

NOTICE OF RACE
2012 Trimaran Nationals
and
WETA Southeast Championship

April 26 – 29, 2012

Organized and hosted by the Fort Walton Yacht Club
Fort Walton Beach, Florida

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all PHRF rated Multihull and WETA Class boats.
- 2.2 PHRF Certification is required for all entries other than established Corsair Classes or WETA Class.
- 2.3 A minimum of five (5) boats is required for a One-Design Fleet.
- 2.4 Expected entries include Corsair, Farrier, Dragonfly, Seacart, WETA, Stiletto, and Reynolds 33.
- 2.5 Eligible boats may enter by remitting the entry form together with the required fees.
- 2.6 The mail-in entry form plus an online registration link is available at www.fwyc.org.
- 2.7 Make checks payable to **Fort Walton Yacht Club** and deliver to the FWYC front office or mail to:
2012 Trimarans
c/o Fleet Captain
180 Ferry Road N.E.
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548

3. FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$135.00 (\$125.00 for current US Sailing Members).
- 3.2 The entry deadline is April 14, 2012. After that date, a late fee of \$75.00 will be assessed.
- 3.3 Entries will not be accepted after 1900 on April 26, 2012.
- 3.4 The entry fee includes one crewmember. A Hospitality Fee of \$60.00 is required for each additional crewmember and/or guest. Fees include regatta memorabilia and admittance to all parties and functions.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Seven (7) races will be attempted for each fleet (except Rendezvous/Cruisers).

4.2 Events:

Thursday, April 26	1500 – 1900	Final Registration and Check in.
	1900	Welcome Party
Friday, April 27	0900	Skippers meeting
	1055	First warning, 3 races will be attempted
	1900	Social at Don Wigston's house
Saturday, April 28	0955	First Warning for race to Lincoln Park
	TBD	Lunch at Lincoln Park
	TBD	First warning for return race from Lincoln Park
	1900	Panel Discussion with guest presenters and dinner
Sunday, April 29	0955	First warning, 2 races will be attempted
		No race will be started after 1400
	1630	Awards and Hors d'Oeuvres

5. MEASUREMENTS

- 5.1 Sail measurements and boat weighing will not be conducted.
- 5.2 Owners seeking certification must apply for a rating by April 19, 2012. Contact Wayne Jablonowski at wjlaw@bellsouth.net

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at check-in.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 The racing area will be located east of FWYC on Choctawhatchee Bay.
- 7.2 Courses will be available at the Skippers meeting.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM

For all classes, Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

9. SCORING

- 9.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 9.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 9.3 No race scores will be excluded. This changes rule A2.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except for emergencies or retirement notification, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio or telephone communications not available to all boats while racing.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1 The number of awards will be based on the registered entries as of April 14, 2012.
- 11.2 Prizes will be awarded to the top boat in each fleet. Additional awards will be presented based on the number of boats in each fleet.
- 11.3 Awards will be presented to the top three (3) boats based on overall PHRF scoring for all races.
- 11.4 The *Windcraft Amateur Team Award* and a *Distance Traveled Award* will be presented.
- 11.5 The *Corsair F-27 Sailboat Hall of Fame Perpetual Trophy* will be awarded to the top F-27 crew.
- 11.6 First through Third place prizes will be awarded for the WETA Southeast Championship.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Fort Walton Yacht Club will not accept any responsibility for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 Directions and club amenity information can be found online at www.fwyc.org.
- 13.2 Contacts:

FWYC Front Office	office@fwyc.org	850-243-7102
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