

West Coast Championship's largest ever entry!

Next Wednesday the largest fleet ever in the West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association history will go to the start line for the start of the 'West Coast Championships'; being run in association with the Irish Cruiser Racing Association and being hosted by Tralee Bay Sailing Club. The West Coast Championships is being billed as one not to be missed.

The West Coast Championship's starts a day before and overlap's on the Thursday & Friday of the Irish Cruiser Racing Association's 'National Cruiser Championship's', with the overall prize giving being held on the Friday Night.

The prizes for the West Coast Championship's will include -Overall West Coast Champion, West Coast Division Champion of which on IRC H'cap there are four divisions and on Echo H'cap there are five divisions and if that wasn't enough prizes to give out at one event – also there is a cup for the best performing in each design of the following yacht - Sigma 33, X-Yacht and Beneteau and the Tommie O'Keefe trophy for the winner of the coastal race for Division Two.

Some regular names to the West Coast Championships are back again this year - Vincent Gaffney's Alliance; Finbarr O' Connell's Treyona; Thomas & Kieran Whelan's Chaos; Ian Gaughan's Xena; Raymond Mc Gibney's Disaray and Dan Counihan's Galileo with alot more from the West Coast fleet.

Some new names to the West Coast Championships to mention a few - Barry Cunningham's ~ Contango, S & J Tyrell's J109 ~ Aquelina; Eamon Rohan's Blonde IV; Vincent O'Shea's Yanks & ffrancs ; Paul Mc Gibney's Virgin on the ridicules

Alan Crosbie is the principal race officer with his team will be ensuring all competitors will have challenging and varied courses during the scheduled seven races over the three days.

Tralee Bay Sailing Club has being working hard over the last number of months to ensure that this event will be very memorable for years to come.

West Coast Championship's Tralee Bay Sailing Club 10th – 12th June 2009

For more information and results next week www.traleebaysailingclub.com