

# PHRF News



## Your link to what's happening in and around the lake

*News, services, events, projects, items of interest and much, much more.*

### Racing Season has begun!






Yes, it has, and with that a flurry of activity in the PHRF-LO administration office.

Given that your certificates are now being processed by the admin assistant (Joanne) this should have been an easy spring for me, but it has not.

As you will see from this newsletter, there have been some last minute issues that we needed to address.

Regards,  
Diana Riley  
PHRF-LO Executive Assistant

### NOW AVAILABLE!!

-  Eastern District meeting minutes
-  TORW District meeting minutes
-  SSYRA District meeting minutes
-  Handicappers worksheet \*
-  Handicappers Manual

*You can find these on the web*

\* Available to handicappers only

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### Central Council News

There have been a couple of issues that have come up.

#### Handicappers Manual updates

##### JSP definition (Part II, Section 4.1)

It was brought to our attention that the definition in our Handicappers Manual was not consistent with the measuring instructions for the SPL and BSL.

##### Asymmetrical (Part II, Section 7.2.3)

Addition of a missing bowsprit configuration and AG formula reference.

A revised manual has been uploaded to our web site.

You will also find a revised "Changes 2014" document with references to the above.

### J 24 – CLASS BOATS

In an email sent out to all Handicappers & J 24 certificate holders, it was explained that we have re-issued all "Class ODR" J 24 certificates due to an error in the recorded Max Girth of the Spinnaker.

For the 2014 season only, we have agreed to maintain the ASP handicaps on these boats even though the sail area is

significantly larger than previously recorded.

However, this issue will be reviewed in the fall and may result in rating adjustments.

### CHECK YOUR CERTIFICATE!

Central Council would like to remind everyone to **check your certificate**.

It is up to the owner to review his/her certificate to make sure that the information on it is correct.

Every year the office receives information about a change to a certificate that should have been updated but somewhere along the line it gets missed.

This not only puts you **in jeopardy of being protested**, but also makes it very difficult for Central Council to make reasonable assessments when changes are being made to the handicapping system.

If Central Council has made changes without correct information, then it will be at their discretion if a correction will be made mid-season.

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## Event Calendar

We have added an event calendar on our web site for posting interclub regattas.

If you have an event that you would like us to include, please send the following details to the PHRF-LO admin office.

Name of Event  
Date of event – start and finish  
Link to on-line details.  
Contact information

## PHRF-LO Championship

August 1<sup>st</sup> to August 3<sup>rd</sup>

### LYRA 2014

The Big News for 2014 will be the inaugural PHRF-LO Championships that will be incorporated within the LYRA Regatta.

The event will include Flying Sail and Non-Flying Sail feets in windward/leeward course racing and a possible mid-distance race.

See LYRA 2014 for event information

## Admin News

### CENTERLINE CREDIT!

Boats who tack their Asymmetrical Sail to a non-articulating bowsprit or to a point on the centerline of the boat can apply for the “Centerline Credit” of +6 sec/nm.




This credit is not automatically added to your certificate, so please check for the following:

Misc Adjustment:  
Centerline Tacked FS

### HANDICAPPERS WORKSHEET

Remember to keep checking on-line for new versions of the worksheet.

I will upload a new version when:

-  Updates are needed.
-  Glitches are corrected.
-  New classes need to be added

The version number is on the top left of every page and the date co-insides with the class list.

## Handicapping Help!

With all the changes being made to handicapping in 2014, I want to remind you that there is a wealth of support available right from our web site.

### Sail & Handicapping Support document

We compiled a list of the changes for 2014 and created a brochure to help guide you through each.

*Available from our home page.*

### Sail Measuring Video

We have a very informative video with details on how to measure a sail correctly.

The video has been updated to include all the 2014 changes.

*Available by selecting “Information”,  
“Articles & Videos” from our Main menu*