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

## MINUTES OF REGIONAL BOARD MEETING of April 17, 2007

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

## M/S/P to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2007 meeting.

New Business:

1. Anita has arranged for the next Regional Board meeting to be held at Buster's Beach House Restaurant on May 15 at 6 PM. The executive board approved the change. She will notify the board members by Email of the location of Buster's.

Old Business:

- Big Boat Alignment Report Chairman Robert Plant Robert reported that the first draft of the committee's report is finished. But there have been so many changes to the big boats since they started their review they have not been able to absorb them all and fit them into the report. The PHRF Chief Handicapper advised them to choose a cut off date and go from there. The board agreed with him. They will do their best the have the report finished by next month.
- 2. Rules and By-Law changes Judge Advocate

The Judge advocate addressed the board with his recommendations for changes to the Rules and By-Laws. He made a clarification to the change of the LOA rule and there was some discussion regarding which boats would then be eligible to race within the PHRF rules. M/S/P to change the LOA rule from 20 feet to 18.5 feet. The vote was unanimous. This ruling will allow boats such as the Open 5.70's and Rhodes 19's to participate in PHRF races. There was also discussion about revising Appendix C to reflect changes approved by the board in 2005 since the adjustments have been deleted.

3. Discussion of Provisional ratings. Discussion postponed till after the Newport/Ensenada Race.

President's Report – The PHRF President asked the board to keep the reports brief and to the point tonight because we have so many boats to rate. It was noted that due to the large quantity of boats to be rated and the short notice prior to the Newport to Ensenada race the board should be a bit conservative tonight in rating boats to be fair to all competitors in the fleet.

Vice President's Report – PHRF CHAMPS sponsorship is coming along. It's getting close!

Data Systems Report – The Data Systems officer has finished the first phase of his re-vamp of the web site. He asked the board take a few minutes to look at it, "cut it apart", and make comments or recommendations.

Area Reports:

Area A - Not present

- Area B The Cheetah30, MOBY QUIK, was given a +6 on buoy in Area B from /66/ to /72/.
- Area C The BEN46, QUIVER, was rated /78/69/69 The Cal 246, GAVIOTA was rated /150/144/141/ The Cat 287, MINUET in SEA was rated /111/105/105/

Area D - The CARD46, SERENA, was rated /108/93/93

3 other boats ENTROPY, (TRIPP41); SEA GNOME, (KP44) and TRAVELER, (NTWD47) are being evaluated. They needed to do some research on these boats and plan to do email voting before the N2E race.

Area E/F – Not present

Area G – See their web site for meeting notes.

H. Chief Handicapper's Report:

PENDRAGON II s/n 77177 (DAV44), David Gray: Request for Rating Review – Second Reading The Fast 40 committee representative gave his opinion on this boat to the board and a discussion ensued regarding the oversized pole and the base rating as it is now. The board tabled this boat. They need more race data and information.

PENDRAGON IV s/n 97777, (DAV52), John Maclarin/Scott Dickson: <u>Modifications</u>: longer pole and larger spinnakers. – Second Reading. At the February R.B. meeting the board voted this boat /-63/-69/-81/ for a MHD certificate and /-54/-60/-72/ for a FCT certificate. It was tabled last month. Scott Dickson addressed the board and handed out a new packet of data that he prepared supporting his opinion and comparing PENDRAGON IV to MARGARITVILLE, LOCOMOTION, GI, STAGHOUND & HOLUA. The board asked several questions with regard to light air racing results. Scott was excused and the board discussed his information and their first rating decision. The Area D representative added his opinion regarding which class this boat should be racing in. Discussion continued and the board voted. M/S/P to rate the boat /-63/-69/-81/ for the MHD configuration and /-54/-60/-72 for the FCT configuration.

