

PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
MAY 19, 2020  
TELECONFERENCE

Regional Board Meeting Agenda - 6:00 PM  
Regional Board – Rating Of Boats – 7:00 PM

Regional Board Meeting - In Attendance:

REGIONAL BOARD MEMBERS – VOTING MEMBERS

• Executive Board

- |                     |               |
|---------------------|---------------|
| ○ President         | Dan Rossen    |
| ○ Vice President    | Paul Katz     |
| ○ Judge Advocate    | David Weil    |
| ○ Treasurer         | Bob Hubbard   |
| ○ Chief Handicapper | David Cattle  |
| ○ Data Systems Mgr. | Sue Griesbach |

• Area Board Representatives

- |                                 |                          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| ○ Area A - Venture/Oxnard       | [Vacant]                 |
| ○ Area B - MdR/KH               | John Staff               |
| ○ Area C - LB/LA                | Heinz Butner             |
| ○ Area D - Newport Beach        | Jeff Tighe               |
| ○ Area E/F-Dana Point/Oceanside | Bob Langan               |
| ○ Area G - San Diego            | <del>Ivan Batanov</del>  |
| ○ Area I - Santa Barbara        | <del>Lisa Gilinger</del> |

NON-VOTING ATTENDEES:

• Advisors/Administration

- |                     |                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| ○ Fleet Secretary   | Karen Campbell          |
| ○ Newsletter Editor | Paul Katz               |
| ○ Handicap Advisor  | <del>Robert Plant</del> |
| ○ Big Boat          | <del>Bruce Cooper</del> |
| ○ Cruiser           | <del>Bryan Dair</del>   |
| ○ Sport Boat        | John Staff              |
| ○ Advisor at Large  | <del>Jamie Myer</del>   |

- NOTE: ~~NOT IN ATTENDANCE~~

Via Teleconference:

- Please join the SoCal PHRF Meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone by going to
  - <https://www.gotomeet.me/PHRFSoCal>
  - (Try a test session: <http://link.gotomeeting.com/email-welcome>)

Old Business:

- PHRF SoCal Champs – Cal Race Week
  - Cal Yacht Club postponed
    - New Date August 1-2, 2020

New Business:

- No Report

President's Report:

- Recap points to be discussed during May Regional Board Meeting

**Vice President's Report:**

- No Report

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Monthly Report –
  - Income down from last year
  - Membership at 445 down from last year
    - 142 down from a year ago
    - Ensenada cancelled has affect 2020 membership
  - Go To Meeting has saved a great deal of money for Regional Board Meetings
    - Need to look into reducing monthly meeting costs once face to face meetings become available again

**Judge Advocate's Report:**

- Rule Changes was circulated by email before the meeting (see attached)
  - PHRF SoCal Rules follow Roberts Rules of Order unless specifically stated otherwise
  - 1.5b – Conflict of Interest
    - After the April Meeting
      - Ambiguities came to light
    - Changes to Rules made to clear up any issues in the future and to refine the definition of Conflict of Interest
  - 4.5c – Conduct during Rating Review re Conflict of Interest
    - Rule change when there is a conflict of interest, a Board member cannot partake in a private discussion not available to the other party(ies)
- Configuration Issues regarding a Stock Boat or One Design configuration
  - A second (or 3rd or 4th) ratings for a boat remain unchanged when the first certificate changes.
  - A change to one (1) configuration may not always translate to an identical change for all of the other configurations that a boat races under
    - Must request a Rating Review
- **5/19/20 – MOTION BY DAVID WEIL TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE RULES REGARDING CONFLICTS/SECOND BY B HUBBARD/PASSED, 1-NO, 2 ABSTENTIONS**

**[To Stay On Time, Business Meeting Postponed Until After Boat Reviews Were Completed]**

**Data Systems Report:**

- Suggestion Box
  - No submissions
- Go-To-Meeting costs have drop significantly (monthly fees)
- New Website will launch before the June Regional Board Meeting
- Regional Board Meeting Clarifications as to what parts of the Monthly Meetings are open to members and/or general public and which are closed sessions
  - Executive Board Meetings are Closed
    - Executive Board Members and
    - Other Regional Board Members, if not discussing confidential issues

- Regional Board meetings
  - All members in good standing have the right to sit in on a business session of all Regional Board meetings in addition to Boat Reviews

