

PHRF News



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

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

It has been a while, sorry.

Yes, I just realized that the last newsletter went out in August...how time flies.

So, as you may expect, there is going to be many items to report on.

Regards,
Diana Riley
PHRF-LO Executive Assistant

NOW AVAILABLE!!

- Minutes to Executive meeting
- Minutes to Central Council meeting
- Race Analysis reports
- Boat class Alert List

You can find these on the web

Contacting us

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PAYPAL

Due to the increase in Non-member certificate requests, we have opened a Paypal account. This will allow us to collect the certificate fee from owners directly.

If you have any owners that require this, please contact the PHRF-LO office.

Spring Training Session

Mark your calendars for
March 26, 2011
1:30 (13:30 hrs)
Whitby Yacht Club

We are thrilled to have

Brendan Dobroth

a well known American Naval Architect and educator be our guest speaker.

Details to follow

Executive News

As reported earlier, John Fahy stepped down from the position of President of the Organization. We thank John for all his help over the past few years.

We are pleased to announce the appointment of:
Larry Beneway
as president of PHRF-LO.

Work with US Sailing (Jim Teeters) project.

We are excited to have been able to report on the progress we have made in two areas.

Sportiness Index

With the help of Jim, we can now identify the "sportiness" of any class in our SP List. This will be an invaluable tool when looking at comparing "like" boats.

NFS delta calculator

Jim has also developed a formula for establishing a "calculated NFS delta" for a class. This will be useful when setting new handicaps and for handicap reviews.

Both of these references will be included in the NEW Handicappers worksheet.

Admin Notice

Lizanne's resignation.

Unfortunately, Lizanne is no longer working in the admin office. Regrettably, she had to tender her resignation due to personal issues. We are now interviewing other people for the position.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in applying for the position, please have them contact me.

2011 Club Dues Invoices

Your Club Dues invoice has now been emailed to the main handicapper at your club and is being mailed directly to your club. If there are any problems, please let me know.

NEW Handicappers Worksheet

NEW FOR 2011
(For handicappers only)

As presented at the Annual Meeting, you can look forward to many changes to the Handicappers worksheet

A Central Council wish came true.

They wanted some way to be able to compare PHRF-LO rated classes against each other, other than using the AK factor (used in the C.Kramer formula). This was done and presented to them at their November meeting and they voted to eliminate the requirement of an AK value for new Initial Assignments.

However, they still wanted to be able to look at the CKSP value, as well as other calculated handicaps.

Out of this request grew a whole new worksheet with multiple tabs that will evaluate not only calculated handicaps but will also summarize the ratings for all North American PHRF ratings and do this for all "Comparable classes".

I hope to have this available within the next few weeks, hopefully, before you have your next District meeting.

Central Council News

Central Council held a meeting on November 20th, highlights of that meeting are:

Viking 22

More information needs to be collected in order to correctly identify the boats in our roster. Letters have been sent.

ODR classes

A review of the rating changes made last spring will be done at the next meeting. This is being done in response to some concerns that were brought to the attention of Central Council.

Code Zero Sails

Current rules will stay in force. Flying sails with a girth measurement of less than 75% of the foot will not be allowed.

LOA to LH

All references to Length Overall (LOA) will be replaced with Length of Hull (LH).

District News

Meetings held by:

Eastern District– Nov. 13th, 2010
New handicaps: (FS/NFS)

Abbott 33 MOD – (129/138)

Other Business:

Bluenose – request for Central Council to set rating at (243/276)

Race Analysis and Alerts

The 2010 Race Analysis has now been uploaded to our web site.

Summary Analysis is available to the general public.

Detailed Analysis is available to registered handicappers.

NOTE: At the Annual meeting it was decided that we would no longer supply a printed and bound copy of the reports free of charge. They will be made available on our web site for downloading or you can order and pay for a copy.

Alert List Review

The classes that will be reviewed by Central Council based on the Race Analysis Alerts are now available on-line.

If you have any information to supply in regard to any of these classes, please post them on our Forum.

Sailwave to DMS

Due to a wonderful handicapper stepping in to help, we now have a way to extract Sailwave race data in the exact format required for importing into the PHRF-LO DMS race analysis program.

A link will be created on our web site and will be available to be used by all.

This will be a huge help to this office when race results start coming in.

In relation to this, we have also discovered that our site can help YOU import all the data for an owner that we have in our roster.

In the Handicappers menu, Certificate Query section, you can export your search results to a csv file. This file can then be used to import the data into Sailwave.

I will be working on getting more detailed directions (on our web site) for both of these processes.

Projects on the Go

Yes, it seems I am never really going to go without some kind of project or two. Here is a list of items that I am currently working on.

Certificate Changes

Central Council has asked that we now include all "standard class" measurements on the certificates. I will be working with our programmer to get this in place by April 1st

One Design approach

It was discussed by Central Council and agreed that having an ODR designated class was causing some confusion. The result was that we would remove the ODR classes and use the PHRF class with all maximum class legal sail sizes and specifications for owners claiming ODR status. This is an item that requires program changes that we are currently working on and will have in place by April 1st.

Web site Upgrade – continues

As many of you are aware our web site went through a major overhaul. There are still items, like "Certificate Renewals" that need to be worked on.

I will also be looking at upgrading the Forum, but this may not happen for a while.

Handicapper Worksheet

As explained separately in this newsletter.

Upcoming Meetings

Central Council Meetings
February 26, 2011
March 26, 2011
November 19, 2011

Spring Training Session
March 26, 2011

Executive Meeting
November 19, 2011