

PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Regional Board Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2014 at LBYC

Special Time – 5:00 PM

REGIONAL BOARD MEETING

In Attendance: - Rick von Heydenreich, Tim Racisz, Dan Rossen, Gordon Leon, Alex Cross, Bruce Cooper, Cole Price, Bob Hubbard, Jerry Kaye, Robert Plant, David Weil, Walter Shaffer, and Karen Campbell (Meeting called to order by A. Cross at 5:15 PM)

October Minutes:

- Motion to approve/passed

Old Business:

- 2015 PHRF Championship Regatta:
 - Vice President and 2015 Chairman, recapped the negotiations with Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club on hosting the 2015 Regatta on August 1-2, 2015.
 - CBYC Committee: Jib Kelly - Chairman, M'Liz Callender, Flag Officer In Charge.
 - Major Sponsors – Ullman Sails, Mt. Gay Rum.

New Business:

- No new business

President's Report:

- President thanked all for working so well together this year.
- A special thanks to Data Systems Manager:
 - Within a year, rating applications are easier and faster to process and issue.

Vice President's Report:

- See Old Business – 2015 PHRF Championship Regatta
- Newsletters to members is being planned for 2015.
 - Hunt for a member to take on the newsletter underway.

Judge Advocate's Report:

- No report for Regional Meeting; however, see Annual General Meeting Minutes.

Interim Treasurer's Report:

- October's Monthly report presented.
- 2015 Budget to be reported to Regional Board in December.

Data Systems Report:

- The Google 2009 Rules problem has been corrected.
- Area G representative asked if there a way to make current roster on one page.
 - Unfortunately, it takes too long to load so roster is listed on four (4) pages by sail numbers.
- Files will be moved from prior Fleet Secretary's home to the shop later in the week.

Fleet Secretary's Report:

- Renewal emails have been send to all current members.

AREA REPORT

AREA A: [Vacant]:

- No Report

AREA B: Jerry Kaye:

- No Area B Meeting.
- Asked if the changes to the Rules require approval.
 - Judge Advocate explained that Regional Board hears First Reading, Area Chairmen report to their areas, Second Reading by Regional Board for final approval.

AREA C: Tim Racisz:

- Held a meeting.
 - No boats were reviewed, but
 - Discussed a future newsletter, cruiser handicap issues, and the website.

AREA D: Dan Rossen:

- No meeting.

AREA E/F: Charles Gamlich: - Not in attendance

- B. Cooper reported that Sue Senescu was approached and is willing to be new representative for Area E/F 2015.

AREA G: Walter Shaffer:

- New Area G representative will be Joe Saad.
- Rate change adjusted for SPITFIRE, a Cherubini 44 is now /141/120/120/.
 - Email will be sent to Fleet Secretary to revise Area G rating.
- Area G finished the year with 250 rating certificates, including 15 multihulls, representing a 20% increase in rating certificates over the previous year.
- Area G is continuing to work on improving its database; the new database should be capable of handling ratings for sail area and other anomalous configurations such as PHRF SoCal is now considering.

AREA I: Lisa Gilinger:

- No report

Sports Boat Advisor: Robert Plant:

- No report

Chief Handicapper's Report:

- **DRAFT – “Appendix D-1” to the Racing Rules: Racer/Cruiser Adjustments**
 - Discussed how to look at cruisers wanting to race.
 - Also, rating brand new boats with roller jibs/main.
 - Should be able to race as they come out of production and be competitive.
 - Made changes so boats can race without buying PHRF sails or purchased new sails.
 - “Optimizing” should be looked at differently for this group of boats.
 - Take base rating then adjust for cruiser configuration for an extra fee
 - Suggested that Regional Board review the Santa Monica Bay Cruising Rules.
 - January will be the time to really look at the issue.
- **VIVA LA VIDA (S/N 7181), Beneteau First 30 – Request for Rating Review. SECOND READING**
Robert Plant presented as Interim Chief Handicapper
 - Current rating : /84/78/78/
 - Owner is not in attendance
 - **Motion /+9/+6/+6/ to 93/84/84; discussion re no random leg data. Motion passed.**

- **West Coast 70 Sleds – Request for Rating Review. FIRST READING –**
 - Tabled until a formal Report submitted by the West Coast Sleds.

