

2017 Georgian Bay Cup

Sunday July 2, 2017, 7:00hrs Local Time Skipper's Meeting Saturday July 1, 2017, 17:30hrs Local Time

Georgian Bay Cup Committee of the Collingwood Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

The Georgian Bay Cup Committee of the Collingwood Yacht Club invites all sailors to participate in the 2017 Georgian Bay Cup Race. The Flying Sail Division will sail the 45 mile race course and will compete for the Georgian Bay Cup. The Non-Flying Sail Division will sail the 30 mile race course and will compete for the K-Force Trophy.

1 RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (current edition)*, all boats shall carry a hard copy of the rules.
- 1.2 The following prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association (CYA) apply for the entire race, see www.sailing.ca/files/racing/rules/CYAPrescriptions2013-16.pdf
- 1.3 The Georgian Bay Cup Race is governed by the following:
 GBC Race Equipment & Safety Regulations, see Appendix A
 CYC Visiting Yacht Policy, see www.collingwoodyachtclub.com
- **1.4** Racing rule(s) will be changed as follows:
 - The provisions of Appendix Q (CYA Prescription) of the Racing Rules of Sailing shall apply to the period between 2000hrs and 0600hrs
 - The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.
- Rule(s) of the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet Lake Ontario (PHRF-LO) http://www.phrf-lo.org/images/Documents/handmanss.pdf will apply.

1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text shall take precedence. If there is a conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

2.1 Sailboats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The race is open to sailboats that are well found and seaworthy offshore type monohull sailboats with accommodations and equipment that meet the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Race Catagory 4 Monohulls as modified by Appendix A: *Georgian Bay Cup Race Equipment & Safety Regulations*. The GBC Committee, upon application and subsequent review of technical evidence as to the heavy weather stability and crew comfort of a sailboat may, at their sole discretion and without appeal, accept or reject such sailboat as suitable for this race.
- 3.2 Eligible sailboats may enter by completing the 2017 GBC Registration Form and sending it with the required fee, to the Georgian Bay Cup Registrar by the end of Registration Saturday July 1, 2017 17:00hrs local time or at the discretion of the Registrar. The crew information associated with the boat's registration may be provided any time before the race. Preparation for the event by the race committee will be significantly aided by understanding the fleet make up. Skippers that are anticipating participation are asked to provide a provisional 2017 GBC Registration Form two weeks prior to the race. Please register early.

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- Late entries may be accepted under the following conditions: \$30.00 Late Fee. The late fee may be waived at the sole discretion of the Registrar. Please register on time.
- 3.4 The race is open to monohull sailboats that choose between one of the two Divisions. These will be the Flying Sail Division and the Non-Flying Sail Division. The boats must comply with OSRR Category 4 with minor modifications.
- 3.5 All sailboats shall hold a valid 2017 PHRF-LO certificate. For sailboats that have valid PHRF certificates from outside the PHRF-LO area, arrangements can be made in advance of the race to obtain a temporary PHRF-LO rating. For sailboats without a valid 2017 PHRF-LO certificate, the Collingwood Yacht Club Racing Committee can provide a certificate through PHRF-LO for \$40 including HST, please allow 2 weeks for processing.

All skippers shall be members of ISAF through their country's national organisation.

- **3.6** Supporting documentation for a complete entry includes all information requested in the entry form and payment of the entry fee.
- 3.7 Skippers in the Race shall not be less than 18 years of age.
- 3.8 Competitor's sailboat shall display a sail number specific to the sailboat's PHRF certificate. Requests, on the *Alternate Sail Number Form*, to display alternative sail numbers may be approved by the Georgian Bay Cup Registrar and must be filed during registration.

4 FEES

4.1 Required fees per boat are as follows:

All Classes \$30.00 CAD including HST

4.2 Following the Participants' Meeting a Bar-B-Q will be hosted by the Georgian Bay Cup Committee of the Collingwood Yacht Club. There will be a cost of \$15.00 for the Bar-B-Q for each participant.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The Registrar will be available at the CYC Clubhouse between 16:00hrs and 17:00hrs (the Registration deadline) on Saturday July 1, 2017, local time. Early registration will aid the Committee in planning the event and arranging for berthing.
- 5.2 The Skipper's Meeting will be conducted at 17:30hrs Saturday July 1, 2017 local time at the CYC Clubhouse. A representative of each boat should attend this meeting which is open to all participants.
- 5.3 The first warning signal is at 06:30hrs local time, Sunday July 2, 2017. Race start for the Flying Sails Fleet: 07:00hrs local time with a time limit of 16 hours or 21:00hrs local time. Race start for the Non-Flying Sails Fleet: 07:15hrs with a time limit of 15 hours 45minutes or 21:00hrs local time.

