### KITSILANO YACHT CLUB RULES



**CLUB HISTORY** 

The Kitsilano Yacht Club was founded in the summer of 1934. The driving force behind its formation was men and women who possessed only meagre financial resources, but a healthy desire to go down to the sea in small boats. KYC was quite a radical departure from the traditional, conservative, exclusive image of a "yacht club". It represented a cooperative venture of people of moderate means who shared a genuine interest in recreational and competitive sailing.

The club's beginnings were modest. Most boats were home-built and all, except small dinghies, were kept moored in English Bay. Popular class boats in the early days of KYC were the Flatties, Comets, Snipes, Miniature Stars, and Stars. The club consisted at first solely of a dinghy storage area situated next door to a boathouse run by Frank Fraser.

In 1936 KYC was incorporated under the Societies Act. Permission for the establishment of the Club on its present site was obtained from the Vancouver Park Board, and in 1937 KYC officially opened its clubhouse. The same building, with its recent modifications, is still in use today.

Today, the club is home to active one-design fleets including the Star, Laser, 505, Fireball, Martin 242, Cal 20, Tasar, Lightning, and Pirate classes. Summers are filled with Thursday night and weekend club racing, as well as a number of events held in conjunction with other clubs in the Bay. Members frequently travel to major championships in other parts of the continent and the world, and KYC has a long legacy of national and international champions.

The club is also now home to a growing recreational and competitive paddling fleet that includes one, two, and six person Outrigger Canoes, various Kayaks and Stand Up Paddleboards.

KYC is an organization not far removed in basic principle from what it was eighty years ago. The club, with its low fee structure and high level of activity, attracts people of all ages interested in cruising and racing of sailboats.

### **OBJECTIVES OF THE CLUB**

- 1. To encourage the growth of the water sports and bring together people interested encourage in sailing, paddling and kayaking; and
- 2. To cooperate with other clubs, associations and societies having similar objectives. and
- 3. That the Club be composed of yacht owners and persons who wish to encourage amateur yachting and boat handling.

## **CLUB RULES**

The club will be open from May to Labour Day during the Manager hours (see following section). The club may also be accessed from 0900 to 2100 hours on weekdays and 0800 to 2200 hours on weekends, however, but not before dawn or after dusk should they fall within these hours. Written permission may be obtained in advance from the Manager should a member require access to the grounds outside these hours. The club may be accessed with the use of a pass key. Keys are available from the Manager.

The clubhouse and grounds are for the enjoyment and convenience of all members. In the interest of safety, members must ensure sufficient supervision is given to children, and that their activities are controlled.

The carpeted lounge area and main meeting room are to be kept dry. Please ensure that wet sailing gear, rainwear, and sails are not stored in these areas. All personal belongings should be kept in lockers. Lockers are available through the Manager.

The kitchen is for use of members and must be left tidy and clean after use. Please notify the Manager or Staff Captain if supplies are lacking. The floor should be swept, vacuumed or mopped after your use.

Dishes must be rinsed of all food debris and placed in the dishwasher. If the dishwasher is full of dirty dishes, please start the cycle by following the directions on the dishwasher. If the dishwasher is found full of clean dishes, please place the clean dishes in the labeled cupboard. Cleaning instructions are posted in the kitchen for reference.

The washrooms and shower areas must be left neat and tidy after use. Do not leave personal belongings, or store items in the washroom. Small lockers are provided for day-use. Please do not leave locks on overnight or from week-to week. There are not enough lockers to accommodate all prospective users.

The clubhouse may be reserved for special functions by groups of club members for activities relating to sailing or KYC related social functions. Application for use can be made through the Manager. Such meetings must not be held when they conflict with club events. When outside functions take place, members may still use the washrooms, grounds and boat launching facilities of the club.

