



**0 Organizing Authority**  
The Organizing Authorities are the various Class Associations. Davis Island Yacht Club is hosting the event. Event will be the North American Midwinter Championship for Fireballs, and will serve as the Midwinter Championship Regatta for the remaining classes (or a Tune-Up, as class calendars dictate).

**1 Rules**  
Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

**2 Eligibility and Entry**  
Event is open to current members of the invited Class Associations:

International Fireball	Flying Scot	Interlake
Front Runner	Classic Moth	Windmill
International 110		

Competitors must complete an entry form, pay entry fees as scheduled and sign a liability release to enter. All fees are "tax included" (see entry form). International Fireballs must have a current and valid measurement certificate.

**3 Fees**  
Entry fee (USD) (boat skipper):

Class	U S Sailing or CYA	Non-member
Fireball, Front Runner, 110, Interlake, Windmill	\$75	\$80
Flying Scot	60	65
Moth	40	45

Entries on-site or postmarked after February 11. add \$20.

**4 Schedule of Events**

Class	Race days	March...
Fireball, Front Runner, 110, Interlake, Windmill	3	2, 3, 4
Flying Scot, Moth	2	3, 4

**Thursday, March 1**

*Informal Team Racing, Tuning, Clinic*

**Friday, March 2**

**3-day classes**

0800-1000 Regatta continental breakfast  
0830-0930 Registration / check-in  
1000-1015 Competitor's meeting  
1030 Harbor start  
1130 First Warning signal  
Three (3) races scheduled, unless conditions favor more.  
After racing Beverages and storytelling on the Porch  
1800-2100 Club (full dinner) food service available

**Saturday, March 3**

0700-0930 Regatta continental breakfast  
0700 Club (full breakfast) food service available  
0800 Harbor start **3-day classes**  
0900 First Warning signal **3-day classes**  
0830-0915 Registration / check-in **2-day classes**  
0930-0945 Competitor's meeting **2-day classes**  
1000 Harbor Start **2-day classes**  
1100 First Warning signal **2-day classes**  
Four (4) races scheduled, unless conditions favor more.  
After racing Beverages and storytelling on the Porch  
Sail trim presentation  
1800 Regatta dinner "party"

**Sunday, March 4**

**All classes**

0700-0800 Regatta continental breakfast  
0700 Club (full breakfast) food service available  
0800 Harbor Start  
0900 First Warning signal  
Two (2) races scheduled, no warning after 1300.  
After racing Club (abbreviated lunch menu) food service available until 1500. Beverages and storytelling on the Porch.

Awards as soon as practicable after racing.



5 **Sailing Instructions, Venue, Courses**  
 Sailing instructions will be available at registration / check-in.  
 Racing will be in Hillsborough Bay, south of DIYC, north of  
 "Long Shoal" (general vicinity: 27° 53' N by 82° 27' W – see  
 NOAA Chart 11416). Courses will be drop-mark, with windward /  
 leeward or triangle configurations.

6 **Scoring System**  
 RRS Appendix A Low Point System. One (1) race makes a  
 regatta. If less than five (5) races sailed, no discard. This  
 modifies A2.

7 **Prizes**  
 Prizes for top finishers in each class:  
 Registered boats: 3 5 7 10 15+  
 Places: 1 2 3 4 5  
 Prizes on-hand at award time will be based on the number of  
 boat registrations received by February 16<sup>th</sup>. Winners of trophies  
 not on hand because of additional entries will be back-ordered  
 and shipped.

8 **Further Information**  
 Mail entry:  
 Davis Island Yacht Club  
 Attn: Fireballs & Friends Regatta Entry  
 1315 Severn Ave., Tampa, FL 33606 USA  
 (813) 251-1158 [diyc@diyc.org](mailto:diyc@diyc.org)

**Contacts:**

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**SUPPLEMENTAL**

**A Social**

- Scott Savage, North Sails circuit rep, past Interlake National and Midwinter Champion skipper, will offer a tuning and sail trim clinic to interested sailors, with focus on the Interlake class, Thursday March 1 at 1400. Scott will be available to spend time on the water with those who would like some personal attention! Questions? Please contact Scott at [savage.6@osu.edu](mailto:savage.6@osu.edu).
- Greg Fisher, North Sails Chesapeake rep, past Flying Scot, Lightning, Thistle, J/22, and Interlake National Champion crew, will be on hand to help anyone with any sail trim or tuning questions, Saturday afternoon March 3 after racing. Greg will be happy to check out your boat and tuning. Time and weather permitting, Greg plans a demonstration "Ideal Sail Trim" at 1700. Questions? Please contact Greg at [greg@od.northsails.com](mailto:greg@od.northsails.com).
- Regatta entry includes continental breakfast for skipper and crew all racing days. Keg beer and camaraderie will be available after racing Friday and Saturday.
- Box lunches (sandwich, chips, candy bar) for Saturday will be available for \$6 US each (boat service will be provided on the water). Purchase these at registration. Limited special requirement diet accommodation available with advance request.
- Regatta dinner and party at the Club Saturday evening for \$15 US per person. Please purchase these at registration. Availability "at the door" may be limited.
- Normal dinner service at the Club will be available Friday evening.
- Normal full breakfast service at the Club will be available early on Saturday and Sunday mornings.
- DIYC cannot accept "plastic" for transaction payments – no credit cards or debit cards, sorry. ATMs are available nearby (2-3 miles), on the Island and nearby off-Island. Entry and purchases at time of entry must be cash (USD) or check. Other purchases by cash (USD) only, please.

**B Protests**

The Regatta Chair was recently inspired by an announcement in Sailing Scuttlebutt. This event plans to attempt to emulate a strategy embodied by the 2007 BVI Spring Regatta and Sailing Festival, to bring sailors back into the protest room, on the judge's side of the table. Skippers will be asked at registration if there is someone on board who is familiar enough with the Rules to serve on a Protest Committee. No competitor will sit on a committee that hears a protest that would affect results of the class in which he/she sails and, if necessary, competitors will be given the opportunity to re-open a hearing with a "traditionally-constituted" Protest Committee. This will modify Rule 66.

**C Camping and Pets**

A limited amount of camping is available on the club grounds. Competitors and entourage are welcome to arrive early. Contact the Club Manager or Regatta Chair for additional information. **Please leave your pets at home.** They are not permitted on the Club grounds unless under leash control and it is inappropriate to tie them up while you go sailing.

**D Parking**

The area surrounding the clubhouse is reserved for club members. All regatta parking is on the entrance area east of the warning signs at the Marine Railway. Note: This is a major issue/ DIYC has extremely limited parking around the House. Any competitor that fails to honor this notice may be disqualified by the Regatta Chairman. Such disqualification will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Any competitor so disqualified may request a hearing.

**E Environmental Concerns**

Any competitor registered in any DIYC-sponsored event that throws any refuse overboard, including but not limited to aluminum cans, plastic items, bottles, etc., may be disqualified by the Regatta Chairman. Such disqualification will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Any competitor so disqualified may request a hearing.

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