6 MEASUREMENTS AND INSPECTIONS

- All sailboats shall be reviewed for the equipment listed in the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Race Catagory 4 Monohulls as modified by Appendix A *Georgian Bay Cup Race Equipment & Safety Regulations*. This review is the responsibility of the person in charge of the sailboat. A sailboat must successfully complete this review prior to the start of the race.
- A sailboat may be inspected at any time. The Race Committee may, at the finish of the race, direct a sailboat to proceed directly to a designated location at Collingwood Yacht Club. A boat which fails to follow such directions or which subsequently fails the inspection may be protested by the Race Committee.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at www.collingwoodyachtclub.com by June 27, 2017.

8 VENUE AND THE COURSE

The Flying Sail Division Course will be from a start line in the area of TN11 off Collingwood Harbour, north across Nottawasaga Bay through the gap between the Campana Shoal Mark and the Christian Island Lighthouse, clockwise around Beckwith Island keeping it to starboard, once again through the gap between the Christian Island Lighthouse and the Campana Shoal Mark and south across Nottawasaga Bay to a finish line in the area of TN11 off Collingwood Harbour.

The Non-Flying Sail Division Course will be from a start line in the area of TN11 off Collingwood Harbour, north across Nottawasaga Bay around the Campana Shoal Mark, keeping it to starboard, and south across Nottawasaga Bay to a finish line in the area of TN11 off Collingwood Harbour.

The courses as described can be found on Canadian Hydrographic Service Chart 2283 "Owen Sound to Giants Tomb Island" and a paper copy of this chart will be a required item for all sailboats.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will apply.

10 SCORING

PHRF-LO current Time on Time formula shall be used with the Sailwave scoring system. Sailboats shall be scored in their own divisions. The Race Committee reserves the right to

adjust the scratch sailboat when converting the PHRF-LO Time on Distance to Time on Time based on the registrations received.

11 SUPPORT BOATS

The Race Committee Boat shall fly a Race Committee Flag and Support Boats shall fly a Collingwood Yacht Club Burgee.

12 BERTHING

Boats berthing at Collingwood Yacht Club, before or after the race, shall follow CYC Visiting Yacht Policy. Berthing assignments are limited and will be provided on a first come first served basis. Collingwood Harbour can accommodate moored boats as well as berthing on partially exposed seawalls. Collingwood Yacht Club is also in discussions with neighbouring yacht basins regarding accommodating GBC boats. Early registration of visiting boats will allow CYC to work out berthing requirements and solutions.

CYC also has a 4500 lb crane specifically for dry sailed boats to accommodate trailer racers. Early registration of visiting trailer racers is encouraged to alert the Race Committee of your needs and provide space for parking.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION WHILE RACING

- Accessing information that is not available to all boats during the race will be considered a violation of Rule 41.
- Each sailboat shall communicate with the Race Committee on channel 12 and report on passing the Campana Shoal mark outbound and inbound during the race.

14 PRIZES

The GBC Committee shall award the Georgian Bay Cup to the winner of the Flying Sail Racing Division, the CYC Invitational K-Force Trophy to the winner of the Non-Flying Sail Racing Division. These trophies will be presented to the winners at their Club's Annual Racing Banquet.

Prizes in the form of finisher flags will be awarded to the top three boats in each division.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, and or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in the event. By participating in the event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

16 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000.00 CAD per event or the equivalent.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please see www.collingwoodyachtclub.com.

