



PHRF BC HANDICAP APPEAL FORM

APPELLANT INFORMATION:

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Appellant's yacht:

Name: Caliente Type: Hotfoot 27 Sail #: 29911
Current base boat rating: 141

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Yacht being appealed:

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REASON FOR APPEAL:

Rating was adjusted at Spring 2024 Handicappers Meeting from 147 to 141, and needs to be adjusted back.

This appeal concerns the relative ratings of 3 classes of boats that regularly race together and are close in performance: Hotfoot 27, Martin 242, Moore 24.

REPRESENTATIVE DATA:

Hotfoot27 is very even in performance across a broad range of conditions with the Martin242, and until Spring 2024 they rated the same at 147. The Hotfoot 27 did not suddenly become faster than the Martin 242. Both designs are about 40+ years old and their performance was optimized by skilled and experienced crews more than 30 years ago. Their relative performance has not changed. These boats should rate the same at 147.

Hotfoot 27 is very slightly faster in most racing conditions (but not all) than the Moore 24, another 40+ year old design whose performance has not changed. The rating difference between the Hotfoot 27 and the Moore24 should be no more than 5 or 6 points. Moore 24s all have as sailed ratings of 153.

I have extensive experience racing a Moore 24 (11 years) and the Hotfoot 27 (7 years), and have raced extensively against Martin 242s in both these designs.

RESULTS: only 1 relevant event this year, Swiftsure Inshore race. Finished 1 min 35 secs ahead of a Moore24, but lost on corrected time by 1 minute 20 seconds. Both boats were sailed well and should have basically been tied on corrected time.

Appellant's signature

Simon Walker

Date

Oct 27, 2024