



**Minutes from AYC KHF Handicap Committee Open Meeting
Jan 9, 2007**

HC Committee Attendance: J. Johnstone
R Meyers
R. Shull
J. Welles
J Madolazzo

Not Present T. Lappin

1. Observers S. Vaughn

1. Call to order at 7:35 PM.
2. Introduction of 2 new members: John Madolzzo, Tom Lappin
3. Elected Jim Johnstone as Chairman for 2007
4. Review of KHF Committee duties:
 - a. Discuss and assign PHRF handicaps to boats requesting them
 - b. Assign immediate handicaps to boats at regattas
 - c. Review handicaps assigned to boats to make sure they are appropriate
 - d. Review PHRF handicaps if there is a KHF member request
 - e. Assigned Regatta Handicapping duties:

Regatta	Date	Primary	Backup
Spring	April 21	Jim	Ray
Turnback	May 26	Ray	John
Leukemia Cup	Oct 21	Bob	JoAnn
Wild Turkey	Dec 1	Jo Ann	Bob
Red Eye	Jan 1, 07	John	Tom

5. PHRF Fleet Status – Steve Vaughn reported that we have rejoined the US Sailing PHRF fleet. This will give us information on handicapping and require us to report our handicaps. It also gives KHF members a venue to appeal PHRF ratings we have assigned.
6. Issues from Red Eye Regatta: One new boat was handicapped and one boat was scored using the wrong handicap. The reason for the incorrect handicap was that the club database (which showed the correct handicap) was not used for entering the handicaps into the scoring program. The handicaps were instead entered from the paper regatta entry form.

A better way to do this is to enter boats using the AYC regatta entry system and then export an excel spread sheet to the scoring program which can reference the PHRF archive to get the correct PHRF numbers.

If paper entry forms are used, only the sail number should be entered so the proper handicap information can be accessed. Jim Johnstone will work with the scoring committee to improve the procedures.

7. Reviewed 3 new PHRF requests including Rob Stivers from the Red Eye Regatta and two renewals:

Sail No.	Boat Type	Boat Name	Owner	PHRF	Rating Type
54	Hunter 28.5	Slow Play	Rob Stivers	189	Permanent
42	Hobie 33	Red	Henson/Vaughn	90	Permanent
20	San Juan 7.7	Sweet Agony	Brad Kocen	192	Permanent

8. Discussed file organization and agreed to look into creating an access database on the scoring computer. The database can be backed up on a CD ROM and could be made accessible from the KHF home page. Jim Johnstone to follow up.
9. Discussed how to rate Spinnakers and Gennakers. According to the PHRF FAQ page at US Sailing “What type of spinnaker is allowed is up to the individual region. Some allow all types with appropriate penalties while other areas prohibit Code "0" spinnakers or only allow one type of spinnaker to be carried.” The Handicap committee agreed upon the following:
 - a. A headsail is tacked in front of the mast and has a midgirth of 50% or less of its foot dimension (RRS 50.4)
 - b. For PHRF Handicapping a head sail with a midgirth greater than 50% of its foot will be treated as a spinnaker.

- c. A boat may have more than one spinnaker but may only fly one spinnaker at a time (RRS 50.1)
- d. A boat will be handicapped based on the size of its largest spinnaker.

10. Open Discussion

- a. Agreed to write a "Telltale" Article on why we are requiring renewal of PHRF forms, what happens if you don't.
- b. Researched a couple of old request forms for Catalina 30 and J22 to see what headsail size was specified on how they were filled out.
- c. Discussed possible number of different configurations for a Catalina 30.

11. We agreed on to meet at AYC on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. Our next meeting will be an open meeting on February 13

12. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM