

## **GUEST SAILING (2005)**

St. James Town Sailing Club encourages sailing members to take a friend or family member sailing from time to time. However, club members have first priority in the use of club boats. If a member is waiting to sail, you may not take out a guest. Members are not allowed to take guests out more than twice a month. Guests must be signed out in the log the same as regular members. Guests are not eligible to sign up on a race list. And, in the interests of safety, each member must adhere to all of the following seven conditions without exception:

- 1.) The member must have a CYA White Sail III certificate or be able to sail confidently at the White Sail III level and, if the guest has little or no sailing experience, then it is desirable that the member has, in addition to the above, a minimum of two years sailing experience or be CYA certified to Bronze IV.
- 2.) The member is strongly advised to always check the local meteorological office for marine wind strength and water temperature and shall use this information, along with his/her sailing experience, to judge if conditions are safe to leave the dock.
- 3.) The member must determine that the guest is able to swim and tread water prior to sailing and shall further ensure everyone is properly attired with: certified PFD's, a Fox 40 whistle and appropriate protective clothing, such as wetsuits, to suit seasonal conditions in accordance with Transport Canada Guidelines.
- 4.) The member must agree to accept full responsibility for the proper rigging of the boat and the safety of the guest and, if the guest is a child, shall further exercise added carefulness and supervision to secure the child's safety.
- 5.) The recommended minimum guest age limit is eight years of age to sail in an Albacore and sixteen years of age to sail on a Hobie-Cat. (Guests are not allowed on Lasers.) It shall be the member's responsibility to verify proof of age.
- 6.) The onus is on the member to instruct the guest while in the boat, such that the boat is sailed safely.
- 7.) Sailing with guests may be restricted to certain days and times, which shall be determined from time to time by the club executive.