

Speed will rule during water races in Tavares

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TAVARES — Speed continues to rule the waterfront this week-end when personal watercraft races into town.

For the third year, promoter Mike Young brings the Pro Hydro X Tour with races to Wootton Park from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and Sunday.

“This is the off-season for us, and this event brings people to town and is a good water-related event,” city economic-development director Bill Neron said.

Racers will compete in classes that range from beginner to veteran, with special classes for women, juniors ages 10 to 15 years old and freestyle competition from noon to 12:30 p.m. each day.

Qualifying heats will take place from 9 a.m. to noon today and 10 a.m. to noon Sunday. Final heats will take place from 12:30 to 4 p.m. both days.

The tour, with stops throughout-

out the Southeast, raced in Macon, Ga., last week and continues to Myrtle Beach, S.C., after leaving Tavares.

This stop will be Round 3 in the Sea-Doo Spring National Finals. Round 5 also will take place in Tavares, on June 25 and 26.

Late registration will be available at 7 a.m. today at Wootton Park.

People who attend are advised to bring a chair and sunblock. For more information, see pwetfun.com.



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The Pro Hydro X Tour brings high-speed watercraft racing to Wootton Park in Tavares today and Saturday. Use sunblock if you'll be watching.