

Notice of Race

60/40 'Round the Island - 2024

September 20-22, 2023

Fort Walton Yacht Club

Fort Walton Beach, Florida

1. Rules

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

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 This regatta is open to all multihull sailboats 14 feet or more in length with a mast height able to clear bridges 48 feet above the water.

2.2 Eligible boats may enter by submitting the entry form and remitting the required fees.

2.2.1 The entry form and online registration can be found at 'Round the Island, Fort Walton Yacht Club

<http://www.nextsailor.com/app/page/regatta/744>

3. Fees

3.1 The Entry Fee is \$125 per boat. \$150 per boat after September 1. Entry includes all socials and two (2) T-shirts for the skipper plus one.

3.2 A Social Fee of \$75 is required for each additional sailor and guest. This fee includes a Friday Welcome Social at the Fort Walton Yacht Club Gazebo, Saturday morning Coffee on the FWYC patio, a gourmet dinner at the finish Saturday evening, a Finish Line Party with food and refreshments Sunday at the FWYC Gazebo, and one (1) T-Shirt.

4. Schedule of Events

Friday, September 20	5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Check-in, Late Registration FWYC gazebo
	6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Skippers Meeting & Welcome Social FWYC
Saturday, September 21	5:30 AM	Coffee on the FWYC Gazebo
	6:25 AM	First Warning, Bermuda Start to Follow
	6:30 AM	First Start
	6:00 PM	Dinner prepared by Café Nola above Key Sailing at the Finish Line
Sunday, September 22	7:25 AM	First Warning, Bermuda Start to Follow at Key Sailing
	7:30 AM	First Start
	Afternoon	Finish Line Party, FWYC Gazebo, Trophies

5. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available at Check-in.

6. Venue

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

7. The Courses

7.1 The racing area will be on Choctawhatchee Bay, the Gulf of Mexico, Pensacola Bay, and Santa Rosa Sound.

7.2 The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

8. Scoring

8.1 The Portsmouth rating system, with an added distance coefficient, will calculate your staggered starting time so that your boat-for-boat finish position will be your score.

8.2 Overall scores will be based on both Saturday and Sunday finishing positions.

9. Prizes

9.1 Awards will be presented on Sunday, September 24, 2023.

9.2 The number of awards will be based on the registered entries as of September 1, 2023.

10. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 3, Decision to Race. The Fort Walton Yacht Club will not accept any responsibility for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with the 'Round the Island Race.

11. Further Information

11.1 **FWYC Web Site** www.fwyc.org

FWYC Fleet Captain FleetCaptain@FWYC.org

11.2 **Convenient Hotels** There are plenty of others, but most are expensive due to a busy year.

Friday Night: Fort Walton Beach Saturday Night: Across the Street from the Finish Line

La Quinta Inn and Suites by Wyndham Surf and Sand Hotel

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548 Pensacola Beach, FL 32561

850-244-1500 850-934-5400

11.2 **FWYC members** housing for out-of-town competitors: Limited homes and aboard Boats:

FWYC Fleet Captain FleetCaptain@FWYC.org

11.3 Your Cat Trax and dry clothes bags: Transportation will be provided both Saturday and Sunday to the finish lines.