

**2017 HRYRA Fall Board Meeting  
Wednesday, November 15, 2017**

**In attendance:**

President: Mike Colucci

Vice President: Eric Baumes

Treasurer: Cc Dwyer

Secretary: Sally Wellens

PHRF Handicapper: George Samalot

CYC Fleet Captain – Jeremy Moore

CYC Representative: Mark Maxam - (could not attend)

HCYC Representative: Gerald Cohen

HCYC Representative: John Edwards

KSC Representative: David Wightman - (could not attend)

KSC Representative: Ian Westergren - (could not attend)

MYC Representative: Wayne Mitts - (could not attend)

MYC Representative: Jessie Fitzgerald

MYC Representative: Andy Hudson - (could not attend)

NBC Representative: Dave Otterbein - (could not attend)

NBC Representative: Alan Fligor

NBC Representative (One Design): TBD

SYC Representative (Rules/Appeals): Peter Oden

SYC Representative: Bob Millstein

SYC Representative (Jr. Sailing): Peter Feroe - (could not attend)

HBRA (Haverstraw Bay Racing Association) Representative: John Nonenmacher

Scorekeeper: Sherri Hill - (could not attend)

Women's Regatta Representative (Lizz Sugg)

**Topics:**

**1. Opening remarks from HRYRA President**

- Good season this year, experienced both extremes in the race course of moderate - much wind through little to no wind
- Board welcomed new CYC fleet captain, Jeremy Moore

**2. Treasurer's Report**

- Budget - broke even this year
- 91 PHRF certificates were issues for the 2017 season

**3. HRYRA Awards Brunch**

- Scheduled for Sunday, December 3rd 2018 at the Hudson Water Club in Haverstraw
- Brunch \$42 dollars per person, including tax and tip
  - This is the same price as last year; rates did not increase
  - HRYRA subsidizes a portion of the cost and the charge of admission is \$38 per person
  - This is a good deal with enjoyable venue, good food and everyone has an enjoyable time

#### **4. One Design Updates & Junior Sailing Updates**

- Good season, there was good participation
- To nominate new one design representative (Joh Marsh accepted position at a later date)

#### **5. Scoring Update: Review of Time Over Time (TOT) vs Time Over Distance (TOD)**

- Overall sailing communities are moving towards TOT scoring. HRYRA in 2017 implemented TOT scoring.
- Through analysis, MYC and KYC regattas showed some differences between the two types of scoring. Smaller boats improved on TOT during lighter air days.
- Overall the Board did not recommend for any changes in 2018. Board will continue to review again after the 2018 sailing season.
- Board is to ask racers for feedback and get their thoughts. Overall have not heard of issues on the new scoring of TOT.

#### **6. Weight Limit/Credit**

- It was noted that there has been attrition on YRALIS board (Yacht Racing of Long Island Sound), in which we follow similar guidelines set forth by this committee.
- There will be a new committee in place of YRALIS in 2018 and rule changes are expected in areas such as size of sail, number of crew members and removal of weight limit/credits and penalties.
- HRYRA will conduct analysis to see if we should also remove weight limits.
  - The Board noted that they may not be comfortable enforcing removal of the weight limit
  - Racers should protest, if they believe there is a discrepancy of the weight limit of another boat during the races

#### **7. Nyack Boat Club (NBC) Ideal 18 program**

- Through analysis, NBC's membership consists of an older population and people who are joining do not have sailboats
- As result, in efforts to drive membership and competition in the area, NBC has approved an Ideal 18 Sailboat Program. In 2018, NBC will launch a fleet of Ideal 18s
- NBC is planning to purchase refurbished boats. The boats come with a trailer, main, jib and spinnaker.
- Ideal 18s are competitively raced in nearby clubs and NBC sees this as a long term investment for their Club.
- Special activity memberships for use of the boats will be available for members and non- members. The program will appeal to younger members who are not able to purchase a boat, plus families with children who don't have the time or older members who may find it hard to maintain their own boat.

#### **8. Fleet Breakdowns / PHRF splits**

- No changes proposed in 2018
- Will continue to review each season

#### **9. Cox Sprague Scoring System**

- Cox Sprague is to reward the best boat for a given sailing season
- This scoring system has been in place for about 2 years and we will continue to review and enhance from lessons learned over the seasons

- Enhancements are expected for the 2018 season

#### **10. 2018 Race Schedule**

- **Spring Regatta Schedule**
  - KSC – June 2 & 3
  - CYC – June 9 & 10
  - HCYC – June 23 & 24
- **Fall Regatta Schedule**
  - SYC – Sept 8 & 9
  - MYC – Sept 15 & 16
  - NBC – Sept 22 & 23 or 29 & 30 (dependent on NBC schedule)
- **Long Distance Race**
  - To finalize dates in 2018. Tentatively scheduled for October 6 or 7, will have to check the NBC calendar and other NBC scheduled programs during this time.
  - Would we want to consider the race instead of September/October timeframe to be scheduled in June? Such as June 16th?
  - To table discussions if there should be a time limit. There was one in the 2017 racing season and boats were not able to finish.
- **Women's challenge**
  - The Women's challenge is held the first weekend in August
  - Data scheduled is Saturday, August 4, MYC will host

#### **11. Crew glasses for 2018 HRYRA Events**

- Clubs to let Cc and Sally know how many Crew glasses you need

#### **12. Would we like to schedule a speaker for 2018 / 2019?**

- Would like to schedule a speaker, but budget is flat and are not able to pay for a speaker at this time
- There was conversation to invite Dawn Riley from the Oak Cliff Sailing program, who has reasonable rates

#### **13. Common Sailing Instructions**

- There were no issues with the Common Sailing instructions and no changes will be made
- Note, there was discussion on use of the Sailing Instruction in the RSS by Peter Oden

#### **14. Other Items of Note:**

- KYC is offering Maritime Courses; such as Six Pack, Race Management seminars, etc.
- People who have raced recently at SYC have enjoyed their new improved facilities
- During a Coast Guard Safety Assessment meeting:
  - The topic arose that the right of way for Hudson River Barge Pilots are not being honored with the sailboats in Haverstraw Bay. Barges can be contacted on channel 16
  - We should expect to see Barges at anchor, particularly around Haverstraw Bay which is the widest part of the Hudson, for about 3-5 days.