

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Katie Gray – September 2, 2023

Binnacle Trophy – September 3, 2023

Presented by The Bay of Quinte & Prince Edward Yacht Clubs

Entry Deadline – Wednesday August 30, 2200 hrs

1. RULES 1.1. The regattas will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2. The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association (CYA) will apply.

1.3. Canada Shipping Act Small Vessel Regulation #16.03 required safety equipment will apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

2.1. The 54th Katie Gray Race is open to all boats.

2.2. Boats require a PHRF-LO rating to be eligible to win the Katie Gray Trophy or any of the other awards.

2.3. Boats that do not have a valid PHRF-LO Certificate may apply for a temporary rating for the race from BQYC club Handicapper, Melissa Goudeseune (melissa@quintemarinesurvey.com) at no cost.

2.4. 2.4. The Binnacle is open to anyone.

3. ENTRY

3.1. Competitors wishing to enter the races are encouraged to register online by visiting the racing section of bqyc.ca (Direct Link: www.bqyc.ca/2023katie-gray). Those without access to computers or email can register by phoning 613-966-5931 (BQYC).

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

4.1. Notices to competitors for each race will be posted on the official notice board at the club where the respective race begins.

4.2. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900h on the day it will take effect at the starting club.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1. The Registration Desk will be open at BQYC on Friday, September 1 from 1700h to 1900h for Skippers pay for their race fees and tickets.

5.2 There will be a Welcoming Party at BQYC on Friday evening, September 1 at 1900h. Tickets required.

5.3 There will be a Skipper's meeting on Saturday, September 2, at 0900h on the BQYC front deck.

5.4 Scheduled time of the first warning signal for the Katie Gray Trophy race will be 1000h.

5.5 There will be a Prize Giving Dinner at PEYC Saturday evening beginning at 1900h. Tickets required.

5.6 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the Binnacle Trophy Race will be 1100h on Sunday, September 3.

6 THE COURSES

6.1 The starting line for the Katie Gray will be between the committee boat (Wally) anchored west of Q54 (red spar buoy off of Meyer's Pier) and Q54 mark positioned south of Meyer's Pier and will end in Picton Bay between the committee boat and the ORANGE mark.

Q17, Q15, Q13 Foresters Island) and Mo(A) (red and white spar southwest of Thompson Point) must be left to starboard.

6.2 The Katie Gray race will be shortened if winds are light so that all boats will hopefully be at the dock by 1800h. If the race is shortened the new finish line will be between the committee boat and one of the following marks and according to the following approximate and nonbinding guidelines:

- **GREEN Q17**- by Foresters Island (if the leading yacht has not reached Q17 by 1330h)
- **RED Q10** - off Huff Wharf (if the leading yacht has not reached Q10 by 1430h)
- **RED Q8** - entrance to Hay Bay (if the leading yacht has not reached Q8 by 1530h)
- **Mo(A)** - southwest of Thompson Point (if the leading yacht has not reached Mo(A) by 1630h)

6.3 The Binnacle race will begin between the race committee boat and an ORANGEmark in the Picton Bay. This race will finish between red buoy Q54 and the race committee boat. The Binnacle race may be shortened at the discretion of the Race Committee. If it is shortened, the new finish line will be between the Race Committee Boat and one of the following marks.

- **Q13** – Foresters Island
- **Q43** – Northport Shoal
- **Q52** – Minnie Blakely Shoal

7 CHECKING IN

7.1 **Before the warning signal for each race, each boat shall sail close aboard the RC boat, hail her sail number, and be acknowledged by the race committee boat. A boat failing to do so may be scored DNS (Did Not Start).**

7.2 **For the safety of all boats a boat that retires from a race MUST notify the race committee as soon as possible.** The race committee boat will monitor channel 71. If the race committee boat does not respond, please radio the club at which the race will end. If you do not have a radio, please notify the race committee in person or let some other competitors know.

8 THE START

8.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal 5 minutes before the starting signal.

8.2 All divisions will start together.

8.3 As there is no guarantee of an upwind start, spinnakers are not to be flown until the boat clears the start line.

8.4 An attention signal of 5 short blasts may be given about one minute before the initial warning signal for the race.

8.5 The starting line for the Katie Gray race will be between the race committee flag on the race committee boat and Q54 or an orange mark.

8.6 The start line for the Binnacle race will begin between the race committee flag on the race committee boat and the ORANGE mark.

9 RECALLS

9.1 When a general recall is necessary the race committee will display the First Substitute with two sounds. The subsequent warning signal for a new start will be made one minute after the First Substitute is removed (one sound).

9.2 When an individual recall is required the race committee will promptly display flag 'X' with one sound. The race committee will attempt to notify any boat(s) over the line early by VHF radio channel 71 or by hailing verbally.

9.3 The 'I' Flag Rule RRS 30.1 will be in effect. Boats on the course side within one minute of the start line must round one end of the start line before re-starting.

10 TIME LIMIT

10.1 There will be a time limit for the Katie Gray only. Any yacht finishing more than 2 hours (120 minutes) **behind the first boat in each fleet to cross the line will be scored DNF** (Did Not Finish).

11 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

11.1 Protest forms are available at BQYC/PEYC Club Office. Protests shall be delivered within the protest time limit.

11.2 The protest time limit is one hour after the race committee boat has reached the BQYC/PEYC dock at the end of each day's racing.

11.3 Notices with respect to protests will be posted as soon as possible to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

12 PRIZES

12.1 The Katie Gray Trophy will be awarded to the winner on corrected time of the Spinnaker Division in the Katie Gray Race.

12.2 The Bill Burns Trophy will be awarded to the winner on corrected time of the White Sail Division in the Katie Gray Race.

12.3 The Ian Morch Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the four-boat team from any one Yacht club with the best combined results from either Spinnaker or White Sail Divisions.

12.4 All the Katie Gray Race prizes will be awarded at the dinner at PEYC following the race.

12.5 All the Binnacle Race prizes will be awarded at the BQYC annual Cups and Flags Dinner in November.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14 INSURANCE Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000.00. End of Document