

Minutes of Lake Huron PHRF Rating Committee Meeting
Sunday, March 18, 2007
Port Huron Yacht Club

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 2:15 pm.

Attendance. Committee members present were: Nick Ward, Jason Latham, John Speirling, Gerry Spanton, Kerry Hitchings, Steve Cooper, Tony Shepherd, David Hayward, Tim Clayson, Reed Stromberg and Jay Gillespie.

Agenda. The meeting agenda was distributed.

Secretary's Report. The meeting minutes from the May 15, 2006 meeting were reviewed and accepted as published by the committee members present.

Treasurers Report. The treasurers report dated March 17, 2007 was reviewed and accepted by the committee members present. This report was amended on March 3, 2007 due to a reporting error. The reporting error and its correction was discussed by Treasurer, Jason Latham, and agreed upon by all committee members. The March 17, 2007 treasurers report reflects the correction. Account balance as of 12/31/06 was \$2,242.15.

Lake Huron PHRF Bank Account. It was voted on and agreed by all committee members that Nick Ward, Chief Handicapper, be added to the Lake Huron PHRF bank account. He will replace Jay Gillespie, Secretary, whose name will be removed from the Lake Huron PHRF bank account.

PHYC/SYC Cruising & Handicap Fleet Rating Dues. Lake Huron PHRF will be rating boats in both the Cruising and Handicap fleets for 2007. According to Chief Handicapper, Nick Ward, the estimated fees will generate approximately \$200.00 (\$150.00 from the Cruising fleet and \$50.00 from the Handicap fleet).

LHYA Regatta & King Trophy Donation. A discussion regarding the LHYA donation request of \$400.00 took place. The donation would go towards the LHYA Regatta and King Trophy. Steve Cooper motioned to grant the \$400.00 donation, Kerry Hitchings seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Chief Handicapper Report. Nick Ward reported that there are approximately 25 new boats to date. This will increase the number of Lake Huron PHRF applicants from a total of 90 in the year 2006.

Lake Huron PHRF Certificates. A lengthy discussion regarding whether or not PHRF Certificates needed to be sent to every registered Lake Huron PHRF boat took place. It was voted on and accepted by the committee members present that PHRF certificates do not need to be sent to every Lake Huron PHRF boat. Rather, certificates only need to be sent to "New" or "Changed" boats as well as to any skipper requesting a certificate copy. Certificates requested by skippers would be provided at cost. The committee members were further in agreement that master valid rating lists distributed to all Lake Huron PHRF member clubs would serve as an adequate replacement for the certificates at the local level. Chief Handicapper, Nick Ward, indicated that that he will notify the Lake Huron PHRF membership of the new PHRF certification distribution method by way of email. Other forums such as yacht club websites, notice boards and the LH PHRF website may be used to get the message out.

Old Business. The committee discussed the notion of a joint relationship between Lake Huron PHRF and LHYA. It was agreed by the committee members present that a sub-committee be organized to explore both "positives" and "negatives" of such a joint membership. Both Nick Ward and Kerry Hitchings agreed to head the sub-committee.

Rating Reviews. The committee reviewed all Lake Huron PHRF boats from the 2006 valid list which did not have a "temporary" rating. These boats were voted on and accepted without any rating changes.

Temporary Rating Reviews. The committee reviewed and voted on many temporary ratings. The results are shown

in the table below.

Temporary Boats for Review

Boat	Current Rating	New Rating
Big Fun	69T	Needs Measuring
Controlled Chaos	21T	21
Critical	75T	78T
Mr. Green Jeans	93T	93
Canadian Express	120T	120
Hysteria	114T	120T
Knot Yours II	114T	114
Calista	123T	123T
Silver Bullet	138T	135T
Ultimate 20	138T	138T
Hi Hopes	141T	141
Necessity	150T	Skip
Orange Crate	150T	Skip
2nd Thought	144T	144T
Portia	171T	171
Spirit	171T	171
San Souci	174T	174
Nessie	183T	Skip
Ona Whim	189T	189T
Sea Gar	195T	195T
CA-OS	243T	243T

Rating Appeals. Currently, two boats have issued rating appeals. Orange Crate (John Budinski) from BSSC and F.W. Price (Mark Harris) from SYC. Due to time limitations and scheduling conflicts, both of these appeals will be addressed at a future Lake Huron PHRF meeting sometime in April.

Orange Crate (John Budinski) Appeal Documentation. Nick Ward presented information which was sent to him via email by owner John Budinski (Orange Crate). The committee members reviewed and discussed this information at great length. This appeal along with owner provided information will be addressed at a future Lake Huron PHRF meeting.

Future Meeting Dates. It was agreed by all committee members present that the next future meeting dates will be: Sunday, April 1, 2007 (1:00 pm – PHYC) and Sunday, April 22, 2007 (1:00 pm – PHYC).

Meeting Adjourned at 3:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jay Gillespie
Lake Huron PHRF Secretary
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