



Central Council Meeting

Saturday, December 11th, 2004
Royal Hamilton Yacht Club

Minutes

Attendees: Ian McKimmie (Chief Handicapper), Bill Crandall (Asst. Chief), Bob Porter (Asst. Chief), Dave Poulin (EYC Chief), Glenn Freeman (GPHRF Chief), Tim Breen (Rep: ROCH District), Colin Alston (Rep: TORE District), John Crawley (TORW Chief)
Guest: Brian Thomson

1. Call to order at 10:40 am
2. Motion to accept Minutes of meeting from June 26, 2004. M/S Glenn/Brian.
Carried
3. **Handicapping items:**
 - a. **Jib Penalty Max to 155%** - review of findings from Elders report.
Motion: that this item be put to vote by December 2005 Central Council meeting.
Amendment: to include item 3b.
M/S (as amended). Glenn/Bob. Carried.
 - b. **LP max to 180%** - review of findings from Elders report. See 3a.
 - c. **Flying Sails adjustment formulas in Manual** - comparison of handicaps against old formula for the J 105, J 109, and Mantra 7000. John Crawley reported more work is needed. Motion to address at next meeting. M/S John/Glenn. Carried.
 - d. **Asymmetrical Sails** – Ian McKimmie. To be addressed in **4 b**.
 - e. **Mainsail measurements** – Ian McKimmie. Removed from agenda.
 - f. **New handicaps for different models**
Motion: *If a different model of an existing PHRF-LO handicapped class requires a new handicap, the local region shall address these at an upcoming District meeting. If no meeting is planned, then one of the Assistant Chief Handicappers may issue a temporary rating.* M/S John/Bill. Carried.
 - g. **Minimum Crew sizes** - Motion that local club handle this in SI's.
Carried.
4. **Manual reviews and revisions:**
 - a. **Symmetrical and Asymmetrical flying sails on the same boat:**
Rewording in manual by John Crawley – *Tabled to next meeting*
 - b. **Headsails vs Spinnaker description in the manual** – Motion to accept re-write as supplied by John (attached).
Amendment: to include modification to Maximum 1.83 J.
M/S (as amended) John/Bob. Carried.
Addition: **Motion to change Non-Flying Sails definition** Section 7.3.1 per re-write as supplied by John (attached)
M/S. John/Bob. Carried.

- c. **Spinnaker and Whisker Pole attachment points – Ian McKimmie** - Not available – Motion to table indefinitely. M/S. Bill/John. Carried.
- d. **Code 0 sails** – Handled by new definitions from 4b.
- e. **Full review of current Appeal Process and Guidelines** including:
 - review of procedures for handling “Out of District” Appeals (change to bylaws)

Motion to include under Section 10.1

In the event the vessel or class of vessels against which an appeal is made, originates only from another PHRF-LO District and that vessel or class of vessels is unique to another District, the appeal must be heard by Central Council. The District Chief's from the respective Districts shall not vote.

M/S Colin/Bill. Carried.

Section 10.2 thru 10.4 including the following items. More work is needed. Ian McKimmie to present at next meeting.

- setting date cutoff for submitting an appeal.
- Review of guidelines for handling US Sailing appeals.

Guidelines for submitting an appeal to be added to Appeal

Procedures:

- Motion that the Appeal Form plus a “maximum” of 5 single sheets of supporting documentation will be allowed for any appeal. M/S Glenn/Bob. Carried
- Motion that the Appellant must submit additional copies of the appeal and supporting documentation for all reviewing handicappers. M/S Glenn/John. Carried
Amendment: To include 15 copies plus an electronic copy of the appeal. M/S John/Glenn

- f. **Re-definition of Sport Boats and addition of PHRF-LO boats to the existing listing** – no action.

5. Race Results and Analysis:

- a. **Mixed racecourses in analysis** - concern about ratings – Steve Corona indicated that this would not be a concern. Also, Diana Riley indicated that identifying race courses would be difficult and be reliant on clubs submitting this information. No Action.
- b. **Handicappers racing without certificates** – Diana Riley advised to notify the District Chief for the offending handicapper. The District Chief will address this with the handicapper directly.
- c. **Analysis printing** - discontinuation of printing current years summary – Diana Riley advised to discontinue the summary.

6. Boat Class reviews:

- a. **Mumm 30** - revisit handicap – Motion: no change. M/S Bob/Bill. Carried.
- b. **Freedom 25** – Motion to question specifics on these boats. Ian will supply a list of questions.
- c. **Beneteau 36.7 SD** (NFS handicap) - SSYRA appeal. Tabled

- d. **Catalina 320** – Appeal Re-visit - Motion to table indefinitely. M/S Glenn/Bill. Defeated
Motion: No change based on performance. M/S Bob/Tim. Carried.
- e. **CS 22** – NFS Appeal - Motion +6 on the NFS handicap. M/S John/Bill.
Defeated (I think)
- f. **Mantra 7000** – Appeal – Motion to wait until 2004 race analysis has been received. M/S Glenn/Colin. Carried.
- g. **Sonar** - set ODR handicap – need class configurations from Rochester District. *Tabled until received.*
- h. **J 22** - set ODR handicap – Same as for the Sonar. *Tabled until Rochester supplies information.*
- i. **Wylie 28** - handicap review – *Tabled as part of Initial Handicap review.*
- j. **Beneteau 25 Platu** - handicap review - *Tabled as part of Initial Handicap review.*
- k. **Farr 395 – set ODR handicap** – Established April 12, 2003 but not entered as per minutes. Diana Riley to correct.
- l. **Farr 40 – set ODR handicap** - Established April 12, 2003 but not entered as per minutes. Diana Riley to correct.
- m. **Mega 30 – set ODR handicap** – remove “OD” designation as this is not an ODR, Cus or Mod handicap.
- n. **Jeanneau SunFast 37 – Appeal** – District to address.
- o. **J 105 – set ODR handicap** – John Crawley to review adjustment calculations with Diana Riley for next meeting. *Tabled.*
- p. **C&C 35-2 – Appeal** – Motion: No Change. M/S John/Colin. Carried.
- q. **Pearson 30 – Appeal** – Motion to table until 2004 race analysis is available. M/S Glenn/Colin. Carried.

7. **Other Business items:**

- a. **Project to review all classes and designate the "Prop"** as Inboard or Outboard – Motion to separate class list by Prop and review SP and Owners list as special project. M/S Bill/Bob. Carried.
- b. **Proxy Voting** – Direction for use already addressed in Manal.
- c. **District and CC meetings via internet** – As per Executive meeting. No “NEW” handicaps may be set via email. Initial Assignment forms must be submitted.
- d. **Class review project – Brian Thomson** – As presented (attached).

8. Items tabled from April 17th meeting

- a. **New District for Georgian Bay area** – Ian McKimmie to address this.
- b. **AK factors** – To be raised at the AGM. Tabled to AGM agenda.
- c. **Old boat classes in SP list** – Motion to hide boat classes that have not had a certificate for 10 years. M/S Bob/Bill. Carried.
- d. **Race Results and Analysis** – tabled indefinitely and removed from agenda.
 - Race results screening - As presented at the Nov 15th meeting - General Discussion

- Race analysis comparison - from 2003 AGM and tabled Nov 15 and April 17th - Bill Crandall to report on findings
9. **Certificates not picked up at the Club** – Reviewed problem as club to address.
 10. **PHRF performance scale** – Reviewed.
 11. **Request from US Sail to have a PHRF-LO representative** on their appeal committee. – Removed from agenda.
 12. Next meeting: April 2005 at the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club.

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Proposal Re: Guidelines for Designation of One Design Ratings

Rationale:

- 1) to save the handicapper time in measuring and certificate administration in established classes where owners have stamped sails/ class membership documentation, with sail measurements eg J24, J30 etc.
- 2) to give equity and fairness in a class of boats where there is a variance from the standard boat accepted by the class association, where all owners may not be aware and may have the non standard modification undeclared, eg Tanzer22,26 rudders.
- 3) to create an index of boats that have standard dimensions which are not PHRF standard dimensions, eg oversize spin pole, so those are available in the manual to the handicapper, so he doesn't have to work backwards. This would give the ASP adjustments/measurements to complete the certificate eg Platu25, Concordia45
- 4) to create an alert index for classes that have approved such modifications as backstay battens,(for class racing) so that handicappers will know that the mains must be measured and adjustments assessed as required, eg Kirby 25

Implications:

1) The boat or class must be in the PHRF-LO data base. A new boat that has an active class elsewhere or is non standard such as the Platu25 would be entered in the index with the requisite information about it's LPs,SPL, etc.

