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REVISED FEBRUARY 11 (SEE NEW BOATS ADDED)

MINUTES FOR THE ANNUAL REVIEW, FEB 12, 2020

The Annual Review was held Wednesday, Feb 12, 2020 at Singing River Yacht Club. All Area Handicappers were present.

AREA HANDICAPPER:

Each Area Handicapper serves on the PHRF committee for 5 years. We rotate one change per year. 2019 was the last year for the Mississippi's Area Handicapper, Sam Vasquez. Sam is a very active sailor throughout the GYA and his knowledge on most GYA boats was very beneficial to all our sailors. Sam will remain on the committee as an Assistant Handicapper.

Based on the recommendation of Frank Allen, the Commodore of Pass Christian Yacht Club, and others, and based on my recommendation, Scott Sonnier, Chairman of the GYA Offshore Council appointed Eric Aschaffenburg (PCYC) as the Area Handicapper for Mississippi. Eric brings his wealth of knowledge of rating systems (CCA, IOR, MORC, IMS, PHRF, etc.) and his extensive participation in Gulf Coast regattas, having owned and raced many different types of boats, to the PHRF committee. Eric is a welcomed addition to our PHRF committee.

DISCUSSION:

WET OR DRY SAILING:

Many years ago the PHRF committee removed the -6 second dry sail penalty from our by-laws. At the time, all yacht classes were reviewed to determine what the rating issued to the class was based on: either wet or dry sailed. As an example, the J-24 rating was based on the performance of the dry sailed J-24s. Therefore, the Base rating for all J-24s was set at the dry sailed rating of 171. Each class was evaluated accordingly.

The question has been raised that this penalizes boats within a class that are different than the basis (wet/dry) established for that class. The following by-laws change is proposed (will be voted on at the next scheduled board meeting):

APPENDIX – C, ADJUSTMENT GUIDELINES, ITEM 10.

DELETE: Dry Sailing:

- a. "A boat that does not have a permanent wet slip or does not have anti-fouling bottom paint, or a boat that has anti-fouling bottom paint but is normally kept out of the water, should state DRY sailed on her PHRF certificate (no adjustment in rating will be made)."

ADD: Wet or Dry Sailing:

- a. A boat that does not have a permanent wet slip, or a boat that does not have anti-fouling bottom paint, or a boat that has anti-fouling bottom paint but is kept out of the water (except for repairs and/or maintenance, not to exceed 3 haul outs per year) must have declared on their PHRF certificate DRY sailed. All other boats that have bottom paint and a permanent wet slip will have WET sailed declared on their PHRF certificates. A WET sailed boat delivered to and from a regatta by trailer up to one week before and one week after the regatta will not be considered dry sailed. A WET sailed boat will not be considered dry sailed if it is lifted to clean the bottom and returned to the water by the following day (anytime over the following day will be considered a repair/maintenance haul out, limited to 3 per year). All PHRF certificates carry the WET or DRY sailed status declared on applications and renewal notices. Each owner is responsible to notify the PHRF committee when their status as stated on their certificate is not in compliance with this rule.
- b. The PHRF committee will indicate W or D on each new and renewed certificate to indicate the basis for the class. Ratings will be adjusted by plus or minus 3 seconds for the boat(s) within the class that are different than the basis determined for the class. As an example, the J/27 basis is WET sailed. A DRY sailed J/27 will receive a -3 second adjustment. The J/24 basis is DRY sailed. A WET sailed J/24 will receive a +3 second adjustment.

DISCUSSION:

Currently, a production boat not rated as ODR can, for no change in rating, change to a asymmetrical spinnaker not greater than 114% of a standard J pole symmetrical spinnaker, tacked to a sprit/structure not greater than J+1.5'. Our by-laws go on to say that a boat can only carry asymmetrical or symmetrical, not both and it must be declared on their certificate. The only boats that have opted for this change have been the heavier displacement type boats. The following by-laws change is proposed and will be voted on at the next scheduled meeting:

APPENDIX – C, ADJUSTMENT GUIDELINES: paragraph f:

DELETE: “A boat may carry symmetrical or asymmetrical spinnakers, not both, and the choice must be declared on PHRF certificate, otherwise PHRF certificate will be for symmetrical only.”

ADD:

- 1) Boats that are not rated as ODR and have a SA/DSPL value greater than 20.0 may carry symmetrical or asymmetrical spinnakers, not both, and the choice must be declared on PHRF certificate, otherwise the PHRF certificate will be for symmetrical only.
- 2) Boats that are not rated as ODR and have a SA/DSPL value less than 20.01 will be allowed to carry both asymmetrical (tacked to either the J or the J+1.5') spinnakers, and standard symmetrical spinnakers (tacked to a spinnaker pole not greater than J). Only one spinnaker can be carried at a time, except when changing spinnakers. The PHRF certificate will note ASY/SYM for those boats that meet and declare this option, otherwise the PHRF certificate will be for symmetrical only.
- 3) Boats rated as ODR will sail with asymmetrical and/or symmetrical spinnakers as permitted by their class rules.

PROVISIONAL RATINGS: (assigned at or since the last meeting, were affirmed at this meeting):

	BASE	NET	COMMENT
SWAN 54	15	24	+6 HDSL, -3 CF MST/ BOOM +6 RF JIB
BENETEAU OC 46.1 SD	57	90	+3BOW THRUSTER, +6 HDSL, +9 SM ASY SPNK, -3 SMG/FT=65%, +18 RFM W/NO VERT BAT.
FREEDOM 38 WK	147	153	+6 HDSL

APPEAL:

BENETEAU OCEANIS 40 WK CC	123	159	NOT COMPETITIVE W/ BOATS IN RATING RANGE, USALLY LAST
DECISION: The board voted unanimously to increase the rating +6 seconds to:	129	165	

NEW BOATS RATED:

BENETEAU 331 "ADAGIO" (BBSC)			+3 HDSL, -3 MAST, +12 RFM,+6 RF JIB, +12 3 BL FIX PROP
DECISION: The board voted unanimously to set the provisional rating at:	153	183	
NORTHERN 29 "FAVORITE MISTAKE"			+6 HDSL, +6 RF JIB, +6 2 BL FIX PROP
DECISION: The board voted unanimously to set the provisional rating at:	195	213	
NORWALK ISLAND SHARPIE 43 "LIBERT'D" (PTYC)			+6 HDSL, +6 RF JIB, +6 2 BL FIX PROP
DECISION: The board voted unanimously to set the provisional rating at:	132	150	
VAGABOND 47 SAYSAIL KTCH "ANNABELL" (PYC)			+6 HDSL, +6 RF JIB
DECISION: The board voted unanimously to set the provisional rating at:	156	165	
SAKONNET 23 "MOJO" (BYC)			+6 RF JIB
DECISION: The board voted unanimously to set the provisional rating at:	240	246	

ANNUAL REVIEW: Reviewed each yacht class per our By-Laws, with the following changes (voted on unanimously):

CAPE 31 ODR MOD "PRIVATEER" (SYC) -3 seconds, now:	18	15
ESSE 990R ODR "FRESH PINEAPPLE" (SYC) -9 seconds, now:	51	51
B-32 "DEFIANCE" (NOYC) -3 seconds, now:	75	69