**Fleet Secretary's Report:**

- Google Docs
  - Available 24/7 for all Regional Board members and advisors
    - Organized by Meeting Dates or Not Yet To Be Scheduled
      - Subfiles by Boat Names and Sail Numbers
  - Discussion regarding a possible “hard” deadline for owners to submit prior to scheduled meetings
    - Tabled for future discussion
- Future meetings
  - LBYC (as an example of Yacht Club issues)
    - City of Long Beach has amended its “safer at home order” from May 15th to an “indefinite” period of time
    - Once City, County, State give “go-ahead” to reopen LBYC:
      - Member Only services should be available about 2 weeks later
      - Hosting events and banquets will be delayed further
  - Discussion for July Meeting regarding issues to complete the year
    - Some issues regarding May Meeting
    - Would like to be able to have face to face meetings in the future

**Newsletter Editor's Report:**

- No report

**AREA REPORT**

**AREA A:** [Vacant]

- No Report

**AREA B:** John Staff

- No Report

**AREA C:** Heinz Butner

- No Report
- Some Social Distancing Sailing on Tuesdays with 2-handed races, thinking about opening up on Saturdays

**AREA D:** Jeff Tighe

- No Report
- Thinking about social distancing races with Harbor 20s

**AREA E/F:** Bob Langan

- No Report

**AREA G:** Ivan Batanov (Not in attendance)

- No Report

**AREA I:** Lisa Gilinger

- No Report

**ADVISORS:**

**Handicap Advisor:** Robert Plant (Not in attendance)

**Sports Boat:** John Staff

- No Report

**Multihull:**

**Cruiser:** Bryan Dair (Not in attendance)  
**Big Boat/Ullman Sails:** Bruce Cooper (Not in attendance)  
Advisor At Large Jamie Myer (Not in attendance)

• **Chief Handicapper's Report:**

- Discussion regarding:
  - Has been having discussions with ORR
  - ORR is trying to refine its logarithm
  - Chief Handicapper will be trying “test” certificates
    - Paul Katz, Jeff Tighe, John Staff and Dan Rossen will meet off agenda
  
- **PURSUANT TO PHRF SOCIAL RULE 4.2c, THE FIRST AND SECOND READINGS MAY BE PERFORMED AT THE SAME MEETING OF THE REGIONAL BOARD.**
- **BOATS: 7 DAY OPPOSITION PERIOD** The following boats had their first reading during the previous Regional Board meeting and passed the 7 Day Opposition Period
- **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:**
  - **FAST EXIT (7447E) - AND40MOD – CHIEF HANDICAPPER REQUESTED RATING REVIEW**  
John Raymont (In attendance)
    - **1/15/20 – 1ST READING MOTION /9/3/-1/S/P 1 ABST**  
**Information not considered during the January 2020 Regional Board Meeting:**  
8/22/19 – 120 Day Temp revised /17/11/7/
    - **4/21/20 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING MOTION BY B HUBBARD /17/11/7/ S - J TIGHE/ROLL CALL VOTE / PASSED**
  
  - **CROSS FIRE (17666) – CAL36T – ANONYMOUS 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY RATING REVIEW**  
Samuel Cowan (In attendance)
    - **4/21/20 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING MOTION P KATZ/144/144/143/S - D ROSSEN/ ROLE CALL VOTE / PASSED**
  
  - **SHADOWFAX (7187) – JNNU43 – ANONYMOUS 3<sup>rd</sup> PARTY RATING REIVEW**  
Steven George (In attendance)
    - **4/21/20 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING MOTION /117/111/117/B HUBBARD/S - JEFF TIGHE/ROLL CALL VOTE / PASS – 1 ABST (B HUBBARD) – 1 NAY (DAVID CATTLE)**
  
  - **MARBLEHEAD (7335) – CAT385 – RATING REVIEW REQUEST**  
Steven & Lora Shyock (In attendance)
    - **4/21/20 – 1ST READING MOTION BY L GILINGER /135/131/128/S J TIGHE/ROLL CALL VOTE P WITH 2 ABST (B LANGAN, S GRIESBACH)**