Appendix A to the Notice of Race GBC Race Equipment and Sailing Regulations

1 PREAMBLE

- 1.1 Skipper's responsibility: The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper who must do his/her best to ensure that the yacht is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. He/She must be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. He/She must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is to be used.
- 1.2 Neither the establishment of this mandatory equipment list, nor the inspection of a yacht for compliance with the list in any way limits the complete and unlimited sole responsibility of the skipper to ensure that both the crew and the yacht are fully prepared to complete in the race and to face the potentially severe weather conditions which can be encountered on Georgian Bay.
- 1.3 Fundamental Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is her's alone." All participants must consider yacht preparation, crew skills and weather observations and current local forecasts as they relate to Fundamental Rule 4.
- 1.4 It shall be the responsibility of the skipper and crew to ensure that the yacht has been inspected and is in compliance with these requirements prior to the start of the race. Inspections may be completed by the Safety Officer appointed by the Georgian bay Cup Organizing Committee and any of his/her designates.
- 1.5 A yacht may be inspected at any time from 0600 hrs on the day the race starts until 2 hours after her finish time. Any yacht found not to be in compliance with the requirements of Appendix A may have her entry rescinded or be subject to a Protest and possible disqualification.
- 1.6 All required equipment shall: a) function properly; b) be readily accessible; and c) be of a type, size and capacity suitable and adequate for the intended use and for the size of the yacht.
- 1.7 All yachts shall comply with the minimum requirements of governmental authority having jurisdiction in the country of registration.

MODIFICATION OF ISAF OFFSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS CATAGORY 4 MONOHULLS JANUARY 2016 – DECEMBER 2017 (including updates January 2017)

Please obtain a copy of the regulations at: http://www.sailing.org/specialregs

Please read the following supplemental modifications along with the OSR Catagory 4 regulations.

3.04 Stability – Monohulls

3.04.3 Production yachts typically used as racer-cruisers on the Great Lakes competently designed are considered suitable.

3.18 Toilet

3.18.2 A toilet, permanently installed, with a seperate holding tank of 22L (5 Imp. Gal.) minimum capacity. Where a holding tank was not originally installed by the manufacturer for the yacht type a suitable sanitary facility shall be perminently installed.

3.28 Engines, Generators, Fuel

- a) Each fuel tank shall have a shut off valve. A flexible tank is not permitted as a fuel tank.b) The propulsion engine shall have a minimum of 30L (7 Gal. imp.) of fuel in O.E.M. tanks matching the engine at the start of the race stored outside the cabin.
- 3.28.4 a) Yachts with propulsion engines with electric staters shall have a seperate battery, the primary purpose of which is to start the engine.

3.29 Communications Equipment, EPFS (Electronic Position-Fixing System), Radar, AIS

- 3.29.1 The following shall be provided:
 - a) A fixed-mount marine VHF radio transceiver connected to a masthead antenna with appropriate co-axial cable capable of receiving weather bulletins, channel 12 and 16.
 - b) When the marine radio transceiver is VHF:
 - i it shall have a rated output power of 25W
 - ii it shall have a masthead antenna and a co-axial feeder cable with not more than 40% power loss
 - i) An EPFS (Electronic Position-Fixing System) (e.g. GPS)

4.01 Sail Letters & Numbers

4.01.1 Yachts shall display sail numbers as declared in their entry's supporting documentation.

4.11 Navigation Equipment

4.11.1 Charts

Navigational charts including Canadian Hydrographic Service Chart 2283 "Owen Sound to Giants Tomb Island" (not solely electronic), light list and chart plotting equipment shall be provided.

4.15 Emergency Steering

- 4.15.1 Emergency steering shall be provided as follows:
 - a) Except when the principal method of steering is by means of an unbreakable metal tiller, an emergency tiller capable of being fitted to the rudder stock; (Spare wood tiller).

4.23 Pyrotechnic and Light Signals

4.23.1 Pyrotecnic signals shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of the yacht's county of registration/licence.

4.26 Storm & Heavy Weather Sails

4.26.4 The following shall be provided:

f) a heavy-weather jib (or heavy-weather sail in a yacht with no forestay) or a suitable sail on a reefing furler that will reduce sail area for conditions that can be encountered in this race. g) either a storm trysail as defined in OSR 4.26.4(c), or mainsail reefing to reduce the luff by at least 20%.

4.30 Boarding Ladder

A boarding ladder or other means of retrieving crew from the water is required.

5.01 Lifejacket

5.01.1 Each crew member shall have a lifejacket/PFD as follows:

a-g) In accordance with the requirements of the yacht's country of registration. Each crew member shall wear a lifejacket to start the race.