

## WYC PHRF Annual Meeting

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\* Minutes \*  
April 13, 2021

### Opening & Introductions:

Ray Boyd, PHRF Fleet Commodore, called the meeting to order at 6:37 P.M.

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the WYC Clubhouse is currently closed.

24 members of the PHRF fleets were present via a Zoom meeting. Terry Foster, Chairperson of the Race Committee, was also present.

**Minutes:** A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the minutes of the 2020 Annual Meeting as submitted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Chuck Ulmer reported that in 2020 there were 32 dues paying members. This was a decrease of thirteen members from the previous year and can be mainly attributed to COVID. PHRF is still the largest fleet at WYC. Fleet dues in 2020 were reduced to \$10 so income was only \$365 and expenses were \$29. Currently there is \$928 in the bank.

### Election of Officers:

Nominations for PHRF Officers for 2021 were presented by Ray:

Commodore - Ray Boyd

PHRF I Fleet Captain - Clay Babcock

PHRF II Fleet Captain - Josh Garvin

Secretary / Treasurer - Chuck Ulmer

A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to elect the entire slate of candidates as presented.

### Volunteer Recognition:

A thank you was given to those who volunteered their time as officers during 2020.

A special thanks to Dan Schertner who maintains the PHRF section of the WYC website and also handles the ratings for all PHRF boats.

### Fleet Rules Changes:

Two new rules were proposed for the PHRF fleets.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the following Rule:

A boat shall have the following safety gear on board while racing. *[DP]* *[NP]*

1) A minimum of one bucket of at least 9 liters capacity with a lanyard of at least one meter in length.

(2) One anchor with or without a chain, sized to the needs of the boat.

(3) A minimum of one fire extinguisher: type and capacity to comply with MN DNR regulations.

(4) A minimum of one lifesaving device ready to be thrown overboard.

(5) A first aid kit.

(6) A minimum of one water resistant flashlight.

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*The notation [NP] in a rule means that a breach of the rule may not be subject of a protest by a boat.*

*The notation [DP] in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

After discussion, the rule was voted on and adopted unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the following Rule:

The use of asymmetrical spinnakers is allowed. A boat may fly either symmetrical or asymmetrical spinnakers interchangeably. Rating must be based on the boat's largest spinnaker.

On boats WITHOUT factory sprits, an asymmetrical spinnaker may be tacked at the bow or forward of the bow via an aftermarket sprit. If an aftermarket sprit is used, the distance forward of the bow can be up to 20% of the boat's J measurement without penalty. For projected lengths longer than 20%, the sprit length will be added to the pole length measurement for rating purposes, which may incur a penalty.

After discussion, the rule was voted on and adopted by majority vote.

**Announcements:**

The fleet is preparing to having the ability to submit rating forms and dues payments online through the WYC website.

Terry provided the following report:

This year there will be doublehanded races on Monday from June through August. There will be 1 start with results based on PHRF ratings. This is an experiment and will be tried for one year to ensure there is enough interest to justify the expense of adding an extra evening of racing.

A new mark on the race course is being added for the J/70 courses. The mark is called the "F mark" and will be a green buoy that will be located downwind of the starting line.

The WYC board is considering how to stay compliant with state COVID requirements while trying to allow full crews during races. The protocols are being updated frequently so boat skippers should keep current with WYC communications.

The search for a new committee boat continues. It has been temporarily suspended until in-person inspections can be conducted prior to the purchase.

Several other announcements were made:

Boats racing in both PHRF I and PHRF II should relay to the committee boat which fleet they are racing in and also fly the correct flag for that fleet.

The fleet captains meeting will be on April 19 at 6 PM.

**Adjournment:** Ray adjourned the meeting at 8:15 P.M.