- **ALL BOATS REQUESTING A RATING REVIEW OR HAVE HAD A 120 DAY TEMPORARY RATING ISSUED:**
  - Please forward to the Fleet Secretary 3 Days Prior to your Reading by email to [fleetoffice@phrfsocal.org](mailto:fleetoffice@phrfsocal.org)
    - All race results
      - Actual
      - Adjusted Results using the online spreadsheet found on website at <http://phrfsocal.org/rating-review/> “Rating Review Worksheet”
    - Any additional information that has been previously requested and/or useful for the rating process (photos, ORR certificates, etc.)
- **TIME ALLOTTED FOR OWNER(S) PRESENTATION:**
  - Introductions – Regional Board and Owners/Witnesses in attendance
  - 3 Minutes – Chief Handicapper and/or relevant Boat Advisor
  - 5 Minutes – Owner Presentation
  - 3 Minutes each for up to three (3) other boat owners remarks In Support (3 to 9 minutes max)
  - 3 Minutes each for up to three (3) other boat owners remarks In Opposition (3 to 9 minutes max)
  - 1 Minute – Owner rebuttal
- **PURSUANT TO PHRF SOCAL RULE 4.2c, THERE IS A 7 DAY OPPOSITION PERIOD FOR OBJECTIONS AFTER THE PRIOR REGIONAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES HAVE BEEN POSTED.**
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Group assignments and hearing times are established to encourage the orderly progress of a meeting. A boat may, however, be called prior to or after its assigned Group time unless a boat owner, representative or other interested party has contacted the Fleet Secretary to confirm their estimated arrival time at the hearing. Interested parties are therefore encouraged to arrive early or contact the Fleet Secretary at least one day prior to the meeting to confirm their arrival time.

**GROUP 1 – 7:00PM – UNTIL COMPLETED**

- ~~FARR 30 FLEET RATING REVIEW – ONE DESIGN/2<sup>nd</sup> READING~~
- ~~On behalf of Farr 30 OD Fleet:~~
  - ~~MENACE (37)~~
    - ~~John Rushing~~
  - ~~HUCKLEBERRY 2 (USA 15)~~
    - ~~Jim Murrell~~
- Current Rating ~~/54/42/42/~~
- Requesting ~~/63/54/54/~~
- ~~4/21/19 Owners revised request for /60/48/48/ (+6)~~
- Looking to re-rate One Design PHRF fleet
- ~~4/21/20 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING MOTION BY J TIGHE /56/46/45/S B LANGAN/ROLE CALL VOTE/ P WITH 2 ABST – 1 NAY~~
- ~~4/22/20 – Owner of HUCKLEBERRY opposed 1<sup>st</sup> Reading on behalf of the Farr 30 Fleet~~
- ~~5/16/20 (revised 5/18/20) – On behalf of Farr 30 fleet~~

- Owner of HUCKLEBERRY withdrew opposition
        - No other oppositions were filed
      - Pursuant to 4/21/20 – Farr 30 OD rating revised /56/46/45/
    - **CHUPACABRA (USA29) – B29M – INITIAL RATING REVIEW**  
Jerome Sammarcelli (In attendance)  
(Rec'd 5/6/20)  
5/6/20 – Sent to CH  
Non-Ballast configuration
      - **5/19/20 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING MOTION BY S GRIESBACH /78/71/61/ L GILINGER 2<sup>ND</sup>/PASSED WITH 2-ABST**
    - **CHUPACABRA (USA29B) – B29M – INITIAL RATING REVIEW**  
Jerome Sammarcelli (In attendance)  
(Rec'd 5/6/20)  
5/6/20 – Sent to CH  
Ballast configuration
      - **5/19/20 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING MOTION /77/68/60/ BY DAVID CATTLE/S P KATZ/PASSED – 2 ABST, 1-NAY**
  - **Area B Rep will contact owner of CHUPACABRA to clarify rating differences and what was taken into consideration**
  - **KILLER BEE (7444) – J109M (CARBON MAST) – RATING REVIEW REQUESTED**  
Jason Artof (Not in attendance)  
Current Rating: /60/54/51/ CARBON FIBER MAST, NO SAIL LIMITATIONS  
Requesting /72/66/66/  
5/4/20 – Owner asking for review based on carbon mast but limit his use of “One Design” sails, in addition to any J109 rules
    - **5/19/20 – MOTION 1<sup>ST</sup> READING /72/66/66/ BY D CATTLE J109 - ONE DESIGN MODIFIED (OD-M) WILL COMPLY WITH ALL J109 OD RULES BUT WITH A CARBON FIBER MAST/S BY S GRIESBACH/ DISCUSSION RE PERFORMANCE DURING LAST RACE/P, 2-ABST**
  - **RUNAWAY (7574) – CAL36 (no sail restrictions) – CHIEF HANDICAPPER REQUESTED RATING REVIEW**  
Thomas Lehtonen (Not in attendance)
    - **2/19/20 – MOTION FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> READING FOR 7574A /151/146/151/S/P**
    - 4/21/20 – Cruising Boat but the fact of no spin pole was not taken into consideration by Regional Board so Chief Handicapper requested new review
    - 4/21/20 – TABLE/Area B representative to discuss with owner to decide does he want both certificates or just one (which one to be decided by owner)
      - Owner voiced an interest in Area B rating

