

PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Regional Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 15, 2008

Attendance: President: Zoltan Katinszky, Vice President: Chris Bennett, Chief Handicapper: Cole Price, Data Systems Officer: David Zaveski, Rick Ruskin (Area B), Eric McClure (Area C), Robert Plant & Dan Rossen (Area D), Louis Holmes (Area E/F), Mika Roberts and Mike Roach (Area G) and Anita Cole, Fleet Secretary.

Guests: Rick von Heydenreich and Rick Gorman (Area C)

Meeting began at: 6:10PM

The minutes from the June 17 meeting were approved with corrections.

New Business: No new business

Old Business:

1. Big Boat Alignment Report: Chairman Robert Plant – Report on the 50+ Fleet and a Second Reading on the rating changes to the 1D 48's and STAGHOUND. Discussion tabled.

The owner or representative from STAGHOUND was not present. The recommended rate change for STAGHOUND was from /-51/-51/-51/ to /-60/-60/-69/. The recommended rate change for the 1D 48's is from /-24/-27/-30/ to /-30/-33/-36/. Several owners of the 1D48's were present but brought only race results from Long Beach Race Week and they were not in spreadsheet format. The board tabled the Second Reading and asked the owners, again, to bring in a spreadsheet showing their race results and how the rating change would affect their results. The owner of EMIRAGE II, David Bassett-Parkins did have his race data in a spreadsheet format.

2. Fast 40 Fleet Review Report -Wes Selby, Review Chairman
Wes was not in attendance this month.

3. Columbia 30 Review – Dan Rossen – First Reading

Last month it was decided to use Steve Washburn's boat, PACIFIC HIGH s/n 56601 as the base (original dimensions) at a rating of /75/57/51/ and adjust all the others to this rating.

Many owners were present at the meeting and Vince Valdez, owner of ENCORE, spoke for them. He handed out a spreadsheet comparing the boats: keels, dimensions, sail configurations, etc. The boat designer, Tim Kernan, addressed the board about the many differences & modifications on these boats. A few errors on the spreadsheet were noted and the owners were asked to correct the errors and come back next month with race results in a spreadsheet format comparing the boats' results. They were also asked to note the specific modifications that have been made to their individual boats. They were then excused and the board discussed their presentation. Dan reiterated the results of his study and Cole suggested a /+3/ on buoy only at this reading for the entire fleet: (M/S/P). The Columbia 30 fleet was asked to be prepared next month with race results that are summarized on a spreadsheet by boat and by course type (Buoy, RLC OWC) along with a second spreadsheet comparing the attributes of each boat in the fleet, along with the Columbia 30 fleet's recommended adjustments for individual differences for each course type.

4. One Design: Rule 3.5 revision – Judge Advocate Second Reading

Rule 3.5 - Unless otherwise requested, in writing, by the PHRF member, a One-Design type boat shall be rated with the standard PHRF configuration (see Section 7). When a boat is rated with the One-Design configuration, it will be noted in the "Remarks" section of the Rating Certificate *and put into the Manufacturers List in the data base.* When racing in its One-Design configuration, the boat shall comply with all its One-Design class rules (including sail buttons, crew weight, etc.). Any modification to the One-Design class rules which might modify the boat's PHRF One-Design rating shall be furnished to the PHRF regional board immediately after the rule change becomes effective.

The board discussed the change and made one addition (note in red). Anita will send it to the Judge Advocate for approval. A vote will be taken next month.

The discussion then moved into a strong suggestion: New applicants are to provide pictures, line drawings, or brochures and any other certificates the owner has on the boat with the PHRF application for membership. The Chief Handicapper also presented new application format that he is working on. He will send it to the Judge Advocate for review.

5. Rules Violation Committee Report on TEASER, s/n 97371, Mike Guccione & Guillermo Rasse
Further discussion and vote has been postponed until the August meeting.

6. Appendix A, paragraph 6.1.f Revision: This is the second reading on the board's decision to remove Appendix A, paragraph 6.1.f. from the PHRF Class Rules and replace it with a 7/8 girth measurement limit of .22*E, definition to be added to Appendix A, 6.2.b. The Judge Advocate reviewed the Chief Handicapper's suggested changes and approved them. There was some confusion among the board members about the wording of the new rule and the Chief Handicapper explained his ideas. Appendix A 6.2.b is to change to the 7/8th girth which shall not increase as you go up the sail. Cole will send a more precise wording to the secretary for publication.

President's Report:

Zoltan is still working on a race calendar for the PHRF of Southern California website. He will email it to the board for discussion and approval.

Vice President's Report:

Chris and Zoltan asked the board to approve 3 dinner tickets for each CHAMPS entry: (M/S/P)

Data Systems Report: No report

Provisional Ratings Report: There are no provisional ratings from 2007 this month.

Area Reports:

Area A: Not in attendance.

Area B: No meeting this month

Area C: No meeting this month.

Area D: The Area D board reviewed RELIANCE and sent it to Regional along with ENTROPY's request for a rating review.

Area E/F: Louis reported that their board rated ISLAND STAR, a Jnnu 42I, s/n 7381, /60/57/54 via email. He urged the board to set a minimal lead time for initial ratings. Zoltan noted that the board did vote to have a minimal lead time last year. Anita will look up the minutes and report back to the board next month. However a motion was made to put on the application and the website that the application lead time is to be minimum of 3 weeks before the Regional Board meeting which meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month, except December.

Area G: See their meeting notes on the Area G (San Diego PHRF) website.

