

**The Lake Eustis Sailing Club Wayfarer Fleet cordially invites you to the  
26th Annual Wayfarer Midwinter's "Groundhog" Regatta**

**Jan 30th to February 1st, 2026  
Lake Eustis Sailing Club  
1310 CR-452 Eustis, Florida 32726**

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## **Notice of Race**

**ORGANIZING AUTHORITY and Host organization:** The Lake Eustis Sailing Club

**ENTRIES AND ELIGIBILITY:**

The Midwinter Regatta is open to all Wayfarer and CL16 Class sailboats.

There will be two separate classes:

Spinnaker: both skipper and crew required, and

Main and Jib (no Spinnaker)-may be sailed crewless.

**RULES:** The races will be governed by the rules as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing, the Wayfarer Class Rules, the Sailing Instructions, and the NOR. These Sl's will take precedent in a case of conflict.

**SCHEDULE:** All times below are tentative. Please check the Official Notice Board at the southwest corner of the LESC Clubhouse for updates.

<b>Jan.28</b>	Close of Registration (online only)	17:00
<b>Jan.29</b>	Practice Racing	14:00
<b>Friday Jan.30</b>	Breakfast Skippers meeting Warning signal for first race Lunch on the water Snacks after racing Dinner on your own.	8:30 – 10:00 10:00 11:30
<b>Saturday Jan.31</b>	Breakfast Warning signal for first race of day (check notice board for time changes) Lunch, on the water Dinner at the club	8:00 – 9:00 10:00 TBD TBD
<b>Sunday Feb.1</b>	Breakfast Warning signal for first race of day No warning signal after 13:30 Hot Lunch and presentation of Trophies	8:00 – 9:00 10:00  After racing

**REGISTRATION AND FEES:** NO ONSITE REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED.

All Registrations must be done before Jan 29<sup>th</sup>,2026 by following this link on" CLUBSPOT"

<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/yqNkfbX83a>

The link is also available on the LESC website [www.lescfl.org](http://www.lescfl.org)

Registration is \$210 - Early Bird Discount \$15 -if you register before Jan.22nd 2026.

Registration includes (for skipper and crew) Friday Brunch, breakfast (Sat & Sun), Fri and Sat lunch & Sun "hot lunch" and Sat evening dinner.

Extra meals can be ordered before the end of the registration period. Please order via the Clubspot link  
Breakfast \$9, "Sack Lunch, sandwiches & extras" Sun "hot" lunch \$10, Dinner (Saturday) \$20

Camping is available, and requests must be made in advance. Via [patkuntz16@yahoo.com](mailto:patkuntz16@yahoo.com)

Methods for notification of changes to the sailing instructions will be made in the sailing instructions.

#### **CONTACTS:**

**Inquiries about registration, camping sites:**

**Regatta co-chairs**

**David Hepting** [hepting.david@gmail.com](mailto:hepting.david@gmail.com)

**Pat Kuntz** [patkuntz16@yahoo.com](mailto:patkuntz16@yahoo.com) Phone: 315-415-5828

**Note: Mailing address: Midwinters, C/O Patricia Kuntz, 605 East 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Mount Dora, Fl. 32757**

#### **SCORING:**

The low point scoring system, as outlined in App. A of the RRS will apply with one throw-out if four or more races are sailed. One or more completed races will constitute a regatta.

#### **TROPHIES:**

Keeper prizes will be awarded for the top three finishers in each class.

#### **LODGING:**

Camping is allowed on the grounds of the club (on the north side of the building), with showers and toilets available in the clubhouse.

**Please note that camping and RVs are permitted on the Club's grounds from the day before the regatta to the day after the end of the regatta.**

#### **HOTELS/MOTELS**

Preferred Properties (mention "Lake Eustis sailing Club" when booking):

Best Western Tavares (5 miles), 800-780-7234 352-253-2378

Hampton Inn Mount Dora (7 miles), 800-426-7866 352-383-4267

Also, <http://lakeeustissailingclub.org/About/LocalAccommodations.aspx>

#### **REGATTA SPONSORS:**

**The Lake County Department of Sports and Marketing**

#### **LOCAL ATTRACTIONS/INFORMATION**

Lake County: [www.lakecountyfl.gov](http://www.lakecountyfl.gov)- then go to visitors.

Eustis: [www.eustischamber.org](http://www.eustischamber.org)

Mount Dora: [www.mountdora.com](http://www.mountdora.com)

**VHF Radios will be the primary means** used by the race committee to communicate with competitors eg Delays, recalls etc. etc. Channel nos. will be advised at the club.

