

PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
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MINUTES OF REGIONAL BOARD MEETING of January 16, 2007

Attendance: Rick Von Heydenreich, President; Zoltan Katinszky, Vice President; Steven Ernest, Judge Advocate; Cole Price, Chief Handicapper; Mike George (Area B); Eric McClure (Area C); Robert Plant and Wes Selby (Area D); Chris Bennett, David Cattle & Mika Roberts (Area G)
Anita Cole: Fleet Secretary.

M/S/P to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2007.

1. New Business:

The PHRF Vice President made a suggestion during tonight's meeting to require all new boats that are rated provisionally to submit race results from their first 10 races so the Area boards and perhaps the Regional board can use them to evaluate the provisional rating when the boat comes up for review in a year. The idea was considered and discussed briefly by the board but was tabled due to the long list of boats to be considered tonight. The subject of policing such a policy was touched on and he was encouraged to bring up the subject at the February Regional meeting.

2. Old Business:

Big Boat Alignment Report: Robert Plant (Committee Chairman) addressed the board and reported that the number of boats to be reviewed has increased and they are working on the project. They have made some decisions but added that making the comparisons fair is difficult. The PHRF Chief Handicapper suggested that the committee set a date to have dinner so they can meet face to face and "hash things out". Then present their decisions to the board next month as a first reading.

Rules & By-Law changes:

This project was postponed until next month so the new Judge Advocate can review the proposed changes and make his recommendations to the board.

4. President's Report: None this month.

5. Vice President's Report: The 2007 PHRF Championship Regatta sponsorship project is coming along nicely. Elliott Patterson (EP) Sails has signed on as a primary sponsor and the PHRF VP is looking for another sail maker co-sponsor. Signet Instruments and YRUSC have also given him verbal agreements. He would like to send out an early mailer including the advertiser's literature to all PHRF members.

6. Data Systems Report: The new Data Systems Officer is working with the VP (previous Data Systems officer) to take over the job. Their goal is to have him take over by next month. Zoltan will take care of updating the web site for this month.

7. Area Reports:

Area A: Not in attendance

Area B: Many boats were rated see the Area B minutes.

Area C: No business/no meeting this month

Area D: The Harbor 25, YEMAYA, was rated 165 buoy & 153 RLC
The all wood custom 20ft sloop JOY, was rated /276/276/276

Area E/F: Not in attendance. They meet next week 1/23/07

Area G: The Hobie 33M MAGIC LIGHT was rated /78/60/48/ in Area G only
Many other boats were also rated. See the San Diego web site for their ratings.

8. Chief Handicapper's Report:

MARGARITAVILLE 1 ½ s/n 50100 (52' Sloop) – Jay Steinbeck – **Second Reading**
M/S/P to rate MARGARITAVILLE 1 ½ /-54/-60/-72/; Subject to the Big Boat Alignment Review.

PENDRAGON II s/n 77177 (DAV44), David Gray: Request for Rating Review – **First Reading**
David Gray addressed the board and handed out '06 race results noting that he had “fixed” the sail hoist as requested by the board and wants /+6/ on buoy. He put a bow sprit on the boat to hold the foreguy for his oversized pole. The board asked questions on how the boat handles in chop and heavy wind. Discussion ensued on why he was “dinged” 12 seconds last year for a new mast, etc. David was excused and the discussion continued. The PHRF Area B representative and VP both race against him and gave their opinions of how he races. M/S/P to give him the /+6/ on buoy, increasing his buoy rating from +12 to +18 for this first reading and do some more research. Wes Selby, Area D representative, will make a spreadsheet on “Fast 40” Fleet for next month.

KAHOLO s/n 56468, (J-40), Martin Falk: New application – **Initial Reading**. Sent to Regional from Area B.
The board discussed several boats near this boat's size and configurations example: the J-37 SIDEKICK; LOOSE CHANGE and YOUR MOM. M/S/P to rate KAHOLO /78/78/78/.

CHEETAH s/n 87654, (Peterson 68) Chris Slagerman: **Initial Reading**. Area B rated this boat /-60/ RLC for 1/6/07 race only. This boat was discussed along with MEDICINE MAN and HOULA. The board compared it to MONGOOSE. The Area B representative noted that he weighed the boat and it weighs 3600 lbs. The owner has been notified. Discussion continued with M/S/P to rate CHEETAH /-54/-60/63/ subject to the Big Boat Review.

HOLUA s/n 97656, (SCZ70 Brack Duker: **Initial Reading**. Area B rated this boat /-84/ RLC for 1/6/0707 race only. This boat was discussed with MEDICINE MAN AND CHEETAH. M/S/P to rate HOLUA /-72/-84/-84 subject to the Big Boat Review.

