

PHRF News



Your link to what's happening in and around the lake

News, services, events, projects, items of interest and much, much more.

It has been a very nice spring!!

The weather is sure causing a flurry of activity in this office.

I was told that some clubs are racing already!

I just have a few items that you should know about so this will be short and sweet.

Regards,
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PHRF-LO Executive Assistant

NOW AVAILABLE!!

- Handicappers Worksheet**
- Handicappers Manual
- Time on Time tables

** Handicappers only.

You can find these on the web

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Time on Time

New tables will have been prepared and are available on-line.

For those using scoring programs the formula remains the same as last year.

$$\text{TOT} = 566.431 / (\text{ASP} + 401.431)$$

$$\text{Scratch rating of } 165 = 1.000 \text{ TOT}$$

Valid Class List

NEW!!

A list of PHRF-LO rated classes and the standard specifications are now available to the general public.

However, this list does not contain any of the handicaps.

For those who are wondering, PHRF-LO discontinued the general publishing of handicaps several years ago due to abuse by some non-member clubs.

However, it was recently decided that it would be beneficial to publish a list of our classes.

Class Mod Description

NEW!!

Class Mod descriptions are now on-line.

In both the "Valid Class List" and "Class Query", all MOD and CUS classes

will have a description included in the "Details" link (where available).

Incomplete Certificates

NEW!!

For Handicappers

Take a look at the bottom of the Handicappers Menu and you will see a new menu item:

Your Incomplete Cert(s)

I created this to try to help you keep track of certificates that still required completion.

Some of these certificates will be as a result of an owner racing more than 5 races last season.

Others will be from certificate requests that could not be processed and are awaiting information. In these cases, I have attempted to supply you with a copy of the Application form.

Handicappers Worksheet

Make sure to download the most current version 10.3.1

NOTE ERROR!

If you are currently using version 10.2 or 10.3 please discard it as there is an error in the handicaps for the classes list which will result in incorrect ASP.

ODR Handicaps

Just a reminder that we offer ODR handicaps to PHRF-LO recognized Class Association Yachts.

What this means is that if you have an owner who wishes to race his/her boat that conforms to its Class Rules*, they can apply for an ODR handicap.

The ODR handicap is based on recognized "Class" specifications** for maximum sail sizes and propulsion.

Currently Recognized Classes are:

Farr 30
Farr 395
Farr 40
Flying Tiger 10M
J 105
J 22
J 24
Melges 24
Melges 32
Sonar
Ultimate 20

*must have the Class Stamp on the Sail

**details of these specifications are listed in our Handicappers Manual Page 66 – 69.

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New Classes

Beneteau Oceanis 311 RFM
ID 35 MOD
C&C 27-2 MOD
Tanzer 25 OB AS
Harbor 20
Oday 240

Other News

Mega 30 (all models)

It was brought to my attention that some of the Standard Dimensions on this class were incorrect.

Corrections have been made and all affected certificates have been re-issued.

Expired 2010 Certificates

Handicappers!!

In the "Certificate Query" I have allowed you to look up owners and boats that held a certificate in 2010.

However, I did not update those certificates.

The task of re-issuing the over 1600 certificates just for those issued in 2011 was daunting enough.

So you will still see a link to a certificate but you will not be able to view it.

Sorry!

Coming Up

November 17, 2012

Executive & Central Council Meeting

January 12, 2013

Annual Meeting at the Toronto Boat Show

RACE RESULTS PRIMER

Certain information is absolutely necessary in order for your club/organization's race results to be processed, but in order to quicken the process please send your results in one of the following formats:

ALL RESULTS MUST INCLUDE:

1. **Your name, phone number and club.**

In case there are problems with your race results, a contact is necessary. We realize that many handicappers do not handle the race results and thus must act as middleman. We would prefer to go direct to the source for any problems we may have.

2. **Division description** - i.e.: Spinnaker or NFS/White Sails

This is needed to ensure that the results are analyzed within the correct group. Please let us know if you have any one design class races that start with the regular fleet. These fleets can be analyzed together!