- To be requested separately once Regional Rating has been finalized
- 4/21/20 - Owner stated he would like Certificate 7574 to be amended to eliminate sail restrictions and be rated for PHRF max sized sails, no spin pole
- **5/19/20 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING MOTION MADE BY J STAFF /153/150/153/ NO SPIN POLE/S H BUTNER/P 1 – ABST**
  - **7574 Will not have any sail restrictions**
  - **7574 Configuration adjustment to be revised as owner no longer has a roller furling Dacron headsail**
  - **7574A will be deleted from the database**

Meeting Adjourned: 9:22 pm

**Next Meeting: REGIONAL BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, June 16, 2020  
Location: Telecommunication**

**Judge Advocate's Report:**

- Rule Changes was circulated by email before the meeting

Rule Changes as approved May 19, 2020 (Redlined)

**1.3 MEMBER CONDUCT.**

- a. When dealing with race organizers, and with member boat owners and their crews, members of the PHRF Area Boards, Regional Board, and Executive Board, and boat owner Members of PHRF of Southern California and their crews and representatives shall at all times conduct themselves in a manner that is respectful, courteous, and consistent with the Corinthian spirit of yachting. Members and their representatives shall not disparage PHRF of Southern California or members of the PHRF Area Boards, Regional Board, or Executive Board.
- b. PHRF members are required to abide by the current version of the US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing and by the current version of the PHRF Class Rules.
- c. PHRF members racing in violation of the current PHRF Class Rules are subject to protest by other PHRF members. Host yacht club and race organizer Protest Committees shall submit the protest to PHRF for verification that a Class Rule has actually been violated, whereupon the Chief Handicapper shall call a special meeting of the Executive Board, whose decision in such matters shall be final. The meeting of the Executive Board may be conducted in person, via email, or via telephone. If PHRF determines that a Class Rule has been violated, the Chief Handicapper will advise the Protest Committee. PHRF shall invalidate a boat's Rating if the Class Rule violation is due to an un-reported modification to the boat's Rated Configuration. The PHRF member shall submit a written request for re-validation of the Rating, which shall detail all of the modifications made, whereupon a Rating Review shall be conducted pursuant to Rules 4 and/or 5 of these Rules.

- d. The membership privileges and boat Rating(s) of any member of PHRF of Southern California may be suspended or terminated for conduct injurious to the welfare, reputation, and credibility of PHRF of Southern California and its purpose, including but not limited to misrepresentations to the Regional or Area Boards of boat performance and/or configuration information and violations of paragraph 1.4a (above) of these Class Rules. Upon written complaint of such misconduct by one (1) or more members of PHRF of Southern California, the President shall call a Special Meeting of the Executive Board of PHRF of Southern California to investigate the circumstances connected with such alleged misconduct. If, upon a majority vote of the Executive Board the charges are deemed substantiated, the Fleet Secretary shall furnish the Member whose conduct is in question with a written statement of the charges presented against him or her, and such Member shall submit a written response to the Executive Board within seven (7) days after such notice is given. The President shall thereupon call a special meeting of the Regional Handicap Review Board to be held one hour before the next regular meeting of the Regional Handicap Review Board, when the Member whose conduct is in question will be given an opportunity to be heard regarding said conduct. The Regional Handicap Review Board shall then determine, by majority vote, whether to suspend or expel said Member from the Organization. Such action shall be effective immediately upon the completion of such vote of the Regional Handicap Review Board

#### 1.4 HANDICAP REVIEW BOARD QUORUM AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

- a. All official actions of the Regional or Area Handicap Review Boards which concern Ratings or Rating Reviews shall require a majority vote by the members who are present and who are not subject to the conflict of interest restrictions set forth below, provided there is a quorum at the time of the vote. A quorum shall be established pursuant to Rules 9.2b and 9.3b of the Bylaws. A Board Member may attend a meeting by telephonic conference call or other electronic means and thereby be deemed to be present at the meeting, provided that such electronic means must be of sufficient quality to allow for effective communication with all other members attending the meeting.
- b. Members of the Regional and Area Handicap Review Boards shall not vote on rating changes that affect their own boat. ~~For the purposes of this rule, e~~changes that “affect” a Board Member’s own boat shall be deemed to create a Conflict of Interest, and they include changes to the Rating(s) for the Board Member’s own boat, as well as changes to the Rating(s) of any boat (a “Conflicting Boat”) that the Board Member reasonably anticipates the he or she may sail aboard or against (in the same class) for more than three races or for one regatta (consisting of two or more days of racing) during any calendar year.
- c. Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 1.5a, the Regional Handicap Review Board may conduct a vote via email under circumstances where a Rating Review decision or a decision regarding a modification to these Rules cannot be delayed until the next scheduled monthly meeting, as determined jointly by the Chief Handicapper and President (or by the Judge Advocate and President in the event of a decision to modify these Rules). A vote conducted by email shall require all relevant information