Members and guests are asked to leave their dogs at home. If a dog must be brought on club grounds the following applies:

- \* Dogs must be kept on leash and under control of the handler at all times.
- \* Dog handlers must pick up any and all excrement from their dogs and dispose of such in a sanitary fashion.
- \* Handlers of dogs that are creating noise will be asked to remove their dog from the club property.
- \* Dogs are not permitted in the clubhouse with the exception of certified Guide and Assistance dogs covered by the BC Guide Animal Act.

There shall be no smoking in any of the Club grounds, including the pier.

Alcohol: All club events at which alcohol is served, are licensed events. At no time may outside alcohol be consumed on the Club property without an official Club booking, including a Special Occasion License, and permission from the Manager.

### VOLUNTEERING

This is a member run facility, and all members of the KYC are expected to volunteer at least ten (10) hours of their time on club maintenance and duties. All outstanding volunteer hours will be charged at the current volunteer rate per hour at the next season's renewal.

# **CONDUCT OF MEMBERS**

Rude, boisterous, or profane language and conduct unbecoming to ladies, gentlemen, yachtsmen and staff will not be tolerated among the members or visitors.

A member who infringes a Bylaw or Rule of the Club, or is guilty of conduct unbecoming of a member, is liable to be suspended from all or any of the privileges of the club for such period or periods as the Executive Committee determines, or to be expelled by the Executive Committee.

Club Bylaws can be found on the club's website here. Club ByLaws

# **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Members shall be privileged to introduce guests. These guests must be properly registered in the guest book by members on entering the club premises.

No member shall introduce a guest more than twelve times in one year. In the event that a member would like to bring more than five (5) guests to the club at one time, a booking must be made with the Manager.

### **MANAGER**

The Manager may ask any person on the grounds or using the facilities to provide proof of membership, or to ensure guests are properly registered.

The Manager is also instructed to advise any member when Club rules are not being observed.

The Managers hours are seasonal. If you have any questions you may phone the Manager at 604-730-1646, please leave a voicemail message if the Manager is unavailable when you call.

### COMPOUND AND BOAT STORAGE

Boat owners are reminded to keep the area around their boats clean and free of sharp objects, beverage receptacles, discarded duct tape, etc. Dollies are not to be propped up with Club deck chairs. All boats other than those stored on racks must at all times remain on movable club-approved dollies. All boats stored at the club should be kept in a seamanlike manner. Assigned spaces are not to be sub-let or loaned to others, especially not non-KYC members. Under special circumstances the manager and/or the Executive Committee may grant permission for a boat substitution provided the substituted boat is also owned by a KYC member. The compound is not to be used for extensive repairs and (spray) painting.

Boat trailers are not permitted to be stored at the club. Masts must not be stored on the clubhouse roof or on the gravel areas at the shoreline. Masts can be stored on the rack beside the wharf.

The club is not responsible for lost, damaged, misplaced, or stolen items.

Storage Rules can be found online here. Storage Policy

## CRANE USAGE

The crane is for the use of Club Members who have completed a crane orientation only. Do not attempt to lift more than the rated capacity of the crane (1,270 kg or 2800 lbs). The crane is not to be used as a means of performing maintenance, repairs or bottom cleaning.

All vessels being lifted by the crane must comply with the KYC lifting tackle rules. Rules can be found here. KYC Lifting Sling Requirements

During crane use, the operator must monitor both the grooved take-up drum and the height of the hook and block. Ensure the wire rope is correctly spooling or un-spooling from the drum.

There should not be any over-wraps. Monitor the height of the hook and block to prevent jamming them into the top of the mast.

Operate the crane as smoothly as possible and minimize the number of stops and starts. Move the boat as quickly as possible from its support to the water and vice versa.

Do not leave a suspended load unattended. Do not work under load that is supported solely by the crane.

Trailers must be returned to their spot in the yard after launching a vessel. Under no circumstance shall a trailer be left on the pier. Owners of trailers that are left at the end of the pier will be subject to a \$50 fine.

Report any problems with the crane immediately to the Manager or Rear Commodore.

# CARETAKER TENANT

Adjacent to the club lounge is our tenant's apartment, private patio and garden. Our tenant provides security and facility services only; please respect his or her privacy