NOTICE OF RACE

WetaFest

April 7-10, 2016

Hosted by Fort Walton Yacht Club Fort Walton Beach, Florida

The organizing authority will be the US Weta Class Association.

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the *Weta Class North American* (WCNA) rules.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all Weta Class Trimarans.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by remitting the entry form together with the required fee.
- 3.3 There will be two classes of racing: single-handed and double-handed. Three valid entries will constitute a class.
- 2.3 The online registration link is available at http://www.nextsailor.com/regatta/WetaFest 2016
- 2.4 Make checks payable to **Fort Walton Yacht Club** and deliver to the FWYC front office or mail to:

WetaFest

c/o Fleet Captain

180 Ferry Road N.E.

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548

4. FEES

- 4.1 Entry fees are as follows: Single-handed class \$150.00, Double-handed class \$200.00.
- 4.2 Fee includes one WetaFest Shirt, water on the race course, first beers after racing each day.
- 4.3 Tent camping is \$15/day; campers \$40/day and extra WetaFest Shirts are \$20 each while they last.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 *Eleven (11)* races will be attempted.
- 5.2 Schedule events:

Thursday, April 9 0900 Advance Sailing Clinic Includes Lunch

1700 Panel Discussion Castaway Room

1800 Final Registration & Skippers Meeting Castaway Room

~~~~Burgers, Wing & Things available 1700 to 2000~~~~

Friday April 10 1100 Skippers Meeting Back Porch

1155 First Warning W/L

1700 Panel Discussion Back Porch

~~~~Early Reservations Available Club Dining Room~~~~

Saturday April 11 1100 Skippers Meeting Back Porch

1155 First Warning W/L

1700 Panel Discussion Back Porch

"Cook Your Own"
Steak, baked potato, salad
Chicken Breast, baked potato, salad
Hamburger, baked potato (or chips), salad

Sunday April 12 1100 Skippers Meeting Back Porch

1155 Distance Race

1500 Awards Ceremony Club Lounge

~~~Club Brunch Served from 0900 to 1300~~~~

#### 6. MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1 Sail measurements and boat weighing will <u>not</u> be conducted at FWYC.
- 6.2 Measurements required by class rules shall be the responsibility of the Weta Class Association.
- 6.3 T-handles may be used on shrouds in this regatta.

#### 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 The sailing instructions will be available at check-in.

#### 8. VENUE

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

#### 9. THE COURSES

9.1 The racing area will be east of FWYC on the waters of the Choctawhatchee Bay using drop marks.

#### 10. PENALTY AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT

10.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

#### 11. SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

#### 12. PRIZES

- 12.1 Championship prizes will be awarded to the top three boats in each fleet and first overall.
- 12.2 Additional awards will be based on the number of registered entries as of March 25, 2016.

#### 13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

13.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The US Weta Class Association and 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.

#### 14. CHARTERS

14.1 Please contact Dick Hitchcock by email at <u>info@wetaflorida.com</u> or phone (941) 928-9486.

#### 15. FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1 Directions and club amenity information can be found online or by contacting the club office.

### 15.2 Contacts:

| FWYC Front Office              | office@fwyc.org          | 850-243-7102 |
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| Weta Class - Cliff Farrah      | cfarrah@yachtmercury.com | 850-543-1774 |
| Regatta Chair - John D. Farris | Patssun@vahoo.com        | 850-305-9653 |