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October 23, 2011 - PHRF-LE MEETING MINUTES – Houlihan’s, Westlake OH

Attendance: Doug Howe, Bill Kellner, Colin Mills, Dick Synowiec, David Lengyel, Joe Roetter, Dave Ryan, Chris Merkle. New committee member: James Kulwicki. Guests: Chris McCardle, Dan Sadoski, Dave Caracci

Administrative – Minutes approved from the September 26th meeting.

New Applications

Base Rating

Columbia 32C – Grinder – BHSC – Boat was never made; owners needs to resubmit application when Boat is built; remove from agenda	
Classic 5.5 Meter – Joseph Gelsomino-Little Sister-BHSC; no lifelines; owner is OK with restricted rating; the committee voted to issue a restricted certificate even though boat does not have a motor. It is up to the race committee at owner’s club to provide on the water support/chase boat. Jim Kulwicki, the new rep in the Buffalo area will contact club to point this out. Doug will write letter to	168
C&C 27-5 IB – temp 180; 3 boats in our database that have 27-3 designations should be 27-5’s; specs were checked and it was determined that they are in fact -5’s. Joe Roetter confirmed the 3 boats are at BHSC have the outboard rudder and a review of original applications indicate the measurements support that 3 boats should be changed to the -5 designation. The rating for 27-5 is 180. Delete the -3 class designation. If a 27-3 ever shows up on Lake Erie, a new rating will be for the -3 will be determined.	180
Hughes 40 – Bradenburg-Buffalo	180
Farr 400 – expected this summer; start thinking about rating; Kellner to research.	

Modifications

Base Rating
Old **New**

Hunter 26 5 Mod Gilford-North Cape; committee estimated penalty for added sprit of -3 or -6 at the April meeting; paperwork submitted called for 2’; temporary rating of -6 for bow sprit was issued upon submission of paperwork/application showing 3’ sprit. He gets +6 for roller furling jib so they wash; on the water is 189;Judy had a question of whether the sprit was 2’ or 3’; tabled; Keith confirmed it is 3’ and John will confirm. Need to confirm the estimated penalty at -6 for the 3’ sprit.

Appeals

Base Rating
Old **New**

OLD BUSINESS

- Wavelength 24 –Dave Caracci, the owner of a Wavelength 24 gave a great history lesson on the of what is standard configuration. When the Wavelengths were first rated by PHRF-LE, they came with v-berth boards, v berth cushions, and a place for a porta potty. The original Wavelengths had wood stringers and wood bulkheads. After Hull #100, there is no v berth or v berth boards in the bow of the boat; it is just a fiberglass shell and is advertised as sail storage. The weight is listed as the same but it is unclear if it really is. After Hull #100, the cockpit was lengthened allowing for better crew distribution and weight placement. From the Wavelength 24 Facebook page – vertical wood runs lengthwise in the cabin next to the bunks ...the newer WL 24s uses fiberglass sandwich panels in the same locationThe same newer boats also had vertical fiberglass sandwich panels running from the aft bulk head to the stern on each side of the companion way, connecting the floor of the cockpit to the inside bottom of the hull.....
- The discussion relative to any change in the rating and specifically the reported absence of any interior, no head, and stringers and bulkheads repaired with fiberglass vs. wood and fiberglass foam core support panels that Matt Dubois used in Hull #51 that is now at GIYC was tabled until the November meeting.

New Business

- Joe Roetter will resign due to being elected to Vice Commodore at BHSC; he brought James Kulwicki who will take over for him in the Buffalo area.
- Joe's resignation will also leave a vacancy in the Treasurer position. The vote was unanimous to appoint Judy Kellner as Treasurer in addition the Secretary position. It was pointed out that the Secretary/Treasurer position is combined in many corporations.
- Joe also reported some dissension among the Buffalo members. Doug suggested he make a trip to Buffalo but Joe thought that was premature at this point. Joe and/or Jim will keep the committee apprised of the situation.
- Race Results program – Dan Sadoski discussed his race scoring program; Dan entertained suggestions to the program by the committee and Dan discussed how race results can be extracted. The committee will continue to recommend the scoring program for clubs on Lake Erie. Dan will continue to enhance the program with suggestions from users.
- New Boats for 2011 – Rating Review – assignments and discussion.
- An anonymous letter was received by the committee reporting a modified rudder on Vagabond/Islander 30 at Chagrin Lagoons. The boat has since been sold and is out of the area. George Raynor reported that the claim was unfounded. A note will be put in the file in case the boat shows up again on Lake Erie.
- 2010 Financials – 2010 Financials were never produced during the changeover from Matt Kern to Joe Roetter. Judy will recreate the accounting records and produce a belated financial report for 2010.
- Rating Range Review for 2012 will be ratings >200 – List will be provided for the next meeting.
- Class Rules 2012 – No changes for 2012; change review schedule to May for the following year to allow communication to sailmakers and members.

Renewal history - 2011: 604 members; 605 members in 2010; 616 members in 2009; 619 members in 2008; 629 members in 2007; 644 members in 2006; 668 Members in 2005

Next Meetings:

Sunday, November 13 – Houlihan's Westlake, OH – 10:30 am
Sunday, December 11 – Houlihan's Westlake, OH – 10:30 am