

## Podium Finishes at the Dún Laoghaire Regatta

9th July, 2017

Great results continued to come in over the weekend with Darragh, Mark & Noel finishing third in the Leinster Mermaid Championships and Dylan finishing second in the Laser Radial fleet at the Volvo Dún Laoghaire Regatta in fairly testing conditions with light winds and lumpy seas! Well done to all!

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## Gala Racing Success at WIORA

9th July, 2017

Congratulations to Simon, Elaine, Martin, Peter & Shane on Gala Racing who were 2nd in IRC 3 and 1st in ECHO 3 at WIORA's Volvo West Coast Championships on the Aran Islands this week. By all reports a fantastic event with great racing, a stunning race area, mighty craic & outstanding hosts in the islanders.



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## Superb Sailing at the Crosbie Cup

9th July, 2017

A mighty well done to Ross 5th in the Senior Fleet, & Conor 11th in the Regatta Fleet at the Crosbie Cup in Sutton Dinghy Club this weekend. Fantastic results from both!



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## Two out of Two in ISORA Races

18th June, 2017

**Whoop whoop!** Congratulations to Derek & Conor on Big Deal who won the Double Handed Class in the Dun Laoghaire to Dingle race this weekend. An endurance test of a race where over half the fleet retired due to the challenging conditions! Big Deal finished in 2 days 16 hrs 15 min 15 sec..... Maith thú buachaillí - mighty stuff altogether :)

<http://www.isora.org/index.php/results2/results-2017>



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## Stouche Win at ICRA National Championship

13th June, 2017

A massive congratulations to Darragh McCormack & crew; Mark, Noel & Roisín McCormack & Tadgh O'Loinsigh on winning IRC 4 in the ICRA National Championships in very challenging conditions at Crosshaven in Cork over the weekend. They were also crowned J24 Southern Champions at the event.



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## Big Deal kicks off Offshore Season with a Win

6th June, 2017

Derek & Conor Dillon got their offshore season off to a great start with a win in Class 2 of the ISORA Dublin Bay Race over the. The next race in their busy season is the Dún Laoghaire to Dingle on June 14th before heading across the waters for the Round the Islands race. Wishing them the very best of luck & safe sailing....



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## J/24 Western Championships

22nd May, 2017

Many thanks to all the members who helped out at the J24 Western Championships over the weekend. It was a brilliant few days at the club with great sailing & great craic. Many of the 14 visiting boats had never been to Foynes before and commented about the extremely friendly welcome they received and the fantastic atmosphere throughout the event. This would not happen without you, the members, giving up your time to help out both afloat and ashore. A sincere thanks from Simon, Darragh & Elaine.

Congratulations to the winners in all categories:

Gold Fleet

1st - Jamais Encore - JP McCaldin - Lough Erne Yacht Club/Sligo Yacht Club

2nd - Hard on Port - Flor O'Driscoll - Royal St. George Yacht Club

3rd - Jumpin Jive - Mark Usher - Greystones Sailing Club

Silver Fleet

1st - Scandal - HYC K25 Team - Howth Yacht Club

2nd - Jibe - Fergus Kelliher - Tralee Bay Sailing Club

3rd - YaGottaWanna - Dave Lane & Sinéad Enright - Royal Cork Yacht Club

Race Reports from Afloat.ie

>> [Day One Race Report](#)

>> [Day Two Race Report](#)

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## Open Day 'Try Sailing' for Commodore's Day

9th May, 2017

Thank you to all the skippers who took people out Try Sailing to celebrate Commodore's Day & to all the shore volunteers who fed & watered the crowds. The weather of course made the day & great craic had by all!



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## Gangway for Guide Dogs

2nd May, 2017



The very best of luck to Chris, Dave & Jim as they depart on the Gangway to Guide Dogs trip this coming weekend. They will be leaving Foynes on Saturday afternoon at approximately 4pm. If you're in the area why not come down and wish them well.

Follow their journey on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/GangwayforGuidedogs/>

To donate check out the Raisely Website.

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## Dinghy Series Kicks off Sailing in 2017

11th Mar, 2017

Dinghy sailing started the first weekend in February with the Foynes Pharmacy February Chill Series which ran for the five weekends in the month. On the first day out there were 19 dinghies & 28 sailors on the water, a positive start to the new year. Visitors from Killaloe Sailing Club, Tralee Bay Sailing Club and the University of Limerick Watersports Club were among the competitors. Sailing continued into March with the March Open Dinghy Series. While the weather didn't co-operate every week it was a fantastic start to the year. The dinghy series has concluded in Foynes for a few months while we encourage our members to participate in events at some of the local clubs, starting with the Spring Regatta in Tarbert followed by the Spring Series in Tralee Bay before hopefully taking part in a few events in Killaloe & Cullaun.

Thanks to everyone who assisted both ashore & afloat during the 'bitterly cold' months of Feb & Mar!

Keep an eye on website or FB page for updates or contact dinghy class captain Mark McCormack on 0877175455 for further information.

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## Winter Wednesdays

16th Feb, 2017

A big thank you to everyone who supported the Winter Wednesdays at the club. Each evening provided something different with great discussions & sharing of knowledge. Well done to Kevin Bartley & Tom Murray for organising the sessions & a special thanks to all those who prepared the sessions.

- #1 Winter Lay Up Tips hosted by Tom Murray
- #2 Meteorology by Michael Connery
- #3 One Pot Wonders thanks to Ann Shanahan
- #4 Getting Knotted with John Joe Buckley & James McCormack
- #5 Safety Talk from Charlie Glynn of the RNLI





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## Volvo ISA Training Centre of the Year 2016

28th Jan, 2017

Foynes Yacht Club Sailing Academy are delighted to have won the Volvo ISA Training Centre of the Year 2016 Award at the Irish Sailing Association's annual awards which took place at the RDS Concert Hall on Friday night. The FYC Sailing Academy won the Regional Award for the south for the 2nd consecutive year. Three regional winners are chosen each year with one overall winner announced at the awards ceremony. Centre Principal Patrick Finucane accepted the award on behalf of everyone involved in the Sailing Academy and attributed the success to volunteerism and hard work!



The Sailing Academy would like to sincerely thank *all* the volunteers, instructors, young sailors who attend the Sailing Academy, parents, members of the club & local Foyne community for all your support over the past few years. Looking forward to more sailing and more young people out on the water in 2017!