

# PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

## Regional Board Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2015 at Long Beach Yacht Club

**6:00 PM**

**In Attendance:** Alex Cross, Rick von Heydenreich, David Weil, Bob Hubbard, Tim Racisz, Jerry Kaye, Bruce Cooper, Dan Rossen, Bryan Dair, Doug Hosford, Joe Saad, Lisa Gilinger, Gordon Leon, Mike Roach

### **Approval of September Minutes:**

- **September Minutes approved by Email and posted on website**

### **Old Business:**

- No Old Business

### **New Business:**

- No New Business

### **President's Report:**

- Corinthian Adjustments
  - Handed out the current version of Corinthian Adjustments for review
  - Santa Monica Bay system was used as the base
  - Judge Advocate outlined changes
  - Revised version will be emailed to Regional Board
  - Regional Board shall vote on Corinthian Adjustments
- Technology Initiative
  - Executive Board has approved a budget for communication between Regional Meeting and various yacht clubs in SoCal
  - See Data Systems Report for more information (below)
- 2016 PHRF SoCal Officers' Nominations
  - Nominating Committee has been selected
  - Slate of 2016 Officers selected are:
    - President: Gordon Leon
    - Vice President: Lisa Gilinger
    - Treasurer: Bob Hubbard
    - Judge Advocate: David Weil
    - Data Systems Manager: Rick von Heydenreich
    - Chief Handicapper: Robert Plant
- 2015 PHRF SoCal
  - Jackets for winners, other items for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places

### **Vice President's Report:**

- PHRF Championship Regatta Discussion
  - Vice President reported that he had numerous discussions with Ullman Sails, BYC and DRYC
  - DRYC is available prior to Santa Barbara to King Harbor race
    - Does not seem like a good weekend
    - Jerry Kaye to confirm optional dates off agenda
    - July or August would be preferred
  - Discussion of a Friday evening (coaching from various sail makers) and weather talk, racing on Saturday with Sunday being a boat return day

- One day regatta
- “Championship” –
  - Areas nominate boats for a “championship”
  - One Design, team racing, PHRF
  - Different formats were discussed
- Forward any potential sponsorship information to Vice President

**Judge Advocate’s Report:**

- Lizzy B appeal will have a conference call with US Sailing next week
  - Requested Area B representative to submit Lizzy B’s race results and 1 page of observations
- Midyear Bylaw changes will be presented to the General Membership in November

**Treasurer’s Report:**

- Monthly Report
  - As of end of September 2015
    - 846 members

**Data Systems Report:**

- Will try in January, use SDYC and SBYC as a beta test telecommunicate via video
  - Open discussion between attendees thru video connection
  - Ultimate goal to have other yacht clubs then transition to members able to lessen from home
- Multihull data entry is being finalized with Pete Melvin

**Fleet Secretary’s Report:** Not In Attendance

- No report

**Newsletter Editor’s Report:** Not In Attendance

- No Report

**AREA REPORT**

**AREA A:** [Vacant]

**AREA B:** Jerry Kaye

- Board members recommended that new rules about re-hearing boats within 6 months - 1 year unless compelling new information submitted
- Minimum number of race results must be submitted

**AREA C:** Tim Racisz

- In October, no quorum for J105 rating review, will attempt for November

**AREA D:** Dan Rossen

- Need to have the others comment regarding anonymous reviews, not the responsibility of the one who is being reviewed

**AREA E/F:** Doug Hosford

- Area Representation will be the sole responsibility of Doug Hosford
- No current ratings reviewed

**AREA G:** Joe Saad

- Anonymous requests do not have any responsibility to submit any evidence, sole responsibility of Chief Handicapper and owner

**AREA I:** Lisa Gilinger

- No meeting, however, discussion concerning ratings of upcoming boat for review

**ADVISORS:**

**Sports Boat:** Daniel Geissmann

**Multihull:** Pete Melvin

**Cruiser:** Bryan Dair

**Big Boat:** Sam Heck

**Chief Handicapper's Report:**

- Anonymous Reviews
  - Difficulties with noticing, and materials
  - Suggested that to some changes
    - Review by Regional Board first as to validity
    - 29 days' notice to owners with information of what they are to respond to

- **INDIVIDUAL BOAT AND/OR FLEET REVIEWS**

- **Time/Est.**

**GROUP 1 – 6:45PM TO 7:30PM**

- **TARTINI TIME (54001) TARTAN 4400 – INITIAL RATING – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING (BD)**

Alan Paul

(Rec'd 5/28/15)

6/12/15 90 Day Temporary Rating /102/102/102/

No spin pole

- 8/21/15 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: Tabled and 90-day extended/ S/P
- **9/15/15 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: /102/102/102/ S/P**
- **10/20/15 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Motion: /120/102/102/ S/P**

- **CABERNET SKY (56269) BEN48OC – INITIAL RATING/1<sup>ST</sup> READING (DG)**

Charles Buckner

(Rec'd 7/13/15 – Follow up measurements 7/17/15)

Owner may request 90-day temporary rating

- **8/21/15 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: Tabled/ S/P**
- **8/25/15 90-Day Temporary Rating issued /78/66/72/**
- **10/20/15 – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: /96/75/84/ S/P**

- **DANGER ZONE (4128 TAYLOR 32 – RATING REVIEW – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING (DG)**

Stephen Keneally/Greg Koss

(Rec'd 9/24/15)

Current Rating: /36/15/6/

Area I Rating: /45/15/6/

- Greg Koss presented information in support of a base rating change of /55/
- Area Board can still adjust +3 additional seconds
- DANGER ZONE has only raced in Santa Barbara area
- New flat top main purchased a few months ago
- **10/20/15 – 1st Reading Motion /+6/ buoy only /S/P/ (/42/15/6/ for base regional but will need to request Area Rating Review)**

