

Results of the Racing Committee Meeting Saturday 28 May 2011

After some "heated" discussion it was decided to change the method by which we adjust our racing handicaps from the listed Portsmouth one's. Where we had been downwardly adjusting the winner to be at a slight disadvantage for the next race, we will instead be leaving the winner's handicap the same and upwardly adjusting everyone else's handicap to close the gap. The farther down in the results you are, the more you will be increased in handicap to give you a chance for the next race. Everyone will be brought up 50% between their time and the winner. This will start off based on the last race of 2010, so we make adjustments to the handicaps based on that outcome. Going forward, we will base it on the best 2 results over the previous 3 races. This will take considerably more time and calculation than in the past but, if it brings more racers out, it will be worth it! I'll try to put a sample calculation of how this will work on this page once I figure it out!

Other things that were discussed:

We will charge \$5/ boat for all races but we may also have a 50/50 draw at the suppers to help make racing self supporting in the future.

We will only race if we have a safety boat.

No spinnakers are allowed....only the "white sails" that you have on your boat.

We will continue to have open races (no "one fleet" scoring.)

There was interest in having races within the No-Wake area using a triangle of existing buoys. On fast days we will do a few circuits. We'll aim for races to be between 75-90 minutes.