

Performance Handicap Racing Fleet
Narragansett Bay (PHRF-NB)



2023 Annual Meeting

Dear PHRF - Narragansett Bay member:

Our annual meeting and election of officers is scheduled for 25 January, 2023 at the Bristol Yacht Club, Bristol, Rhode Island at 1830 hours (6:30 pm), to which you are invited. Enclosed is an agenda for the meeting. Please be advised that the meeting is relatively informal and usually lasts about one hour.

This year PHRF-NB is not expecting any major changes in rules, administration nor committee membership. There will be some minor corrections to the rules which will be red-lined when published in late February / early March 2023. The one, hopefully significant, improvement will be a new web page for PHRF-NB which is expected to come on-line in March.

One of the items open for discussion is the current state of the number of boats racing on Narragansett Bay. Our numbers have been slowly dwindling over the years with the owners and crews getting older. Any suggestion on how to slow and reverse this trend and get younger participation will be welcome. Also, if you are one of the very few willing to step up to the challenge of being a member of the Committee, please let us know.

The Annual Meeting is an open forum and is also an excellent time to bring comments or concerns to the committee. If you have a particular topic you would like to discuss, please e-mail your suggestion to Kathy <PHRFAdmin@phrf-nb.org>, so she can forward to committee members in the event we need to do some research or preparation to better address your topic.

Here's hoping that everyone has a fun and safe 2023 boating season.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Donald S. Kern', written in a cursive style.

Donald S. Kern
Commodore, PHRF-Narragansett Bay

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2023 Annual Meeting Agenda

Date: January 25, 2023

Attendees: PHRF-NB Board, Committee and Members

Time: 1830

Location: Bristol Yacht Club

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call – Don Kern, Will Museler, Roy Guay, Bob Horton, Ec Helme, Todd Johnston, Ken Madeiro, Vin McAteer, Mark Nannini, Randy Shore, Matt Smith, Kathy Rotsky, Members present

III. Approval of 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes (attached)

IV. Treasurers Report – Roy Guay

V. Nomination of Officers

Nomination Committee's slate of proposed officers for approval.

- a) Commodore – Don Kern
- b) Rating Chairman – Will Museler
- c) Treasurer – Roy Guay
- d) Secretary – Bob Horton

VI. Proposed Changes for 2022 Season

- a) Rehosting of the PHRF-NB Website
- b) Minor updating of PHRF-NB Regulations

VII. New Business

VIII. Open Discussion

IX. Adjournment

PHRF-NB Annual Meeting Minutes January 2022



Date: January 26, 2022

Attendees: PHRF-NB Board and Committee as well as PHRF-NB members and stand-ins

Time: 1830

Location: Zoom Meeting

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call – Don Kern, Commodore Will Museler, Rating Chairman; Roy Guay, Treasurer; Todd Johnston, Moose McClintock, Ken Madeiro, Vin McAteer, Kathy Rotsky PHRF-NB Administrator

PHRF Members in attendance; EC Helm, Nick Bowen, Bill Kneller, Mark Rotsky, Skip Mattos, Jonathan Nye, Chadwick Dickson, Nick Brachet, Paul Grimes, AB K Kaebel Representing Tim Grimes, Tripp Alyn representing Coasters Harbor

III. Approval of 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes. Motion Made, seconded and approved to accept the 2021 Annual Meeting minutes

IV. Treasurers Report – Roy Guay Motion Made, seconded and approved to accept the annual treasurers report.

V. Nomination of Officers

Officers nominated with committee approval.

- a) Commodore – Don Kern
- b) Rating Chairman – Will Museler
- c) Treasurer – Roy Guay
- d) Secretary – Bob Horton

Motion Made, seconded and approved to accept the slate of 2022 officers.

VI. Proposed Changes for 2022 Season

- a) Revision and updating of PRINCIPLES OF PHRF OF NARRAGANSETT BAY

Both Redline changes and changes implemented versions.

Motion Made, seconded and approved to accept the updated version of the principles.

b) Updating of PHRF-NB REGULATIONS; Definitions alignment and order of appearance as found in certificate application. Both Redline changes and changes implemented versions.

Commodore Kern submitted an oral change that would be reflected in the class/model of a boat that would place a – (dash)in the description: Example C&C 34 - MK3

Bill Kneller asked if the model of a boat could appear as a dropdown. Roy Guay, Don Kern and Will Museler agree that this is a good idea, but with the potential for upgrading or converting the existing platform it is best to but this on the future enhancements list.

VII. New Business – There was no new business submitted by those in attendance.

VIII. Open Discussion and Questions – the topic of support for PHRF by US Sailing was brought forth. Based on the Meeting at the Conanicut YC it was noted that the Olympics are a focus for US Sailing along with inclusivity and training. There was no mention of PHRF until the question portion of the meeting at which time the US Sailing speakers verbally stated that US Sailing fully supports PHRF and its mission. It was noted that there has been significant personnel turnover at PHRF and there may be financial issues as well.

Commodore Kern spoke with Jim Teeters in November regarding support for PHRF from US Sailing and has not heard back.

Bill Kneller also mentioned the turnover as a contributing issue at US Sailing

Alex Kaebel indicated that he felt PHRF-NB was doing a good job and was a well-run organization. He also stated that he understood US Sailing was undergoing personnel changes.

The question of when 2022 registrations would be available was addressed by Roy Guay who stated March was the target date.

IX. Adjournment – no further questions prompted a motion to adjourn which was seconded and approved.