

2025 IODAI Munster Championships

Important Information for Visitors 13th & 14th September 2025

Kinsale Yacht Club in conjunction with **IODAI** are so pleased to welcome you all to beautiful Kinsale for a weekend of fun and sailing !

Kinsale Yacht Club Location: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/JHQsFcWxsC5mSonY9>

Arriving and Unpacking Boats

The Optimists will be positioned as follows for the event:

Regatta Fleet (Racing and Coached) will be parked in the KYC dinghy park.

Main Fleet (Senior and Junior) will remain on the Town Pier directly adjacent to the launching slip.

The drop off system on Friday Evening / Saturday Morning will be a one way system on the Town Pier.

Follow the signage and steward instructions and please be prepared to efficiently unload your boat and move your car off the pier to make room for others arriving.

Optimist box trailers can be left in the designated space on the Pier.

On street car parking is available around the club as well as 2 designated car parks in the centre of town. There are a limited number of public pay parking spaces in the Shearwater Apartments carpark next door to the Yacht Club.

The main entrance of the Club and Town Pier area must be kept clear at all times. Emergency vehicles and Heavy Goods Vehicles require unimpeded access.

Please respect parking rules in the vicinity of the Pier, the local Traffic Warden, the Harbour Master, and Gardai actively police parking in the area.

RIBs will be launched separately (see instructions below).

Safety - Road Crossing

The sailors will have to cross a busy main road between the Yacht Club and the Town Pier regularly throughout the event. This crossing will be manned by volunteers at key times. Please ensure that your child is aware of safe road-crossing precautions and not to cross the road unless assisted by a parent or an adult volunteer.

Camping and Accommodation

A designated event campsite has been arranged nearby adjacent to the Dock Beach area. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/D5FPLbWYZ8UuU4ZKA>

The booking link to reserve this camping is on the KYC and IODAI websites.

Facilities such as toilets and water will be available at the event campsite.

Club facilities such as showers and pay per use washing machines can be used for the

duration of the event.

Camping is for tents, campervans, and caravans only.

A range of other accommodation options can be found using the following link

[Stay | Kinsale's Accommodation Options | Kinsale.ie](#)

Communications

The IODAI WhatsApp Groups will be the primary communication channel for the event.

Updates may also be posted on the IODAI website (www.iodai.com) and the Kinsale Yacht Club website (www.kyc.ie)

NOR, SSI etc: For all information relating to the event, please check out the event page on the IODAI website.

First Aid

While competitors are on the water, a volunteer nurse will be on site for first aid or referral.

When off the water, a first aid kit will be available in the clubhouse.

The nearest hospital with an emergency department is **Cork University Hospital** (24hr).

A defibrillator is located outside the Harbour Master's offices.

Registration

Registration takes place downstairs in the Kinsale Yacht Club cadet room:

- **Friday, 6:00–8:00pm**
- **Saturday, 8:30–9:30am**

RNLI

The RNLI operate a lifeboat station in Kinsale Harbour and require 24/7 access to the water.

Please respect all access routes and emergency markings.

Support Boats

Support boats must launch at the **Viking Wharf Slip** upriver in Kinsale Harbour beyond the RNLI Station and The Trident Hotel (not from the club).

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/n2VryecRd74g1VYu5>

This slip is open 24/7 but can be busy — plan accordingly.

Trailers may be stored in the designated parking / campsite area near the Dock Beach, which will be signposted.

Support RIBs may remain on the Yacht Club marina overnight.

Social & Food

The KYC crew are well known for their campsite cuisine, and now is your chance to see it done in style in the Yacht Club !

The Yacht Club restaurant will be open on Friday at 6.30pm for dinner, booking is recommended (021 4773433)

The Club will also be open for tea, coffee and pastries on Saturday and Sunday morning following launching.

THE MAIN EVENT !!!!

A special evening of gastronomy, fun and dancing awaits you all on Saturday night. The Good Food Circle of Kinsale welcomes you to the balcony of KYC from 5pm for a special Seafood and Stout reception. Following this watch the

sun go down over Kinsale Harbour enjoying a KYC style barbeque, while the DJ plays to keep old and young alike entertained.

Tickets for this event are available via the link on the KYC and IODAI websites, priced at €20 per adult and €12 per child.

If anyone has any further queries before they arrive in Kinsale, please reach out and we will endeavour to assist in any way we can.