MEDICINE MAN s/n 97777 (AND 63), Robert Lane: Request for Rating Review & modifications. **First Reading**
They are using an oversized spinnaker and a longer spinnaker pole and were rated in Area B, RLC /-114/ for 1/6/07 race only. The representatives of the boat noted that even though the boat now has a larger spinnaker and longer pole they wanted the rating to stay close to the same because their current rating is not representative of the boat's performance potential. The PHRF Chief Handicapper thought that their race history seems to substantiate the boat representative's claims noting that the board was actually making 2 decisions tonight, one for the rating disparity and the other for the larger kite and pole. A discussion ensued. M/S/P to hit MM /-6/-9/-12 for the larger kite and pole and then give them /+6/+6/+9/ for the previous disparity, resulting in a rating of /-105/-114/-117.

AMAZING GRACE s/n 18949 (FARR 55) Allen Puckett: Request for Rating review. **First Reading**
Jim Puckett and his father, Allen, addressed the board and handed out an impressive packet of race results, pictures, and information on the boat. The information included several race results and comparisons.
Allen added a bit of history on how the boat was obtained and maintained and why they were asking for a better rating. Jim explained the spread sheet race information and asked the board how the RSA was calculated. The PHRF Chief Handicapper explained the calculations to him. He asked for a rating of 15/20/20. He noted that he can't race in the cruising class due to the boat's present rating of /15/0/0. The board questioned him on his race results and compared AMAZING GRACE to WHISTLE WIND. The Pucketts asked for a decision tonight so he could enter the Puerta Vallarta Race in the cruising class. The Chief Handicapper explained to the men the rating process and suggested the board make an attempt to do an email vote on a Second Reading by February 10th so he could enter the race. M/S/P to rate AMAZING GRACE /18/12/12/ and try to take a second vote by email before February 10 so the secretary could get them a certificate before the Puerta Vallarta race.

HOOLIGAN s/n 67650 (Cat 38), Clarke Baxter: Modification for a new rudder
Even though HOOLIGAN was not on the agenda Mr. Baxter was allowed to present his case to the board by the PHRF Chief Handicapper regarding the new rudder on his boat. He handed out information and pictures and told the board that the rudder originally designed for his boat was no longer available so he had to use the Cal 40 rudder. It's lighter and has a stainless steel shaft. This rudder is a common replacement form Catalina 38's and Cal 40's. Other boats are using the rudder, but may not have apprised PHRF of the equivalent replacement. He asked the board to keep his rating the same. Mr. Baxter was excused, The board discussed the matter. M/S/P to leave his rating the same.

FLYING LATEEN s/n 56472 (CAL 20 modified) Robert Short: Initial Reading

The PHRF Chief Handicapper addressed the board regarding this boat and recommended /198/198/along with his reasons. A discussion ensued regarding the other CAL 20's versus this modified version. M/S/P to rate FLYING LATEEN /198/198/ with no non spin offset and Category 4 racing only.

SHADOW s/n 51044 (FARR 40) Tom Parker: Modifications: new oversized spinnaker – (formerly STRESSLESS)

The PHRF Chief Handicapper addressed the board and recommended a rating of /0/-3/-6/ for the O/S MHD kites. Discussion ended with M/S/P to rate SHADOW /0/-3/-6/.

MR VENGEANCE s/n 97284 (Peterson 8.5M) Sinclair Bishop: Initial Reading - New Application for Membership pending board approval. Note: The '06 PHRF board refused membership to the owner. No disciplinary action has been taken yet on this boat for racing with an incorrect rating and providing incorrect or incomplete dimensions.

Before Mr. Bishop addressed the board the PHRF Chief Handicapper and pointed out three topics for consideration. Mr. Bishop was invited into the meeting and addressed the board asking them how they came to the decision on his boat's rating. The PHRF Chief Handicapper explained that parametrics and limited VPP's were used to develop an initial handicap. Mr. Bishop did not agree with the method used to develop the initial rating for his boat. The Chief Handicapper further explained the numbers. Mr. Bishop stated that they did not take into consideration the crew weight, and defended the draft he originally reported. A question was asked from the board on how the boat placed in the races it was in last year. Mr. Bishop gave verbal race results and asked for a rating of /96/.

The subject of the "trapeze issue" was brought up and Mr. Bishop declined to discuss the issue at that time stating that he had never been given a sufficient explanation as to why the Southern California PHRF and the National PHRF do not allow the use of the trapeze in racing.

The representative from Area B asked Mr. Bishop to continue with his race results. He gave further verbal race results.

Mr. Bishop was excused and the board began discussing several topics under consideration, but did not come to conclusion.

M/S/P to table the discussion (due to the late hour) until the February meeting in order to bring the new members up to speed on what happened last year.

BRILLIANT s/n 7169, (J-100) Tim Fuller: Modification notes on the '07 renewal.

Time ran out on the meeting and the board did not get to look at this boat. The PHRF Secretary suggests to the board an email discussion and vote so the owner can get his certificate.

SAPPHIRE s/n 38008 (Synergy 1000) David Rasmussen: New application – Initial Reading

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Meeting adjourned at 10:43 PM

Respectfully submitted

Anita E. Cole

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