



PHRF OF BC
SPRING 2015 HANDICAPPERS COMMITTEE MEETING
March 25, 2015 West Vancouver Yacht Club

MINUTES

Present: Gunnar Jonsson, Chair
Matt Wagstaffe (Member At Large)
Brett Willetts (Royal Vancouver YC)
Clint Currie (West Vancouver YC, Squamish YC; Gibsons YC,
Kitsilano YC, Garden Bay SC, Centennial SC)
Jason Vandergaag (Vancouver Rowing Club)
George Streadwick (Eagle Harbour YC)
Al Whitfield (Point Roberts YC)

Guests: Terry Waters, Naniamo Yacht Club and Ron Jewula, RVicYC

Meeting called to order 1818hrs.

ITEM 1: Acceptance of Minutes of the Fall 2014 Handicappers Committee Meeting.

Moved by Jason Vandergaag, 2nd Al Whitfield:

The Minutes of the Fall 2014 Handicappers Committee Meeting be
accepted as read.

Passed.

ITEM 2: Review of new PHRF BC base boat rating assignments and changes.

Moved by Jason Vandergaag, 2nd George Streadwick:

The new PHRF BC base boat rating assignments/changes be accepted as read.

Passed.

ITEM 3: Watch list review.

All current Watch List yachts to remain on the list pending further race results.

ITEM 4: Administrative update.

Current 2015 certificates issued: 143 - in line with last year at this time.

ITEM 5: Rules Review.

Continuation of discussion regarding spinnaker formula amendments to better
reflect actual sail area of asymmetric spinnakers. Written presentations by Jason
Vandergaag and Ron Jewula were discussed.

ITEM: A working group led by Jason Vandergaag and assisted by Ron Jewula will prepare a research paper with recommendations for spinnaker formula changes, trial data and associated rule changes necessary to more closely align PHRF BC rating calculations with PHRF North West and other North American PHRF jurisdictions. The purpose is to minimize the current positive asymmetric spinnaker conversion bias from As Sailed ratings and to more accurately reflect true sail area.

The research will be presented to Handicappers, all current certificate holders and all local sailmakers for input by May'15.

It is anticipated that changes to the Rules of PHRF BC will be formally adopted at the Fall'15 Handicappers Meeting and that the new rules will be implemented starting with 2016 certificates..

ITEM 6: New business.

a. Update PHRF NW communications: Chair Gunnar Jonsson reviewed his outreach to Chair of PHRF NW Eric Nelson regarding BC/NW reciprocal acceptance of each jurisdiction's current certificates (normalized as needed but not otherwise changed). Although Mr. Nelson acknowledged receipt of the proposal no further communication has been received.

Update continuing discussions between Vancouver Island Club Handicappers and PHRF BC regarding amalgamation: Terry Waters, PHRF Handicapper Nanaimo YC, recently forwarded an updated draft Memorandum of Understanding to PHRF BC Chair Gunnar Jonsson. An edited/revised draft will be distributed to PHRF BC Handicappers shortly for consideration.

b. The Handicappers Committee has unanimously agreed to review the performance of the Laser 28 and the C&C 35 Mk1 in relation to other Division 3 yachts. This review may result in a rating Appeal brought by the Committee and to be heard at the Fall 2015 PHRF BC Appeal Hearings. Notice of this action will be sent to all affected yacht owners immediately and final notice of Appeal will be forwarded in October 2015 if the review warrants. Both yacht classes will be immediately placed on the Handicappers' Watch List.

ITEM 7: 2014 PHRF BC Fall Appeals hearings - 1930hrs.

1. Andy Brands, No Affiliation, appealing C&C40-2 I, #74450, Momentum
No change.
2. Bruce Winfield, EHYC, appealing Olson 911SE, class boat rating
No change.
3. Owner rep'd by Francois Frische, WVYC, appealing Aerodyne 38, #51438
Aerodyne 38 assigned ODR 45 with max spinnaker area of 1800sqft or smaller using PHRF BC formula. Standardize to PHRF NW.
4. Simon Hill, TCYC, appealing Abbott 36X, #3, Krikkit
3 second credit awarded for rig alterations (R).
Yacht to be placed on the Handicappers Watch List.