boat noting that it is really a cruising boat and hadn't raced since the last meeting. The board asked questions and they were excused. The board continued the discussion and voted. M/S/P to rate this boat /-42/-48/-48/ provisionally and subject to the Big Boat Review.

BLITZ s/n 46973 (Cap23.5) Michael Difede – <u>Provisional Rating Review</u> – rates /108/84/78 now. Michael addressed the board and handed out a packet of information. He talked about how he obtained the boat. It is #3 of 3 made; there are no more. He then noted how the boat has finished in its last 6 races and asked the board for the same rating as MAGIC CARPET RIDE. He was excused. The board discussed his information and voted M/S/P to leave the rating the same, but remove the provisional status.

MAD MAX s/n 77655M, CAPTAIN SLUGGO s/n 77870 & MAGIC LIGHT s/n 67335M – First Reading (HOB 33 Turbos) Review of Rating requested by the Chief Handicappers of Regional and San Diego. Max Rosenberg addressed the board and answered questions about the measurements of his boat, MAD MAX, about his turbo configuration and how he finished in several races. He was excused and the board discussed the 3 boats in relation to each other. M/S/P to rate CAPTAIN SLUGGO and MAD MAX /81/66/54/ and leave MAGIC LIGHT at 78/57/48.

TRANQUILITY s/n 56106 (BEN 40.7) - Max Lynn – Request for a 2^{nd} certificate/modifications (use of a Farr 40 chute – 7% increase in the Jc & SMW and SL increases by 1.8 feet) Max handed out a graph showing how a bigger spinnaker and pole increase would work but the hoist would stay the same. The board president asked him how the sail area would increase. He answered minimally as it is purely a running spinnaker. He stated he expected only a -3/-6/-6 penalty. Max was excused and the board discussed the information. M/S/P to issue a second certificate with a /-3/-6/-9 rating assessment for use of this chute to $\frac{48}{48}$.

DIAVOLA s/n 766 (Rocket22) - Gray Marshall - Request for a Rating Review and an additional certificate for racing with a symmetrical spinnaker only. First Reading Gray addressed the board on how the boat raced and finished and he handed out a packet of information. He wants a second certificate for racing with his symmetrical spinnaker only and a better rating. Gray was excused and the board discussed his request. The Area B representative added his knowledge of this boat. M/S/P to make DIAVOLA's Regional rating the same as the Area B rating of /102/75/66 which was approved as a first reading. A preliminary reading from the board indicated that a rating of /105/81/75/ for a second certificate for racing with the symmetrical spinnaker only. However a rating similar to the asymmetrical rating may also be considered. The board will discuss in detail and vote after receipt of an application and check.

LIZZIE BORDEN s/n 97017 (Mariah 27) - Dick Hampkian – Modification-Request for a second certificate for an oversized spinnaker. Tabled until the November meeting. The application was not received in time to support the October meeting.

IMAGINE s/n 56398 (BEN473) – Mark Johnson – Request for Rating Review – First Reading No representative present. The packet of information he sent in was handed out. The Area G Representatives gave the board a short description of the boat and the Chief Handicapper for San Diego stated that the draft is wrong on the certificate. A discussion ensued and it was decided to send the request to Area A for a disposition.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM

Respectfully submitted

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