3. **Exact Yacht Name and Class** - please do not abbreviate!

a) In all cases a search for the name of the boat in our database can be done to retrieve the class, but not the reverse.

b) Unregistered boat name changes, multiple boat names and unregistered boats can result in that boat or the whole division being removed from the results if the exact class cannot be determined.

Our database includes 4000 boats, which can make it impossible to decipher which boat is which.

4. **Elapsed Time** – The elapsed time is required for the race analysis program.

Some scoring programs such as Quickscore (see special note), do not show elapsed time on any race printout but the times are available through other sources (see acceptable formats).

OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER

Wind Conditions are Important - In order to ensure the best possible data, *winds between 5 and 20 knot are best*. Wind conditions should be recorded or races with poor conditions should be excluded or marked for exclusion as these will make for poor or inaccurate results. If (after analysis and close review) it is suspected that the wind condition may be having an effect on the results (and no wind condition has been noted) races may be removed from the analysis on suspect only.

Special Regattas – Any races that do not ideally consist of a triangular racecourse (consisting of equal lengths reaching, beating and running) or windward/leeward (of equal legs) should be excluded or marked for exclusion. Exclusions would include races such as: long distance, single handed, etc.

FLEETS MUST BE SEPARATED

Spinnaker, No Flying Sails and One Design - please indicate these fleets or boats!!

One Design fleets can be included with regular fleets ONLY IF they have the same course, start time and are essentially racing against the regular fleet. If this is not the case, please have them separated and noted. It is at our discretion that combined fleets are included so this may not be possible for all results.

MINIMUM DATA:

1. Each race must have a minimum of 3 boats competing.
2. Each boat must have raced a minimum of 3 races.
3. If these minimums are not possible the race or boat will be removed.
4. In many cases, boats are removed due to lack of information. When this happens a domino effect often takes place where by, a race must be removed, then another boat removed, then another race removed, etc. etc. until in extreme cases the whole division must be removed.

PREFERED Formats:

Spreadsheet –This format is readily imported into the DMS program. The format for importing is as follows:

The first 2 Rows will consist of the Date of the Race and Wind Speed eg:

	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4
Row 1- Date of Race	Aug 12,2005	Aug 19, 2005	Aug 26, 2005	Sept 2, 2005
Row 2- Wind Speed	15 kts	20 kts	2-5 knts	12-15 knts

The next rows/columns will consist of information on each boat

	Column 1 Boat Name	Column 2 Class of Yacht	Column 3 ASP	Column 4 Owner/skipper	Column 5 Sail number
Row 3	Boat One	J 24 ODR	162	J. Smith	1234
Row 4	Boat Two	C&C 33	180	B. Simpson	5678
Row 5	Boat Three	Mirage 24	150	S. Bailey	1597

The adjacent rows/columns will contain the elapsed time of each boat in each race eg:

		Column 6 - Race 1	Column 7- Race 2	Column 8- Race 3	Column 9 - Race 4
Row 3	Boat One	012356	005632	010155	004513
Row 4	Boat Two	012220	005500	010013	004837
Row 5	Boat Three	013031	010020	010529	005346

Quickscore – Dan Hollands has built a utility into the program that allows us to export the information in the format set out as above. This can be used with most of the recent versions of Quickscore. This utility is not in all versions so please send all your QS data files (you may want to compress them into a Zip file if necessary) and we will process them to obtain the necessary information.

Sailwave – Tim Francis (a Handicapper for Sail Georgina) has developed an on-line utility that will extract the data into the exact format that is readily importable into the PHRF-LO Race Analysis program.

Please go to:

<http://phrf-lo.appspot.com/sailwave.html>

NOTE: If you are unsure or unable to use this process, please send the Sailwave blw data files to the PHRF-LO administration office and the information will be extracted for you.

A FINAL NOTE

In an effort to reduce the amount of preparation time required to process some of your results, I am now asking that they be submitted in one of the "preferred" formats. This will ensure that your results are processed quickly and accurately and in time for the AGM. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.