Open Discussion:

- Jerry Montgomery discussed elimination of safety equipment rules under PHRF SoCal revised Rules.
 - It was noted that a notice of this pending change had been distributed in April 2014 via email to all SCYA yacht clubs.
- Concerned with last minute renewals for 2015 prior to early January races, DRYC is willing to take either 2014 or 2015 certificate.
- Fleet Secretary sent an email blast to all current members to renew timely.
 - Will send additional reminders prior to December 20th to assist with DRYC's January 3, 2015 regatta.
- Judge Advocate suggested that in the future, PHRF SoCal might want to change renewal to **February 1.**

Meeting Adjourned: 6:30 PM

ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP AGENDA (See Attached)

**Next Meeting: REGIONAL BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, January 20, 2015 (correction from Agenda)
(No Regional Board Meeting Scheduled for December)
Long Beach Yacht Club
6:00 PM**

PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Annual General Membership Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2014 at LBYC

7:00 PM

Meeting called to order: 7:15 pm

October Minutes: Presented as approved

Old Business: -

- Overview for members and guest in attendance of website updates
- Introduction of 2014 Executive and Area Board Members
- 2014 PHRF SoCal Championship Regatta Perpetual and Crew Take Away Trophies – see below
- 2015 PHRF Championship Regatta update.
 - Host club will be CBYC on August 1-2, 2015 and will be sponsored by Ullman Sails.
 - Expecting 50-60 boats next year.
 - Plan to add multi hulls added to regatta.
- With professional assistance (advisors to be added to the Regional Board), will bring handicapping into the 21st Century.

New Business:

- Election of 2015 Executive Board Members
 - Presentation of Slate for the 2015 Executive Board Members
 - President: Alex Cross
 - Vice President: Gordon Leon
 - Treasurer: Bob Hubbard
 - Chief Handicapper: Robert Plant
 - Judge Advocate: David Weil
 - Data Systems Officer: Rick von Heydenreich
 - Nominations from the floor by General Membership – None.
 - Motion carries for the slate, as presented.
- Judge Advocate presented the most important changes to Amended and Restated Bylaws and Rules:
 - Rules available on line – PHRF SoCal is out of the safety business appendix B –
 - Skippers are solely responsible for the safety of their own vessel and for compliance with applicable rules and regulations established by government agencies, race organizers, and national sailing authorities.
 - Notice was sent to SCYA clubs in April 2014.
- PHRF SoCal cannot initiate rating review of a boat on its own; however, any Member In Good Standing can.
 - Rating Review Forms on Website available.
 - Three (3) anonymous individual Members In Good Standing within a calendar year, can initiate a review, or
 - A competitor that is a Member In Good Standing and is willing to be on the record can make a request.
- Conflict of interest – who can vote has been defined.
- Clean up and removed numerous ambiguities,
- Bylaws presented to members for a vote.
 - The addition of a new position of TREASURER on the Executive Board (See section 4.7 of the Bylaws).

- Section 3.6 Membership in PHRF SoCal is deemed to include the member's agreement that email is the sole form of communication that will be provided by PHRF to the member.
- Sections 9.2c & 9.3c (Sections dealing with conflicts of interest on voting during rating reviews)
- Moved member discipline provisions to Section 1.5 of the Rules.
- Bylaws, Section 9.3d (Eligibility For Area Handicap Board):
 - Members are eligible for Area Board after one (1) year of PHRF membership rather than two (2) years.
- Motion to approve Amended and Restated Bylaws-motion/second/passed

Presentation of 2014 PHRF SoCal Perpetual and Crew Take-Away Trophies

Adjourned: 7:55 PM

**Next Meeting: REGIONAL BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, January 20, 2015
Long Beach Yacht Club
6:00 PM**