

PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Regional Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 20, 2012 – 6 PM at LBYC

Attendance: President: Steven Ernest; Vice President: Rick Gorman; Chief Handicapper: Cole Price; Judge Advocate: Jerry Montgomery; Data Systems: Rick von Heydenreich; Area A: Eric Schlageter; Area B: Jerry Kaye; Area C: Zoltan Katinszky; Area D: Robert Plant, Dan Rosen and Chris Hemans; Area G: Mike Riddle & Walter Schaefer and Fleet Secretary: Anita Cole.

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM

The minutes from the February 21, 2012 meeting were reviewed and approved.

New Business:

MIR Waiver requests for Zach Keller and Ransom Morse made by David Servais manager of the TP52 BUD were approved.

Old Business:

President's Report:

The PHRF President began his report by re-stating his request for suggestions/ideas on ways to spend some money to encourage more participation in our sport. The Area G representative suggested a couple of charity organizations in San Diego that sponsor racing events for the handicapped. The board members agreed to do some research and bring ideas next month. The office has stopped charging for regatta email "blasts" as was directed last month. He reported that SCYA has requested a representative from PHRF SO CAL to attend their board meetings. The PHRF Judge Advocate volunteered to attend as many as he can. The president then congratulated the PHRF Vice President for a job well done in making a spreadsheet of the questionnaires that were returned by our members. Next the president addressed the issue of term limits for Regional and Area Board members: 9.2c in our rules. He reminded the board that terms are limited to 4 years with a 2 year hiatus before returning to a Regional or Area board. A regional board member can volunteer on a local board for those two years and then return to the Regional board. The Judge Advocate also reminded the board that any volunteer must have been a member of PHRF SO CAL for at least 2 years.

Vice President's Report:

A question was raised about the Ullman Inshore Series participation in this year's PHRF Championship Regatta. The PHRF Vice President said he will find out what their plans are. It was also suggested that PHRF offer jackets, vests and sports bags as prizes for 1st through 3rd place winners this year in addition to the perpetual trophies. He will coordinate with Seal Beach Yacht Club about their plans for trophies and prizes. When decided the information will be published on our website as an encouragement for more participation in the regatta.

Data Systems Report:

The Data Systems officer handed out his highly anticipated spreadsheet report on the "green sheet" questionnaire project. The board congratulated him again for his hard work. After a short discussion it was decided to publish the spreadsheet after board review and after removing any privacy issues. Several members have indicated interest in the results. The members will read over the report and coordinate with the PHRF Chief Handicapper regarding recommendations to the whole board regarding rating reviews.

Area Reports: A-I

Area A: No Meeting

Area B: No Meeting

Area C: No Meeting

Area D: Met and discussed the J124's in their area as well as the J124, MARISOL. They voted a rating change for the boat's 56443A certificate. MARISOL's area rating will go from /36/33/33/ to /39/39/39/.

Area E-F: Not in attendance

Area G: Met and discussed the BEN33.7 KIND OF BLUE, s/n 7005 changing its Area rating from /120/117/117/ to /126/123/123/.

Area I: Not in attendance

Chief Handicapper's Report:

