HRYRA Board Meeting Minutes December 5, 2012

Attending:

George Samalot, HRYRA President, PHRF Handicapper Cc Dwyer, HRYRA Secretary / Treasurer Terry Baldwin, Kingston Sailing Club Eric Baumes, HRYRA webmaster, Nyack Boat Club Eric Beck, Nyack Boat Club Mike Bergmann, Chelsea Yacht Club Mike Colucci, Chelsea Yacht Club Tom DiLauro, Hudson Cove Yacht Club John Edwards, Hudson Cove Yacht Club Peter Feroe, Shattemuc Yacht Club Will Gordon, Chelsea Yacht Club Peter Oden, HRYRA Rules and Appeals Chair, Shattemuc Yacht Club Bob Tamagny, Minisceongo Yacht Club Ian Westergren, Kingston Sailing Club

The meeting convened at 7 p.m. at Samalot Marine Inc.

Hurricane Sandy damage reports / ready for 2013?

Kingston Sailing Club – OK Chelsea Yacht Club – OK Minisceongo Yacht Club – OK Hudson Cove Yacht Club –

- South side of Haverstraw Marina will be ready
- Visiting boats <u>may</u> need to find an alternate marina / club to keep their boats for the regatta weekend.

Shattemuc Yacht Club – OK Nyack Boat Club –

• Should be ready in April 2013

2013 HRYRA Schedule:

Kingston Sailing Club	June 1 - 2, 2013
Chelsea Yacht Club	June 8 - 9, 2013
Hudson Cove Yacht Club	June 22 - 23, 2013
Shattemuc Yacht Club	September 7 - 8, 2013
Minisceongo Yacht Club	September 21 – 22, 2013
Nyack Boat Club	September 28 – 29, 2013

HRYRA Survey:

- All thought the survey was very good and thank Peter for all his work..
- All thought it should be created so it could be filled out online.
- Any further suggestions should be sent <u>as soon as possible</u> to Peter Feroe at <u>pferoe@gmail.com</u>
- The survey should be sent out as soon as possible.

PHRF breaks:

- The PHRF breaks for 2013 will be discussed via e-mail. The concern is the effects of Hurricane Sandy on the participation in the fleets. Many boats were lost or damaged.
- The PHRF breaks used in 2012 were.....

<u>Fleet</u>	PHRF spread	Streamer color
#1	0 – 121	blue
#2	122 – 160	orange
#3	161 – and higher	green
#4	non-spinnaker	white

• The <u>decision</u> will be made by the <u>end of February</u> whether the breaks in the spinnaker fleets will be left the same as 2012, or adjusted. A suggestion was to combine Fleet #1 and Fleet #2. There would then be two spinnaker fleets (0 – 160; 161 and higher).

Governance / Nominating:

- Eric Baumes summarized the HRYRA Governance draft that he and Rick Feldman drew up. Mike Bergmann, Peter Feroe et al thank Eric and Rick for an incredible job.
- All agreed that HRYRA needs to be more visible in the sailing community.
- A Communication Committee should be created. Regattas should be publicized 4 weeks ahead of the event.
- How do we make one-designs want to join HRYRA?
- Peter Oden thinks there should be a more extensive "HRYRA mission statement" on the Governance draft.
- Motion for 4 HRYRA officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) with one year terms MOTION PASSED. We made not fill all offices, but the passed motion gives the option.
- Motion for a Nominating Committee. Composed of one person from each club. MOTION PASSED. The Nominating Committee is :
 - Eric Baumes, Chairman
 - Mike Colucci
 - Tom DiLauro
 - St. John Forbes
 - Peter Oden
 - Ian Westergren
- Election of officers is KEY. The slate will be presented to PHRF certificate holders. The vote will be done via e-mail <u>before</u> the annual meeting. The HRYRA officers do <u>not</u> need to be HRYRA members (example...Cc) but only HRYRA members vote. In the future the voting could be opened up to "associate" members.

Area B Junior Championships:

- Peter Oden thinks Shattemuc Yacht Club will do the US Sailing Area B Junior Championships. He will discuss with Peter Feroe and confirm.
- Mike Bergmann suggests all clubs should chip in to help Shattemuc.

Leukemia Cup:

- Mike Bergmann will come up with a feasibility plan in 60 days.
- Mike Bergmann thinks the Leukemia Cup is too hard for one club to handle alone.
- Haverstraw Marina can not host because of Sandy damage.
- Mike Bergmann and Bob Tamagny have discussed and Minisceongo is willing to host the party.

- Nyack has too many other commitments in 2013 plus Sandy damage.
- HRYRA would be the organizing authority.

HRYRA Crew Trophies:

• The Board approved ordering glass tumblers with the HRYRA logo to be awarded to winning boats crew at the 6 member clubs HRYRA regattas.

Jack Yates "Appreciation" Trophy:

• The Board approved presenting Jack Yates with a Appreciation Trophy for his invaluable contribution to HRYRA and yacht racing on the Hudson for over 50 years.

Annual HRYRA Meeting and Awards Brunch:

- George says the Hudson Water Club at Haverstraw Marina would be willing to open in January. They would provide a cash bar, hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, and a buffet dinner for \$32 each plus tips for the staff
- HRYRA could again "chip in" to keep the cost per person to \$29.95.
- The Board approved the Hudson Water Club.
- The tentative date would be January 27, 2013.
- Cc will get on it.

Regatta Comments:

- Larger, more legible number / letters on course boards.
- Possibility of shorter time limits for individual races.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Cc Dwyer HRYRA Secretary / Treasurer