**GROUP 2 – 7:30PM TO 8:15PM**

- **DESTROYER (MEX-7552) – TP52 – INITIAL RATING/1<sup>ST</sup> READING (SH)**
  - Eduardo Saenze  
(Rec'd 9/2/15)  
9/4/15 – 90 Day Temporary Rating /-75/-81/-84/
  - **10/20/15 – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: /-75/-81/-87/ S/P**
  
- **LB (121) C&C SR 21 MAX – INITIAL RATING/1<sup>ST</sup> READING (DG)**
  - Carsten Owen (Lake Tahoe Windjammers YC – Visiting Yachtsman 5/1/15-email vote-passed)  
6/8/15 90 Day Temporary Rating /171/165/162/
  - **10/20/15 – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: /171/165/162/ S/P**
  
- **WABI SABI (56899) Wylct30 – MODIFICATION (RP) – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING**
  - Brian Green  
Current Rating /138/138/138/  
New larger mainsail  
**10/20/15 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: /132/132/132/ S/P – 1 Abstention**
  
- **J-100 FLEET REVIEW (DG) – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING**
  - Fleet Review request by Len Weitzman  
(Rec'd 9/29/15)
  - Len Weitzman and Lenny Shabes (and crew) presented information on behalf of J100 base regional rating review
    - Laid out differences between similar rated fleets
    - Tartan 101 submitted written argument to rating revisions
  - **10/20/15 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: No Change for J100, with a standard pole and normal PHRF configuration/ S/ Did not pass**
  - **10/20/15 Amended 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: /87/81/81/ with standard PHRF configuration (155% headsail, pole)/ S/P – 1 Opposed**

**GROUP 3 – 8:15PM TO 9:00PM**

- **PEACEMAKER (97432) ODAY 39 – RATING REQUEST/1<sup>ST</sup> READING**
  - Mike Price  
(Rec'd 9/8/15)  
Current Rating - /114/114/114/
  - Owner presented evidence in support of his request for rating review
  - **10/20/15 - 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: NO CHANGE/S/P – 3 Opposed**
  
- **MEXICAN DIVORCE (35010M) – 1D35 – ANONYMOUS RATING REVIEW REQUESTED (RP)/1<sup>ST</sup> READING**
  - Neil Fraser  
Current Rating /42/36/36/  
Owner notified 9/1/15
  - 9/9/15 - Owner requested postponement until October 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Neil Fraser presented argument against rating review

- Extensive sailing background
    - Listed repairs, maintenance, additions to inventory and race result history
  - Bob Zellmer spoke as a competitor
    - Discussed contemplated changes to his boat
  - **10/20/15 – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: /36/30/30/ S/P 2 Abstentions**
- **CHECKMATE (57961) CUST50 – ANONYMOUS RATING REVIEW REQUESTED/2<sup>ND</sup> READING**
  - John Garrison
  - Current Rating /30/30/30/
  - Owner notified 9/1/15
  - **9/15/15/1<sup>st</sup> Reading Motion: /21/21/21/ with owner to submit supporting evidence /S/P/ - 1 against**
  - 10/20/15 Chief Handicapper submitted results from prior races
  - **10/20/15 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Motion: TABLE for owner to respond, Chief Handicapper will contact owner personally**
- **HORIZON (18926) – SCZ50M – OPEN RATING REVIEW REQUESTED/2<sup>ND</sup> READING**
  - John Shulze
  - Current Rating /6/-6/-6/
  - Owner notified 9/8/15; 9/9/15
  - Request received on 9/2/15 from Paul Casanova (FLACA 18081 /12/0/0/)
  - Open rating review request was read into record:
    - For the last couple of years it has been almost impossible for us to correct over Horizon especially in OWC. This has caused me to look carefully at both the PHRF and ORR certificates to try and understand the change.
    - I have noticed that when they replaced the mast 4/12, they did so with a taller mast, and it does not appear the ratings reflected this change.
    - Please note the major differences affecting sail area:
 

	HORIZON	FLACA	
▪ I:	61.8	61	
▪ E:	19	17	
▪ ISP:	62.7	61	
▪ SPL:	20,3	19.08	
    - Based on these dimensions our actual sail areas OWC are dramatically different:
 

▪ Sail	Horizon	Flaca	Diff.
▪ Main	524	467	57
			+12%
    - ASYM                      1980                                      1780                      200 +11%
    - I'm sure you can see that these differences are significant especially in any course where the downwind legs are dominant.
    - Besides I would like to point out that comparing the ORR ratings for both of us, it works out that Horizon gives us 11 to 12 sec per mile in such races as Cabo, Vallarta as well as Ensenada....yet on PHRF we are forced to compete at only a 6 sec. differential.

- If we had been competing on a more level field, we would have corrected over Horizon in two of our previous races, the most recent, Long Point to Newport where we both had a great races yet they still bet us by 80 sec corrected.
- I enjoy racing and like everyone I enjoy placing, yet it's hard to get enthusiastic when competing against boats that no matter what we do, it is almost impossible to beat.
- Horizon is a well sailed boat, one that consistently does well, so far the only way to beat them is if they make a big mistake--doesn't happen very often.
- 9/15/15 Owner represented by Len Bose.
  - Results submitted to Regional Board
- **9/15/15 1<sup>ST</sup> READING MOTION: NO CHANGE/ S/P – 3 ABSTAIN**
- **10/20/15 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Motion: NO CHANGE/ S/P – 1 Opposed**

Meeting Adjourned: Motion/Approved

**Next Meeting:**

**REGIONAL BOARD MEETING  
Long Beach Yacht Club  
Tuesday, November 17, 2015  
6:00 PM**