

# PHRF News



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

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

### Several things you need to know

The Central Council of handicappers held 2 meetings at which they reviewed and modified ratings (new certificates have been issued) and are requesting information about movable keels and "Vertical" Roller Furling Mains.

You will need to review all items in this newsletter to make sure you are up-to-date.

Regards,  
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### NOW AVAILABLE!!

- 2009 Handicappers Manual
- SP List
- Executive meeting minutes
- Central Council meeting min.
- 2009 Application form
- 2009 Initial Assignment form

*You can find these on the web*

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### Certificates Reprint

Due to the change in the Q.Factor all certificates that were valid for 2008 have been re-printed for the 2009 season.

There are some minor differences in the appearance of the certificate. In particular, you will note, that there is no Time-on-time numbers.

These are available on-line.

### Movable Appendages

On March 28<sup>th</sup> the Central Council discussed issues regarding "Movable appendages".

It was agreed to include a statement (page 22) and new abbreviations (page 45) in our handicapper's manual.

#### YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED

Central Council is asking you to identify currently handicapped classes that have "movable appendages" in order for us to update our records.

#### We will need to know:

Class of Yacht and the type of keel.  
E.g.: Articulating or canting with or without dagger or canard.

Please refer to page 45 of the handicapper's manual for new abbreviations.

### Boat Class Reviews

Central Council has completed their rating reviews for 2009.

To view what classes were changed, you will need to review the minutes to the 2 meetings.

Click on the dates below to view:

Feb 28, 2009 – includes Alert review  
Mar 28, 2009 – includes New handicap review.

For an up-to-date copy of the SP List, follow this link:

### "Vertical" Roller Furling Mains

We will now be tracking individual boats that have "Vertical" Roller Furling Mains.

The application form has been modified to include a check box for this.

#### YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED

Central Council is asking you to identify currently certified boats that have this configuration.

#### We will need to know:

Certificate number and owners name.

## Whisker Pole Penalties

Central Council voted to eliminate all penalties for oversized whisker pole lengths.

*This has been updated in the handicapper's manual.*

## Spring Training Seminar

This year's seminar took place on April 4<sup>th</sup> at the National Yacht Club. It was our pleasure to invite Jim Teeters of US Sailing to speak to us on his experience with analyzing fleet performance for atypical courses.

Jim's presentation was very enjoyable and thought provoking.

A special thank you goes out to Jim for taking the time to speak to us.

## Executive News

On April 4<sup>th</sup>, the PHRF-LO Executive held a meeting to discuss several issues.

### Vice President Position

Regretfully, Ian McKimmie has indicated that he will not be able to continue in the position of Vice President.

In light of this situation, the Executive voted to accept Bent Voetmann as acting Vice President until the next AGM.

### Privacy Policy

Due to a recent request, the Executive have agreed to include a brief statement regarding our Privacy policy on our web site and in our Handicapper's manual.

Minutes to that meeting are available on-line.

## Form Changes

Certificate Application Form  
Now includes a check box for "Vertical" Roller Furling Mains.

Initial Assignment form  
Now includes information regarding the Keel.

Kramer Plus  
Now includes both of the above items.

## Time On Time

Another reminder.  
The Time on Time Q.Factor has been adjusted to .008.

As a result of that change in the formula the new J.Schneider Simplification is:

$$578.431 / (\text{ASP} + 401.431)$$

In many cases you will need to update your A & B values for your race results.

$$A = 578.431$$
$$B = 401.431$$

Further details are available on our web site....click here.

## New Password

The new 2009 generic Handicapper password has now been issued and emailed to all handicappers at clubs that have paid their 2009 dues invoice.

All handicappers that "registered" for a unique handicapper password last year can continue to use the one they registered with.

If you have not registered for a unique user name and password, you can do so by following the link in the "Handicapper" login box on the top right of our web page.

## One Design Fleets in Race Analysis Q&A

**Question:** Why is it that PHRF-LO does not include the one design fleets in our race analysis?

**Answer:** The race analysis requires that a fleet have differences in ratings in order to derive at a calculated ASP for each boat in the fleet.

With a one design fleet, all the handicaps are equal and therefore the analysis does not accurately calculate the necessary data.

**Question:** How can we get our club's one design fleet included in the analysis?

**Answer:** You can accomplish this in a couple of different ways.

1. Have the one design fleet "Start" at the same time as one of the other fleets. When you send in your race results for analysis, you will have to indicate this and we will combine the results.
2. Include one or two other (closely rated boats) in the fleet. When the fleet is reviewed, it will be noted that it is not a "One design fleet" and be analyzed.

Remember, the analysis works best when the fleet has a close spread in ratings. A spread of no more than 30 sec/nm is ideal.