



Gulfport Yacht Club
NOTICE OF RACE
2026 Multihull Regatta
March 13-15, 2026
Gulfport, Florida
revision 1



1.0 Organizing Authority

- 1.1 The organizing authority is the Gulfport Yacht Club.
- 1.2 For the Weta Class, this is the Dick Hitchcock Memorial Regatta

2.0 Rules

This regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2025 – 2028).

3.0 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. This event is open to one-design multi-hull dinghies, sailed either in a single or double-handed division.
- 3.2 Two boats constitute a division; 5 boats constitute a designated class.
- 3.3 Additional classes may be included by request.
- 3.4 Multi-hull dinghies without a designated class will be placed in the open PHRF class.
- 3.5 This event is limited to a total of 30 boats. Registration will be closed when that limit is reached. A waiting list will be created thereafter.
- 3.6 Sailors need to be members in good standing within their respective class.

4.0 Registration and Fees

- 4.1 Registration is through Regatta Network (Regattanetwork.com)
- 4.2 Registration fees must be paid through Regatta Network. There will be no hand-to-hand transactions at this event.
- 4.3 Registration fee is \$120 per single-handed boat and \$150 per double-handed.
- 4.4 Additional Saturday dinners may be purchased for \$20 each.
- 4.5 Registrations received after March 4 will be charged a \$25 late fee.
- 4.6 Online registration will close on March 6.
- 4.7 Regatta Fee includes Friday night snacks, beverages, and one dinner (two dinners for double-handed entries).
- 4.8 There will be no on-site registration.

5.0 Schedule of Events

<u>Friday, March 13</u>	0900 - Boatyard opens 1700-1900 – Sailor check-in
<u>Saturday, March 14</u>	0930 Competitors Meeting 1100 Warning signal for all divisions, 4 races to be attempted Refreshments and a meal following racing
<u>Sunday, March 15</u>	0930 Competitors Meeting 1100 Warning Signal for all divisions, 3 races to be attempted 1400 No warning signal after this time Awards to be presented as soon as possible after racing Refreshments and snacks available.

6.0 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be posted on Regatta Network

7.0 Venue

- 7.1 Race headquarters will be in the Gulfport Yacht Club, 4638 Del Rio Way S., Gulfport, FL 33711
- 7.2 Racing will be in the Boca Ciega Bay
- 7.3 Official Notice Board on GYC back porch

8.0 Scoring

- 8.1 One race constitutes a regatta
- 8.2 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.1.

9.0 Awards

- 9.1 Awards will be presented depending on the number of registrants in each division and designated classes.
- 9.2 The Dick Hitchcock Memorial Regatta perpetual trophy will be awarded to the first-place finisher in the WETA Single Handed Class.

10.0 **Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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 event.

11.0 **Insurance**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$100,000 per incident or the equivalent. Proof of insurance in the form of a valid insurance declaration will be required at check-in. Valid insurance declaration may be submitted via email prior to check-in to the Event Coordinator, gycmultihullregatta@gmail.com

12.0 **Launching and Storage**

All competing boats will be stored in the designated areas in the Gulfport Marina immediately to the South and East of the Lions Club. All trailers will be stored in the Gulfport Marina parking lot. Boats must launch from GYC beach behind the Lions Club. Boats and trailers must be removed following racing on Sunday, March 15.

13.0 **Parking**

Parking is available for vehicles outside the main entrance of GYC or the Gulfport Marina parking lot. Vehicles parked blocking GYC members' boats, or interfering with access to the beach will be removed. Please check in with the volunteer parking attendants. A diagram of the parking area will be available.

14.0 **Accommodations**

14.1 RV camping must be prearranged with the club management. There are no electricity, water, or sewer hookups. Tent camping is not allowed. To pre-arrange, contact gycmultihullregatta@gmail.com for approval.

14.2 Hotel Accommodations: Check accommodations through Visit St. Pete Clearwater visitstpeteclearwater.com or a list will be provided upon request.

15.0 **Additional information**

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