MAD MAX & CAPTAIN SLUGGO s/n's 77855 & 77870 – Max Rosenberg and Michael Burke Email from Max questioning the validity of the Regional Board's decision to re-rate these 2 boats without notifying the owners and appealing to the Judge Advocate for a ruling. The Judge Advocate pointed the board to Rule 4.7 of the PHRF Rules and By-laws stating that they do not require a notice to a member of a Regional rating review. Further, notice was provided to the subject boats when the agenda for the meeting in question was posted on the Internet. This is confirmed, as Max Rosenberg was present at the meeting where his boat was re-rated. The Area D representative noted that he was on the committee that wrote those rules, but thinks that as a matter of courtesy PHRF should notify an owner of a pending review of their rating. The PHRF Secretary was instructed to notify owners when their boats have been put on the Regional Board Agenda for review as soon as possible. On certain occasions it will not be possible to notify an owner: such as in the case of a last minute review or protest. Note: this is should be a rare occasion.

PEREGRINE SPIRIT s/n 46953 (ERC380) G. A. Van Houweling: Request for Rating Review Second Reading. Previously, the board voted this boat /117/117/117 and asked the owner for more race data. No data was provided. A vote was tabled and the board will try to do an email vote before N2E.

BRAVURA s/n 46565 (FARR44) – Paul Katz & Stan Reisch - Request for Rating Review and request for a second certificate for a 10% longer pole. – Second Reading

The Board tabled this discussion last month and sent the boat to Wes Selby's Fast 40 committee for a recommendation. Wes recommends that the board leave his rating the same even with the longer pole. Stan addressed the board, answered questions about how the boat is maintained and sailed. The discussion centered around the boat's race results as compared to the age of her sails and maintenance. Stan was excused and the board discussed the boat. M/S/P to rate BRAVURA /33/33/33/ with the standard pole and issue a second certificate at /27/27/27 for the long pole. This rating is provisional.

RASA s/n 46886 (ISL36T) – Ken Ziegler, Request for Rating Review – Second Reading The board voted to rate RASA /138/138/138/ last month.

Ken addressed the board and went over some of what he presented last month. He requested the board to keep the rating at /138/ as voted on last month. A board member questioned him as to when and where he

races. He answered the questions and was excused. The board voted to rate RASA /138/138/138 and the secretary was instructed to notify the Area E/F Board of the decision.

STEALTH CHICKEN s/n 46194 (Perry56) – Tim Beatty, Modifications – Second Reading New AYSO, carbon fiber mast and longer pole. Requested by Warren Gross.

Last month the board voted to rate STEALTH CHICKEN /-30/-36/-33/ and note the certificate /-6/ for the carbon mast; /-6/ for the o/s pole and /+3/ OWC (only race history for OWC was presented to the board). This decision is subject to the Big Boat Review. The decision was tabled until next month.

PICANTE s/n 56372 (J133) – Tom & Doug Jorgensen, Modifications. New AYSO and O/S Pole This boat was in the process of an email vote for /9/0/-6/ for the modifications as recommended by the Chief Handicapper. We had 5 yes votes tabulated. There was a short discussion and the board voted. M/S/P to rate PICANTE /+9/0/-6/. The PHRF Secretary was instructed to notify NOSA that this boat was rated with a pole and a sprit and suggest that the boat not race in the sprit class.

HO'OKOLOHE s/n 97301 (FARR55M) – Alyson & Cecil Rossi, New App. with O/S Spinn. & Pole The PHRF Chief Handicapper handed out spread sheets re: comparisons between this boat and others. This boat used to be LUCINDA MAE. It is noted that the board found it odd that a 55' boat should have a 58' waterline. The Chief Handicapper called the owner during the meeting and he confirmed some measurements were accurate. The board tabled a rating for this boat for more information. The owner was asked on the phone to provide more information, pictures etc. to the Chief Handicapper.

SUPER STRINGS s/n USA 2379 (J24) – Doug Hosford, new application w/OS spinnaker & pole The PHRF Secretary handed out the information on this boat and after a short discussion the board voted to rate this boat /171/171/171/. M/S/P. The board does not think the dimensions he reports are accurate and will rate him the standard rating of /174/174/174 if he provides dimensions showing that the boat meets one-design requirements.

FIREFLY, s/n 26001 (Sierra26) – Kurt Pearson. Request for Rating review – First Reading The PHRF Secretary handed out the information Kurt sent in and the Chief Handicapper read a letter from the owner outlining the changes he's made to the boat including pulpits and lifelines. No race results were included in his request. The board concluded that they did not have enough information and tabled a rating vote. He will be asked to provide race results.

