



**NO MONTHLY MEETING FOR DECEMBER
PARTY INSTEAD!**
Social Hour 6:00 - 7:00 PM & Dinner @ 7:00 PM
LOCATION: The Southern Public House, 224 E. College Ave, Tallahassee, FL 32301
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WHAT IS IN THIS MONTH'S NEWSLETTER?

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIPS
YEAR END HOLIDAY PARTY THIS MONDAY DECEMBER 19!!!!
2017 GULF WINDS TRIATHLETES BOARD ELECTION RESULTS ARE IN
2016 GRAND PRIX IS COMPLETE!!!
2017 GRAND PRIX SCHEDULE IS SET!!!
THIS MONTH'S TRIATHLETE SPOTLIGHT: YOU!

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~GET YOUR PARTY PANTS ON~

IT'S THE YEAR END HOLIDAY PARTY!!!! (sorry, no face painting...)



2017 Gulf Winds Triathletes Board Election Results!

The results are in and voter turnout was YUGE! Thank you for voting and thank you to everyone who ran for office! Your 2017 Gulf Winds Triathletes Board will be:

Vice President: Mike Weyant

Secretary: Karen Jeter

Treasurer: Jon Nash

Directors at Large:
James Harrison
Michelle Butler
Robby Turner
Bill Garvin
Kathy McDaris



2016 GRAND PRIX COMPLETE

The Grand Prix has now been concluded. Please stay tuned for the announcement of winners, to be recognized at our meeting in January. Anyone who wants to gain final volunteerism points should attempt to do so by Thanksgiving. We aim to make final points adjustments after that.

To see the final results, you can go to <https://gulfwindstri.com/grand-prix-results/>

Please take time to review them as soon as possible and if you have any questions, contact us at info@gulfwindstri.com.

Thank you to everyone who participated! We look forward to another big year in 2017.

2017 GRAND PRIX IS SET!

First off, a big thank you to the Grand Prix Committee which included Jeff Bowman, Shanin Frost, Eric Trombley, Jen Barton, Charles Dickerson, Matt Rowan, Kenny Walker and Nico Weinders! They put in time and effort to create a great schedule for our upcoming 2017 Grand Prix. The races are as follows:

2017 Grand Prix Races (targeted races in bold)

- 1. Red Hills Triathlon, March 25, 2017 – Sprint**
- HITS, Ocala, April 2, 2017 – Members Choice (Sprint or Olympic) (new to GP)
- Beach Blast I, Mexico Beach, April 22, 2017 – Members Choice (Sprint or Olympic)
- Gulf Coast, May 13, 2017 – Member's Choice (Sprint or 70.3)
- 5. Jax Tri #1, Fernandina Beach, June 2017 - Olympic**
- Freedom Springs Tri, July 4, 2017 – Sprint
- Chattahoochee Challenge, Columbus, GA, July 15, 2017 – Sprint
- Georgia Veterans Tri, Cordele, GA, early August 2017 - Sprint
- Callaway Gardens Olympic Tri, August 27, 2017 – Olympic (new to GP)
- Beach Blast II, Mexico Beach, September 9, 2017 - Sprint
- 11. Ironman Augusta 70.3, September 24, 2017**
- Sprint on the Flint, Bainbridge, GA, October 2017 - Sprint

Optional Races
St. Marks Duathlon, March 2017
Tri the Rez, October 2017

Important Rule Changes to Note

Expand OPEN points out to 7 places allowing more competitors to get OPEN POINTS: Open Points would be awarded to the first seven Tri Club members to cross the finish line in a Grand Prix event. 1st place earns 30 points, 2nd earns 20, 3rd earns 17, 4th earns 15, 5th earns 13 points, 6th earns 10 points, and 7th earns 7 points

Expand AG points out to 7 places allowing more competitors to get AG POINTS: AG Points would be awarded to the first seven Tri Club members in each Age Group. 1st place earns 20 points, 2nd earns 15, 3rd earns 12, 4th earns 10, 5th earns 8 points, 6th earns 5 points, and 7th earns 3 points

Clarification for bonus points (ultra-distance races) to include Open as well as AG points.

STICKERS & MAGNETS FOR SALE

A reminder that we have stickers and magnets with our Gulf Winds Triathletes logo available for purchase! The stickers come in two sizes - 2" x 5" and 4" x 10". The magnets come in 4" x 10" size. We will have them for sale at the monthly meetings and they can also be purchased on our website. Below is an example of the logo. The pink outline represents the edge of the stickers and magnets.



AND DECEMBER'S TRIATHLETE SPOTLIGHT IS.....

ALL GULF WINDS TRIATHLETES!

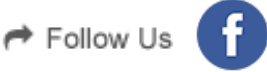
To end the year, we wanted to run over some quick stats from our club. It is a pretty impressive group of athletes we have toying the line week in and week out while training at all times between:

Total Club Members: 265
Total Female Members: 121 (45.6%! Avg. USAT female membership was 37.6% in 2015, so the Gulf Winds Triathletes Ladies are doing it right!)

Total Male Members: 144
Total Grand Prix Competitors: 124
Total Grand Prix Races by Competitors: 284
Total Ultradistance Races Completed: 23
Age of Oldest Member: 82 Years Young
Age of Youngest Member: 6 Years Old
Total USAT Annual Members: 147
Lowest USAT Number: 23443 (only three other members under 100000)

We also would be remiss if we didn't say thank you to all of you who make this club what it is. We would not exist without all of our great members. This club is every bit as much about camaraderie and friendship as it is about fitness and competition. For that, we are all lucky to be part of such a wonderful organization. Through this club, many of us have forged strong friendships that will last us the rest of our lives. Many of us have made healthy changes in the way we live our lives. And all of us (most of the time at least!) are having a blast doing it all together! We look forward to many more fun, successful years to follow. This is all possible because of each and everyone of you in this great club. Thank you!!!!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE PARTAY!!!!



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