**IODAI TEAMS 2018**

Each year we select a number of Teams to represent the Optimist Class at International sailing events. These teams are selected based on ranking following Trials (which is an invitation only event) in April 2018. Please see below details of the teams IODAI will be supporting this year.

**WORLDS**

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Venue: Famagusta Nautical Club, Cyprus

Dates: August 27 – September 6

Flights: Wednesday 22/Aug/18 – depart Dublin 15:20 to Larnaca

Saturday 08/Sep/18 – depart Larnaca 09:45 to Dublin

Coach:         Gonzalo Pollitzer

* Worlds places are awarded to top 5 sailors at Trials, however if a sailor declines and opts for Euros the place can be offered to the next in line down to the sailor in 10th place.
* Pre event training WHICH IS COMPULSORY - 5, 6 & 7May and 13 (half day), 14 & 15 June. Worlds and European Training will be co-located to have maximum benefit for both teams.
* At least 2 IODAI events prior to traveling
* Cost TBC

**EUROPEANS**

Venue: Sheveningen, Netherlands

Dates: June 22 – June 30

Flights: Monday 18/Jun/18 – depart Dublin 13:30 to Amsterdam

Sunday 01/Jul/18 - depart Amsterdam 13:25 to Dublin

Coach: Thomas Chaix

* Next team of 7 sailors of which at least 3 are from the same gender on ranking after IODAI trials ( after those who chose to take part in the worlds have been excluded)
* Pre event training WHICH IS COMPULSORY - 5, 6 & 7May and 13 (half day), 14 & 15 June. Worlds and European Training will be co-located to have maximum benefit for both teams.
* At least 2 IODAI events prior to traveling
* Cost TBC

**INTERNATIONAL DELVEOPMENT SQUAD – FRANCE**

Venue: French Nationals, Maubuisson, Bordeaux

Dates: July 15 – July 20

Flights: Thursday 12/Jul/18 – depart Dublin 13:00 to Bordeaux

Saturday 21/Jul/18 – depart Bordeaux 16:35 to Dublin

Accommodation at the event in a Villa near the event

Coach: Dara O’Shea

* Team of 7 sailors of which at least 2 are from the same gender after those who are traveling to The Worlds, Europeans are excluded at trails 2018
* Pre event training WHICH IS COMPULSORY – 12 & 13May (Cork) and 13 (half day), 14 & 15 June
* At least 2 IODAI events prior to traveling
* Cost TBC

**INTERNATIONAL DELVEOPMENT SQUAD – POLAND**

Event: Polish Trials, Marina Polmax, Dziwnow

Dates: May 31 – June 3

Flights: Monday 28/May/18 – depart Dublin 07:45 to Szczecin

Monday 04/Jun/18 – depart Szczecin 11:35 to Dublin

Accommodation Perla Spa and Hotel resort

Coach: Michael Gryglewski

* Team of 7 sailors of which at least 2 are from the same gender after those traveling to the Worlds, Europeans and IDT France at trails ranking have been excluded
* Pre event training WHICH IS COMPULSORY – 12 & 13 May, Cork and 26 & 27 May, Dublin. Michal will then travel with the team and team parent to Poland on 28 May.
* Cost TBC

**UNDER 12’S SQUAD - UK Nationals**

Event: UK Nationals, Welsh National Sailing Academy, Pwllheli,

Dates: August 4 to August 10

Coach: Thomas Chaix

* This is our junior team. They have already qualified for U12’s on the basis of their ranking following the 2017 season. Team members had to do at least 2 regional events, plus the Irish Nationals and be in the top 45 in the junior rankings at the end of the 2017 season.
* Pre event training WHICH IS COMPULSORY – 26 & 27 May and 27, 28 & 29 July
* Cost TBC

**PLEASE NOTE**

* As always, training is compulsory
* Failure to take part in the pre event training or compulsory event will result in the sailor forfeiting his/her place.
* All sailors involved in teams are encouraged to compete in International regattas prior to their targeted team event.