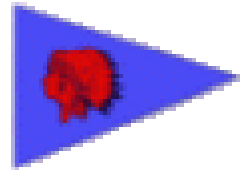




**GYA Meigs Regatta**  
**June 28-29, 2025**  
**Fort Walton Beach, FL**



## **NOTICE OF RACE**

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Organizing Authority: **Fort Walton Yacht Club**  
Hosted by: **Fort Walton Yacht Club**

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 This event is sailed under the management of the Fort Walton Yacht Club Race Committee.
- 1.2 This event is governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the [GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events](#).
- 1.3 The *US Sailing Prescriptions* in the Preamble to Part 5, Section B, and RRS 63.1(b) are deleted.
- 1.4 Appendix V I. (PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT) and Appendix T (ARBITRATION) of the RRS will apply.
- 1.5 Protests alleging a breach of a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 shall not be accepted if they are from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident. This changes RRS 60.4(a)(2).

### **2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available after 8:30 on June 28 at Registration.

### **3. COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The official notice board is located at the Window on the back porch.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on the VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SI.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### **4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 All yacht clubs, which are current General Members of the GYA, are eligible to participate in Capdevielle Viper 640s.
- 4.3 All other classes are open to all sailors.
- 4.4 Registration will be done online at <https://nextsailor.com/regatta/Meigs2025>. The deadline is 10:00 a.m. on June 28.

## 5. FEES

- 5.1 GYA Capdevielle Viper 640's-- No fee.
- 5.2 The following Open One-Design classes are invited to participate: Viper 640 (\$50), Melges 15 (\$50), Weta (\$50), and Thistle (\$55).

## 6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 See GYA Regulation 17 for Capdevielle team captain, skipper, and crew requirements. GYA Regulation 17.7 does not apply to this event.

## 7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

## 8. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 8.1 See GYA Regulation 14.1 for Capdevielle Race Requirements.
- 8.2 The maximum number of races to be attempted on the first day of racing is 4.
- 8.3 See the table for the scheduled warning signal time for each day's first race.
- 8.4 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 14:30.

### FRIDAY, June 27

16:00-18:00     ***“Skippers, Sips & Shenanigans”*** *Check-in & Chill, on the Porch*

### SATURDAY, June 28

8:30-10:00     Late registration and check-in on the Porch  
10:30           Competitors Meeting on the Porch  
12:30           Warning Signal all Classes (back-to-back races to follow)

### SUNDAY, June 29

11:30           Warning Signal all Classes (back-to-back races to follow)  
14:30           No races start after this time  
ASAP           After Racing - Trophy Presentation on the Porch

## 9. VENUE

The racing area will be in Choctawhatchee Bay.

## 10. SCORING

- 10.1 Each class shall be scored using the low point system of Appendix A, except that no races shall be excluded.
- 10.2 See GYA Regulation 14 for Capdevielle Race Requirements.
- 10.3 One Design classes may sail more races at the discretion of the PRO on their course.
- 10.4 Three (3) boats will constitute a class in any one design fleet.
- 10.5 The Open Viper 640 class will start with the Capdevielle Class.

## **11. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

As races will be sailed back-to-back, clubs are encouraged to provide support boats for any required on-the-water crew changes.

## **12. RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

## **13. SAFETY**

All boats shall comply with United States Coast Guard and Florida safety equipment regulations. Each skipper is responsible for determining whether to start a race, continue racing, or wear a life jacket. This does not supersede any class rules or regulations that may require wearing life jackets while on the water.

## **13. TROPHIES**

Trophies for the Capdevielle Viper 640s will be presented per GYA Regulation 16. Trophies for the Open Viper 640 fleet and one-design fleets will be awarded to the first-place finishers, with additional trophies potentially awarded based on the number of boats competing in each class. The Host Club may also present additional trophies at its discretion.

## **14. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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