Chief Handicapper's Report:

1. MARGARITAVILLE 1 ½, s/n 50100 (52' Sloop) Jay Steinbeck – Request for Rating Review
This review has been tabled until the Big Boat Review Report on the 50+ boats is finished.

2. ENCORE s/n 56725 (COL5.5) Vince Valdez & Kevin Wolfe – Rating Review requested by Area D – Second Reading on the board's decision to re-rate ENCORE from /126/126/ to /165/165/. New information was handed out by Anita and the Chief Handicapper. Vince Valdez addressed the board and handed out additional information about the boat and noted the maintenance and his sail inventory. He also noted that the boat is rated /185/ in Northern California. He asked for /185/. There was a short discussion and Vince was excused. The board continued discussing the information on the boat and voted (M/S/P) to rate ENCORE **/180/180/** (no off the wind rating) and recommend that if the boat is slower in light air that an Area adjustment of as much as +6 to **/186/186/** be considered by the Area D board.
3. An Dara Claddagh s/n 52170 (C&C33-2) Ken Henehan – Request for Rating Review – Second Reading The owner sent in verified spinnaker measurements and after a short discussion the board voted (M/S/P) to leave the Regional rating at **/126/126/126/** but remove the oversized spinnaker notation from the certificate.
4. SPARROW s/n 163 (PSN28) Ralph Weeks – Request for Rating Review – Second Reading Last month the board voted to change the boats type to a PSNTR28 and rate it /231/231/231/ provisionally. After a very short discussion the board voted (M/S/P) to re-rate SPARROW **/231/231/231/** provisionally and change the boat type to PSNTR28.
5. ENTROPY s/n 50400 (Tripp41) Chris Hemans – Request for Rating Review – Second Reading The boat rates /21/18/18/ regionally and /15/15/15/ in Area D. He asks for /24/24/24 in both. After a discussion the board voted (M/S/P) to leave this rating the same, and keep it provisional.
6. INCREDIBLE s/n 46699 (Swan53M) Rick Gorman – Request for Rating Review – Second Reading Last month the board voted to change INCREDIBLE's rating from 78/63/63 to 57/54/54. Rick handed out several new spread sheets and addressed the board explaining the information on them. The board asked several questions and after some discussion Rick, Rick von Heydenreich and Eric McClure were excused. Cole showed the members of the board some comparisons he made to MISTRESS rating /39/36/36/. The discussion continued and a vote was taken to re-rate INCREDIBLE at **/57/54/54/**.
7. PELIGROSO s/n's 55555 & 55555C (Kernan70) Campbell & Williams – Modifications. First Reading. The articulating spinnaker pole has been removed and a fixed bowsprit has been added. Cole addressed the board explaining the changes and noted that he had looked at the ORR certificate and recommends that the rating remain the same. (M/S/P) PELIGROSO is now a Sprit boat and is rated assuming no spinnaker pole with no change to the ratings on both its certificates: provisionally.
8. **SAMBA PA TI** s/n 13131 (TRNSP52) John Kilroy – Review of Initial Rating. The Chief Handicapper assigned a temporary buoy rating of /-84/ for LBRW. Cole started the discussion noting that the boat rates /-96/ in Northern California, but the owner says that the boat can't sail to it. He handed out race results from the LRW Regatta. After a short discussion, during which board members discussed the boat's results and observed performance, the board voted (M/S/P) to rate SAMBA PA TI **/-87/-93/-99**, provisionally.
9. MOJO s/n 46703A (Venture Newport 23) Mike Inmon – Initial Rating Anita handed out the application and information sent in by the owner. Cole and Curt Johnson gave this boat a temporary rating of /228/ for last weekend's race. Cole noted that the boat is made by MacGregor and MacGregors rate /240/ nationally. After some discussion the board tabled a vote on a permanent rating until the boat could be inspected and photographed by Rick Ruskin from Area B.

10. STILL CRAZY s/n's 18414 & 18414A (HOB33M) Robert Plant and Eric Shampain – Modification & request for a second certificate. Robert addressed the board noting the name change from BALLISTIC to STILL CRAZY. He explained the oversized main modification and how it performed in a race last weekend. The Chief Handicapper gave him a temporary rating of /78/63/60/. After some discussion about the boat's double back stays a decision was tabled until next month for more study.

11. RELIANCE s/n 87178 (N/M41TM) William McKeever – Request for Rating Review - First Reading
The boat currently rates /60/60/60. He wants 75/81/81/.

Phil Richardson represented to boat to the board and handed out a packet of information plus race data. He explained the maintenance and updates to the boat. The board commended him on his presentation and asked several questions about how the boat is raced. Phil was excused and the board continued the discussion centering on his race data. (M/S/P) to rate the boat /**66/66/66**/ at this first reading.

12. PYEWACKET V s/n USA 4 (R/P60) Roy Disney – Initial Rating

Anita handed out the information sent in by the owner and the Chief Handicapper handed out a spread sheet comparing this boat to several other “Big Boats”. After a fair amount of discussion the board voted (M/S/P) to rate PYEWACKET V /-**60/-69/-72**/, provisionally.

13. ARIANA s/n 7626 (CAL40M) David Kelly – Initial Rating

Anita handed out his application information and a short discussion began. The Chief Handicapper gave this boat a temporary rating of /105/105/105/ for a race last weekend. He recommends /105/102/99/. The discussion continued centering on the J and Jc measurements. The board voted (M/S/P) to rate ARIANA **105/102/99**/, provisionally.

Adjournment: 11:17 PM

Respectfully Submitted by PHRF Fleet Secretary
Anita Cole.