

PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Regional Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 21, 2009 – 6 PM at LBYC

Attendance: President: Christopher Bennett; Vice President: Eric McClure; Chief Handicapper: Cole Price; Judge Advocate: Steven Ernest; Data Systems: David Zaveski; Area B: Bruce Fleck; Area C: Rick Gorman; Area D: Robert Plant and Wes Selby; Area E: Louis Holmes; Area G Michael Roach and Anita Cole, Fleet Secretary. Guest: former PHRF President, Zoltan Katinszky

The meeting began at 6:07 PM

The minutes from the June 16th meeting were approved.

New Business:

No new business

Old Business:

Fast 40 Fleet Review Report – Wes Selby and Chief Handicapper: Cole Price

The FARR 40 owners were notified of the review and asked to come in this month for a discussion of their ratings. Representatives of the FARR 40 fleet attending: Zoltan Katinszky, David Voss, John Turpin and Steve Murphy. Zoltan handed out a packet of information and spoke passionately about their ratings, race history and results. He told the board that these boats do not need a rating adjustment just because they win their share of races. Next David handed out a packet of information comparing their ratings along with the ratings of their competitor's boats to the USPHRF national averages plus another packet of more detailed race comparisons from several PHRF CHAMPIONSHIP Regattas and then addressed the board at length. He went on to discuss how his boat is prepared and crewed noting that if the PHRF Regional board "knocks" their rating then they will be placed into a division of larger boats and won't be able to compete. David also handed out a packet of distance race results. John made a short statement about how his boat is prepared and crewed. The men were then excused and the board began a discussion of their presentation.

Wes addressed the board and explained the fleet comparison report he presented to the board last month noting that the rating of the fractional configuration of the FARR 40 is the one under scrutiny. One of the chairman stated that the national average for the FARR 40's is /6/ and believes that the /12/ they have now is a bit of a gift. The Chief Handicapper also noted that the national PHRF board is largely made up of representatives from smaller areas (less than 300 boats) and so their ratings are not as pertinent to Southern California because of the size of our fleet and varied race conditions, plus PHRF SO CAL has extensive race history collected on these boats. The discussion continued and the Area C Chairman suggested that the Fast 40 fleet along with some other fleets need further research. He volunteered to take over this review and develop an outline to be presented next month. The discussion was then tabled until next month. The ratings for the FARR 40' were not adjusted at this meeting.

Access to Member Information: The Data Systems officer finished the system whereby the Fleet Secretary can distribute members' address labels to yacht clubs and race organizers for a fee. He noted that it still needs a bit of "tweaking" to make it more efficient and is working on it. The system will be used for email address as well. This will be a pay/fee system when labels are requested. The board discussed several options for the fee/s and decided M/S/P to charge \$30 per Area (Areas A to G) for the

labels, except for Charity Regattas who agree to note/acknowledge PHRF of SO CAL on their Notice of Race. The PHRF President will decide whether the Regatta is a Charity/non-profit event.

President's Report: No report this month

Vice President's Report: The PHRF Secretary reported that the response to the PHRF Championship NOR's has been less than satisfactory. Several members of the board advised her that they intend to enter the race and asked her to send an email to the members using the new system to remind/encourage more participation.

The Vice-President reported that PHRF has been asked to move the 2010 CHAMPS to the second weekend of August (8/14-15) by the organizers of the Santa Barbara to King Harbor Regatta. The secretary will check with Del Rey Yacht Club about those dates.

Data Systems Report: See Access to Member information discussion above.

Area Reports: A-G

Area A: Not in attendance

Area B: The Area B board discussed the SAN30GP, REDLINE regarding its area buoy rating and would like Regional to address the base rating. See #6 of these minutes.

Area C: No meeting this month.

Area D: The Area D board re-rated BOLT /-6/-9/-9/ for their area only

Area E/F: No meeting this month

Area G: Discussed rating multi hulls, but referred the owner of a Corsair 24 to Xcess or ORCA

Chief Handicapper's Report:

1. DÉJÀ VU s/n 35008 (ID35) Thomas Payne – Request for Rating Review. 2nd Reading
Tom addressed the board still maintaining that the rating for the 1D 35's is wrong but didn't bring the requested race results spreadsheet. Aaron Feves of LUCKY was present as well. After a short discussion and several questions the men were excused and the board voted M/S/P to re-rate the 1D35's /+6/ on RLC from 39/27/27/ to 39/33/27/ and identify them as one designs.

2. MER-SEA, s/n 56727 (BEN523) Thomas Hynes – Request for Rating Review – 1st Reading.
Tom addressed the boat and handed out some information. He stated that because of the PHRF rating NOSA (Newport to Ensenada Race) puts him in a class that he can't possibly compete in. The board asked several questions about his sails and a board member noticed that the draft on his application was 7.6 but the data sheet he handed out noted 7.9. The certificate will be corrected to 7' 9". Dennis Dean was present and answered several questions as well. The board excused the men and the discussion ended with a vote M/S/P for no change to the rating at this time. He was advised to do some more racing and then ask for a rating review with race results.

3. MARISOL. s/n's 56443 & 56443A (J124) Seth Hall – Request for Rating Review
Seth would like the board to rethink the penalty for the one inch oversized pole. No race data presented. After some discussion the board voted to deny this review and ask the owner to provide race results.

4. PROBLEM CHILD, s/n's 50665 and 50665M (B32) Dan Rossen – Modification

Dan could not be at the meeting but sent his request via the Area D chairman. He wants to know if he can get a /+6/ rating adjustment if he adds a 2 foot sprit to his boat but doesn't use his O/S pole and a /-3/ penalty if he uses both in a race. The board discussed a /+3/+3/+3/ rating adjustment to 50665M for the sprit (no pole) and a /-3/-6/-6/ if he uses both. The discussion was tabled until Dan could be at the meeting next month.

5. UHAMBO, s/n 56134 (Fast 42) David Chase – modification - a new main (roach & hoist)

Anita handed out the diagrams of the 2 proposed new mains. The board discussed the dimensions of the new mains and decided to advise him that they would probably adjust his current rating by /-9/-9/-9/ for the first proposed main and a /-12/-12/-12 adjustment for the second proposed main. He will also be advised that he must formally apply for the O/S main rating before the board makes a final decision.

6. SAN30GP, REDLINE s/n 87635 – Rating question from Area B regarding the rating.

The regional rating for all the SAN30GP's is /114/114/114/. All other areas rate the boat /120/120/120/ except Area B which rates REDLINE and CRIMSON STAR /117/117/117/.

After some discussion the regional board advised the Area B chairman that if these boats want a Regional rating adjustment they should apply for a rating review and provide race results. Discussion tabled.

7. The J37 SIDEKICK s/n 41626 – Rating question

In April the Regional board voted a /+6/+6/+6/ rating change to CAYENNE. SIDEKICK wants the same rating adjustment.

The representatives of SIDEKICK may request a rating review, but the adjustment was to be for Area D only.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM

Respectfully submitted by the PHRF Fleet Secretary: Anita Cole

The next meeting of the PHRF of Southern California Regional Board will be August 18th at LBYC in Long Beach.