

PHRF Meeting Minutes - March 2020

Members: Rick Sinclair (Chair), Charlie Powers, June Kendrick, Rick Royce, Paul Kueffner, Charles Hurd, and Alistair Duke.

Apologies: Mike Colucci, Paul Wefer.

Meeting was called to order at 8.10pm, via conference call.

- Beneteau 45F5. Oversize pole and undersized spinnaker. -3.
- Olson 30. Attractive Nuisance. Carried forwards to April meeting - Handicapper to collect more information from the owner..
- Sunfast 3300. Carbon rig. Fathead. 212L of water ballast. Particular comps to the Sunfast 3600, JPK 1080. Provisional rating - 63/57/63/63.
- Cal 40. Towhee. Modified rudder redeclared following technical issue with certificate renewal. History of declaration reviewed and notes corrected. No change to Towhee. Rudder adjustment notes to be added to the Cal40 base rating.
- Dehler 38-2 Competition. 104% jib. Owner questions reference to 120% LP in the standard base rating and enquired about relief. Analysis reveals that it would be impossible to fly a 120% jib given the shroud geometry - hence the Committee concludes that an error was made in the original Base rating. Base changes to reference to 110% LP.
- Ker 11.3. Peacemaker. Competitor voiced concern that the rating for Peacemaker is too favorable. Extensive discussion of performance relative to Swan 42 and other Ker designs. Rating modified for 2020: 9/3/9/3 > 3/-3/3/-3.
- J/121. Carbon rudder declared. More information sought, carried forwards to the April meeting.
- Discussion about the legality of jib outriggers in PHRF. Rick Royce brought attention to other rating rules making changes in this area and the Committee unpacked the details. No explicit decision was made, and more research will be conducted over the coming months with potential to include something in the 2021 Rule. The Committee cautions anyone who may, in the near term, be considering spending large sums of money in an attempt to optimize performance in this area to be aware that the regulations may change.

Thursday March 12th, 2020

- Overnight race at AYC Spring. Figaro II fleet anticipated to participate. In the absence of a OneDesign fleet, a question regarding the availability of free PHRF certificates for college/academy owned boats will be referred to the President.
- The Chairman once again welcomes expressions of interest from members willing to volunteer their time and expertise to the PHRF Committee. In particular, the Committee is actively seeking greater representation from the following areas:
 - New Rochelle, Larchmont, Mamaroneck, Rye
 - Western LIS, including Eastchester Bay and Manhasset Bay.
 - Eastern Long Island including Port Jefferson.

Next Meeting - April 9th, 8pm. Venue TBC.

Meeting adjourned at 11pm.

Respectfully submitted

Alistair Duke