to be distributed by the Fleet Secretary to the entire Regional Board prior to voting, and votes shall be made via email No boat shall be the subject of more than one Anonymous Rating Review within any twelve month period.

- 4.4 The Regional Board may, in response to a Rating Review conducted pursuant to Rules 4.2 or 4.3, direct the Area Handicap Board to initiate a Rating Review of the boat for consideration of an Area Adjustment. The Fleet Secretary shall thereupon promptly notify the Chairperson for the Area Handicap Review Board in question, who shall then conduct an Area Rating Review pursuant to the provisions of Rule 5.
- 4.5 CONDUCT OF RATING REVIEW. When conducting a First Reading or Second Reading in connection with any Rating Review, the Handicap Review Board shall:
- a. Allow the boat owner / member to present evidence and testimony, including witness testimony, in support of the decision (change or no-change to the Rating) proposed by the boat owner / member, and to answer questions that may be submitted by the Handicap Review Board, during an open discussion period;
  - b. Allow a maximum three (3) witnesses to present evidence and testimony in opposition to the decision proposed by the boat owner / member, and to answer questions that may be submitted by the Handicap Review Board, during the open discussion period described in sec. 4.5a.
  - c. After the completion of all testimony and the receipt of all evidence, the Handicap Review Board shall deliberate in private, during which time members of the Handicap Review Board shall offer information regarding observed performance of the subject boat to assist in the Chief Handicapper's analysis, and the Chief Handicapper and/or fleet advisors shall offer their recommendation for a change in Rating, if any. Members of the Handicap Review Board who have a Conflict of Interest pursuant to Rule 1.5b shall not, upon request from the Owner or Representative of the Conflicting Boat after inquiring, participate in the private deliberation described above concerning the Conflicting Boat. Such conflicted Board Member must instead offer all observations and opinions while the Owner or Representative of the Conflicting Boat is present during the open discussion time of the Rating Review.
  - d. Immediately upon the conclusion of the Handicap Review Board's deliberation period the President shall call for a vote.
  - e. The results of the vote shall be communicated to the boat owner / member in person immediately, if possible, or otherwise by email, and the Fleet Secretary shall promptly update the online Rating Information for the boat accordingly.
  - f. The Chief Handicapper or President (or Area Chairman during a meeting of an Area Board) may, at their discretion, establish rules which limit the time period during which evidence and testimony may be presented during the open discussion period described in sec. 4.5a, and which limit the time period for deliberation by the Handicap Review Board.
  - g. The Regional or Area Board may vote to table (postpone) or to continue a First or Second Reading to a future meeting of the Board if necessary, to receive or evaluate information relevant to the Rating Review.

4.6 Temporary Ratings

- a. A Regular Member or Visiting Yachtsman, may expedite the issuance of an Initial Rating or of a Rating review for significant modifications to the boat or to its configuration by applying for a “Temporary Rating,” which may be issued upon application to the Fleet Secretary and payment of a Temporary Rating Fee, in an amount that shall be established and reviewed as necessary by the Executive Board. The Temporary Rating Fee shall be paid in addition to the regular dues and other fees owed by the Member, including the fee, if any, charged for a rating change due to a modification to a boat’s configuration. Promptly upon receipt of an application for Temporary Rating, the Fleet Secretary shall submit such application to the Chief Handicapper.
- b. Temporary Ratings for modifications shall not be issued unless the boat has undergone or is in the process of undergoing significant modifications to the structure, rig, rigging, sail plan, or other feature that, in the sole discretion of the Chief Handicapper, will materially change the boat’s sailing characteristics.
- c. Temporary Ratings for modifications shall not be issued under circumstances where, in the sole discretion of the Chief Handicapper, a boat owner had the time and opportunity to apply for a regular Rating Review pursuant to section 4.2.
- d. Except upon approval of the Regional Handicap Board, a Temporary Rating shall not be issued under circumstances where a First Reading has already been conducted for the requested review..