1. JAVELIN, s/n 52592 (FARR49) David Fell – Request for Rating Review - 2nd Reading
Last month the board voted to re-rate JAVELIN from /-30/-27/-24/ to /-27/-24/-21/. At this reading the boat's owner and representatives brought in a more complete race data spreadsheet asking for a rating of /0/0/0/. After another presentation and some questions the men were excused and the board voted a rating change from /-30/-27/-24/ to /-21/-21/-15/.
2. SOOZAL, s/n 60408 (KING 40) Daniel Woolery – Initial rating.
Last month the rating decision was tabled pending receipt of ballast information. The ballast weight is reported as 7,055 lbs. Dan Woolery addressed the board explaining this new “cruiser/racer” and its history and asked for a rating of /24/24/24/. He was excused and after a short discussion the board voted a rating of /18/18/15/. It is a provisional rating.
3. A LITTLE CRAZY, s/n US 45 & US 45A (WWAB24) Robert Plant – Req. Rating Review -1st Reading.
Robert addressed the board explaining the boat's race history and his experiences racing the boat. He handed out race results and asked for a rating of /156/153/ for the stock configuration. The trapeze is not used in the boat's MHD configuration. He was excused and the board voted a rating change to US 45, the stock configuration. The rating will go from /126/126/ to /132/132/ (which is consistent to the boat's rating elsewhere in the US) along with some certificate corrections. The PHRF Chief Handicapper suggested that Robert ask his Area for a rating adjustment due to that area's local wind and sea conditions.
4. UHAMBO, s/n 56134 (FAST42) David Chase & Anne Fitzgerald – Modifications/restoration
Anita handed out the information sent in by the owners and the Chief Handicapper explained the restoration and modifications including the new carbon fiber mast and new keel. He suggested a rating change of /-9/ or /-12/. The Area A representative agreed with his assessment. After the board discussed the changes and modifications they voted for a rating change from /54/51/48/ to /45/39/39/.
5. VARUNA, s/n 60100 (Rogers46) Chris Hemans – Initial Rating.
Chris handed out information and explained the boat to the board. He compared it to the BLUE BLAZES among others. He asked for a rating of /-30/-33/-45/ or /-30/-36/-42/. He was then excused and the Chief Handicapper handed out a spreadsheet comparison. After a short discussion the board voted to rate VARUNA /-30/-33/-42/.

6. PURE GRACE, s/n 56256 (Hunter 30) John Sarton – Initial Rating

This boat was built in 1989. The dimensions do not match the Hunter 30's in the data base.

Anita handed out the application and the Chief Handicapper explained the differences in this boat from the others in the data base and recommended a rating of /189/189/192/. M/S/P to rate PURE GRACE as the Chief Handicapper recommended.

7. ALLEZ-Y, s/n 56257 (Catalina 310) William Lewis – Initial Rating

Anita handed out the application and the Chief Handicapper handed out a spreadsheet comparison and recommended a rating of /159/159/159/. The board discussed the boats on the spreadsheet and voted M/S/P a rating of /159/156/156/.

8. ALLEGRO NON TROPPO, s/n 7688 (Alerion Express 28) – Initial Rating and

KIPPS GIFT, s/n 56683 (Alerion Express 28) Bob Craven & Wendy Varnals – also Initial Rating
Anita handed out both applications and the Chief Handicapper handed out a spreadsheet comparison. He recommends a rating of /168/ or /174/. The board discussed the boats and the others on the spreadsheet and voted a rating of /156/156/XXX as the boats do not have lifelines.

9. JATO, s/n 7311 (J111) Michael Moorhead & Bill Webster – Request for Rating Review. 1st Reading

Michael gave a brief explanation and requested a rating adjustment from /30/24/18/ to /42/36/30/. Bill then addressed the board explaining the boat's history and performance around the country. The men were excused and the Chief Handicapper handed out a comparison spreadsheet. After some discussion the board voted to re-rate JATO from 30/24/18/ to 39/37/30/ - provisional. This is a first reading.

10. AURA, s/n 7684 (Ensign 22.6) William Schultz – Initial Rating

Anita handed out the application and the Chief Handicapper addressed the board recommending a rating of /216/213/213/. After some discussion a vote on a rating was tabled for more research. The owner will be notified. AURA will be on the agenda for next month's regional meeting.

11. ALCHEMY, s/n 97999 (Dencho70) Per Peterson; Arte Means – Modifications Changed to carbon mast and new AYSO.

Anita handed out the information sent in by the owners and the Chief Handicapper explained the modifications: 1 foot taller carbon fiber mast along with moving the Asail tack point and a stiffened rig plus a reduced size pole. After some discussion the board voted M/S/P for no rating change

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 PM.

The next PHRF Regional Handicapper's meeting will be Tuesday, April 17, 2012 - 6 PM at the Long Beach Yacht Club.