RAGTIME, s/n 7960 (custom 62' Sloop) – Chris Welch – Request for Rating Review – First Reading The secretary handed out the R. R. Request information sent in. The Chief Handicapper noted that the race results provided may be incomplete and were not summarized. The boat had been modified with changes to it including installing a carbon fiber mast and an increase in height from 60.7' to 63'. The Area D representative suggested an adjustment of /-9/ to /-45/-57/-57. M/S/P to rate RAGTIME /-45/-57/-57. Chris came in and addressed the board after the vote was concluded. (Apparently they couldn't find him in the club to tell him his boat was "up") He provided additional information after which a discussion ensured. The discussion concluded with a vote to adjust his rating /-6/ sec/mi. and rate RAGTIME temporarily, at /-54/ OWC only for the N2E race.

CHEETAH, s/n 87654 (PET68) – Chris Slagerman – Request for Rating Review – First Reading Modifications. Pole from 22' to 33' and larger AYSO

The PHRF Secretary handed out the information submitted and the board discussed his race results. The PHRF Chief Handicapper recommended /-12/-15/-18/ for the 33' pole and 50% larger kite. The discussion continued comparing CHEETAH with other large boats. A vote was taken. M/S/P to change this boat's rating to /-66/-75/-81/. Provisional and subject to the Big Boat Review.

JENNY, s/n 92323 (SAN22M) – Sheldon Miller – Request for Rating Review – First Reading The secretary handed out the information submitted and the board discussed the changes and the dimensions. A vote was taken. M/S/P to change the rating of this boat to /207/201/201/.

MORNING STAR, s/n 9018 (BEN456VT) – Christopher Harbonville – Request for Rating Review – First Reading.

The secretary handed out the submitted information. Christopher addressed the board & told them his first rating will not allow him to race buoy or RLC successfully and handed out race results showing how the boat fared in light wind as opposed to heavier. (17 to 23 knots) The board asked several questions about which races he participated in and his racing history. Christopher was excused and the board discussed his information. One of the Area D representatives told the board about his experience with a boat just like MORNING STAR. One of the Area G representatives also spoke of his knowledge of how these boats do in light air. The board also discussed how the boat is maintained along with the age and upkeep of his sail inventory. A vote was taken. M/S/P to keep the rating the same.

WESTERLY, s/n 18997 (SCZ70) – Tim & Tom Hogan – Modifications, Oversized pole and AYSO The secretary handed out the submitted information and the Chief Handicapper handed out delta information on this boat. The board discussed the modifications along with comparing WESTERLY with HOLUA, GI, SKYLARK, and PRINCE. They discussed their similarities and differences. The Chief Handicapper recommended changing the rating to /-69/-84/-87/. Discussion continued and a vote was taken. M/S/P to change WESTERLY's rating to /-69/-84/-87.

STARK RAVING MAD II, s/n USA 52566 (RP66) – Jim Madden – Request for a 2<sup>nd</sup> Certificate for an oversized MHD Genoa.

The board was in the process of an e-mail vote regarding this request. There were 4 votes cast for /-135/-138/-138. The Chief Handicapper gave his reasons for recommending this rating. There was a short discussion and the board voted M/S/P to issue a second certificate with a /-9/-9/-9/ adjustment to the rating on its "non-masthead certificate to /-135/-138/-138/. The 2<sup>nd</sup> certificate to be noted for the use of a "Masthead Non-Conforming Headsail".

## LOCOMOTION, (AND45)

The board discussed that it had not given adequate consideration to the amount of weight added to the boat and its shorter spinnaker pole last month when it voted to approve a rating of /-30/-33/-45 which made no adjustment to LOCO's previous OWC rating. The board voted to increase the OWC rating only by +3. A new certificate will be issued containing the ratings of /-30/-33/-42.

HOLUA & TACHYON III – Pryor to the meeting tonight Email votes were taken. The Regional Board approved rating of /-75/-84/-87 for HOLUA and /-27/-33/-36/ for TACHYON III

The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 PM

Respectfully Submitted Anita Cole Fleet Secretary, PHRF of Southern California