

NOTICE OF RACE

US NATIONAL TEAM RACE CHAMPIONSHIP US MIDWINTER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

March 16 – 19, 2011
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), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, the International Sunfish Class rules, and the sailing instructions.

2. PAN AMERICAN GAMES QUALIFICATION

This event will qualify the top three not previously qualified nations to compete in the 2011 Pan American Games at Guadalajara, Mexico, in the Sunfish Class event, subject to the requirements of the Qualification System as defined by the Pan American Sailing Federation (PASAF).

3. US SINGLEHANDED CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATION:

This event will qualify the top finishing male and female for the 2011 US Sailing Singlehanded Championship subject to the eligibility requirements defined in the Singlehanded Championship NOR.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 This event is open to all members of the International Sunfish Class Association (ISCA).

4.2 Proof of ISCA membership is required.

4.3 Eligible competitors may enter by completing the attached entry form (also available from the FWYC website at www.fwyc.org) and remitting it together with the required fees.

Checks should be made payable to **Fort Walton Yacht Club** and mailed to:

MIDTEAM
c/o Lou Richard
180 Ferry Road N.E.
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548

5. FEES

The entry fee will be \$100.00 if postmarked on or before February 25, 2011. Entries postmarked after February 25th and on-site registration will be \$120.00. The fee includes two dinners, one shirt, after race beer/sodas, and awards. Additional dinners may be purchased for \$15.00

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 A minimum of one (1) round robin is scheduled for team races on March 16, 2011.

6.2 Ten (10) fleet races are scheduled on March 17, 18, and 19, 2011.

6.3 Events:

Wednesday, March 16

0900 to 1030	Team Racing Registration
1045	Skippers Meeting
1200	Team Racing First warning
1830	Dinner

Thursday, March 17

0830 to 1000	Fleet Racing Registration
1015	Skippers Meeting
1115	Fleet Racing First warning

Friday, March 18

1000	Fleet Racing First warning
1830	Dinner

Saturday, March 19

1000	Fleet Racing First warning (No races begin after 1300)
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7. MEASUREMENTS

- 7.1 The Class measurer or his representative may be on site to do measurements.
- 7.2 Sails and other equipment may be measured prior to racing, and spot-checked at any time during the regatta either on or off the water.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available during registration and check in.

9. VENUE

Regatta headquarters will be the Fort Walton Yacht Club, 180 Ferry Road NE, Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32548.

10. RACING AREA AND COURSES

- 10.1 The racing area will be located on the waters of the Choctawhatchee Bay.
- 10.2 The team race course will be a digital N.
- 10.3 Fleet race courses will be Windward/Leeward or Triangular.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2 One (1) fleet race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 11.3 Rule A2 is changed as follows: when fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores; when from five (5) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score; and when nine (9) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place in team racing.
- 13.2 Fleet racing prizes will be given for first through fifth places, top female, top junior (age 18 or less) and top master (age 40 or over). Other specialty awards may be presented.
- 13.3 The awards presentation will take place as soon as possible after the last race of the regatta.

14. CHARTERS

There are no Laser Performance dealers in the area. Prospective participants shall make their own arrangements in order to find charter boats. Please contact Gulf Coast Representative Brent Evans (brentathome@cox.net) for suggestions.

15. STORAGE

Boats may be parked free of charge at FWYC from March 12 to March 21, 2011.

16. 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.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

International Sunfish Class Association www.sunfishclass.org
Fort Walton Yacht Club www.fwyc.org

18. CONTACTS

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REGISTRATION FORM

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Country: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Sail # _____ Sail Color _____ Hull Color _____ Deck Color _____

Sailing Club: _____ USSCA#: _____ USSA # _____ Fleet #: _____

Check one: Fleet Racing Team Racing Both Fleet and Team Racing

Circle Shirt Size (1 included with registration): Small Med Large X XX

Entry Fee: Postmarked on/before February 25, 2011 \$100.00 _____

After February 25, 2011 \$120.00 _____

Extra Meals: Wednesday # of extra meals _____ \$15.00 each _____

Friday # of extra meals _____ \$15.00 each _____

Extra Shirts: Enter Number ___ Small ___ Med ___ Large ___ X ___ XX
of extra shirts _____ \$20.00 each _____

TOTAL: _____

I agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other rules that govern this event. In consideration for its sponsorship of this event, I hereby release the event organizer, its officers, employees, agents and members from any and all claims for damages, death, personal injuries or property damage in any manner related to this event or the operation of the event organizer. I hereby acknowledge that it is always the individual responsibility of each skipper to determine whether to start or to continue racing.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

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NOTE: Fees include Florida taxes.