2) For a boat in an active class where the owner has a measurement certificate/stamped sails that indicate required measurements the boat is issued a PHRF certificate with the appropriate ASP for the class boat. This would be indexed in the handicappers' binder. This would save the local handicapper all kinds of problems. This would help the handicapper when dealing with established active classes. I've made the following list of classes, (which are potentially active on Lake Ontario): Laser28, isFarr395,40, Mumm30, J22,24,27,29,30,35,80,92,105, Shark, Melges24, Thunderbird, Olson30.

IOR, MORC, IMS, might also fall into this category if their certificate is current. Given that the boat has valid class documentation, and the class is in the PHRF-LO data base, it would be issued the PHRF-LO ODR/SP/ASP for its class. (This is often done presently when a new certificate is issued.)

3) For classes that are less active and do not have measurement certificates or sail stamps, but might have different configurations that are not deemed to effect performance, the index would alert the handicapper to the various configurations so this could be noted on the certificate and crunched in the race data to develop performance baselines. Classes that might be included in this category include Tanzer22,26(alternate rudders), Kirby25(backstay batten/running b/s), Mirage24/Northern25, Viking28, C&C27. Generally, these classes don't measure sails but allow certain modifications which would require approval by Central Council to have the ODR.

4) Generally, the handicappers that would benefit most would be those in the large clubs with fleets that have the most boats, therefore the most measuring required,

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and certificate renewal. These clubs also are likely to have a variety of these types of boats. The small club handicapper would also benefit because there would be an index of information that could be consulted to assist in assignment of the correct ASP and (This could help avoid some of the problems we encountered with the Melges24 this year.) I'm not sure how big a task this would be. On the surface, it seems we would just be creating a few new boat classes, however it may prove difficult to get accurate measurements.

Please give me some feedback/improved ideas so I can tart this up and have it ready for Central Council in December.

Thanks ,Brian

One Design Rating Criteria: How the designation of the ODR proposal works
By Brian Thomson, Vice Pres. PHRF-LO

1. A list of active classes that also race in PHRF-LO fleets is developed to be used as a reference guideline. To be included on this list the class must have some members who have PHRF-LO certificates and appear in the race analysis.
2. Each reference will include the following:
 - i) standard dimensions/characteristics
 - ii) class standard dimensions ie LP, SMG and SPL in percentage and decimal feet
 - iii) a list of PHRF non standard equipment, dimensions, or modification with dimensions in decimal feet where applicable.
3. The handicapper, when presented with a class certificate with measurements, or stamped and initialed sails, could then simply complete the certificate together with the owner using the index and the owners class certificate. The index would supply the information for adjustments and the ASP/ODR assigned to that class.
4. If the class is a less active class with less stringent rules(read; if you come with your boat and it is the class type, you race regardless of LPs, SPLs, alternate rudders, running backstays, backstay battens etc.), the index will tell the handicapper which modifications require PHRF-LO SP adjustments and which don't. The handicapper can then measure the sails and spinnaker pole to obtain a legal ASP and note other mods allowed by PHRF-LO, (such as an alternate rudder), so they can be tracked for performance baselines vis`a vis original design.
5. There are some boats that will probably never be raced as a class on Lake Ontario, however there could be 3 or 4 on the lake. A second part of the index would list these types of boats and their standard measurements. (For example, the Platu25 has a standard configuration which has non overlapping jibs, backstay batten, oversize pole.) Again, the index would list thePHRF-LO standard dimensions, and the standard class modifications(LP,SPLs,etc) of the boat and the adjustments. The handicapper can measure and confirm the measurements complete the certificate, and assign the ASP.
6. The practical end of this would require a chart type of form that would contain the information as an additional section of the handicappers binder. This should be a supplement, not a replacement to other sections. Likely the chart might cover 1/3 of a page to give it some ease of use and large enough font. Given that this may also include active boats that have 5 or more current certificates, about 70 classes would be included, adding 12-13 extra pages to the binder.
7. Initial information would be gathered by the handicapper or a member of Central Council and approved through CC before entry into the index.