

Maritime Exhibition

10th - 25th
September 2010

The Maritime Exhibition will feature information stands and displays about the environment, fisheries, local river catchments, wildlife, tourism attractions, local heritage, boat facilities, boat building projects, water based organizations and model displays.

The Exhibition will run for 2 weeks from the River Festival to the end of the Newfoundland Festival. All relevant organizations are welcome to display their information.

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Past events of the Ireland Newfoundland Festival

2004

- Hook Head** Visit from the Premier of Newfoundland & Labrador & the Minister for Innovation
- Newfoundland** Irish representatives met with the Premier of Newfoundland & Labrador, & representatives of the Federal & Provincial Government as well as many communities in the Southern Avalon
- Duncannon** Visit from the Minister for Tourism of Newfoundland & Labrador

2005

- Dunmore East** Full Festival including Maritime Heritage conference with an Irish contribution from the Coastal & Marine Resources Centre, UCC

2006

- Newfoundland** Full Festival including Coastal Zone & Catchment Management conference with Irish contributions from: Dept of Marine; Eastern Regional Fisheries Board; Coastal & Marine Resources Centre, UCC & National Fishermen's Association

2007

- Kilmore Quay** Full Festival including Fisheries & Coastal Communities conference with Irish contributions from: DG Fisheries & Maritime Affairs, European Commission; Marine Institute & BIM

2009

- Newfoundland** Full Festival including Fisheries conference with Irish contributions from local charter angling boats.





AGENDA

- 9:00 Registration
- 9:30 – Introductions by Sean Reidy, CEO JFK Trust
 - Welcome by John Dwyer, Chairman, New Ross Town Council
 - Opening by Sean Connick, Minister of State, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries & Forestry
 - Special Guest: Dennis O'Keefe, Mayor of St. John's, Newfoundland
- 10:00 – **Developing a Marine Leisure Infrastructure Strategy** with Vicki O'Donnell, Coastal & Marine Resource Centre, University College Cork
- 11:00 *Tea & coffee*
- 11:15 Workshops
 - 1) **Estuary & cruising ground, facilities at harbours**
Chaired by – Captain Phil Murphy, Kilmore Quay Harbour Office & Andy Careen, Southern Shore, Newfoundland
 - 2) **Community heritage interpretation**
Chaired by - Declan Rice, CEO, Kilkenny Leader Partnership & Pat Curran, CEO, Irish Loop Development Board, Newfoundland
 - 3) **Marketing & packaging**
Chaired by – Ethna Murphy, Fáilte Ireland & John Chidley, Ferryland, Newfoundland
- 12:30 Feedback chaired by David Minogue, Town Clerk, New Ross Town Council
- 13:00 *Lunch*

Almost 50% of the Newfoundland population can trace their ancestry to South East Ireland. The two islands also share economic development challenges, providing opportunities for collaboration in the areas of fisheries, coastal tourism & local development.

In 2004, an annual festival was developed to facilitate closer cooperation between the two countries. The festival alternates between South East Ireland & Newfoundland & consists of a series of 60 events over 10 days including 3 formal conferences.

Each festival has featured a conference on the marine sector & this year, 2010, New Ross is hosting a conference with a focus on **Marine Leisure Infrastructure** as a useful focus for both countries, with contributions from each country.

- 14:00 Visit the Maritime Exhibition adjacent to the Ros Tapestry, The Quay New Ross



- 14:30 Boat trip to Duncannon (bus collection in Duncannon and on to Hook Lighthouse)



- 14:30 Bus trip to Kennedy Homestead, Duncannon and on to Hook Lighthouse

Confirmation of attendance at the Dunbrody Visitor Centre, 051 425239 or registration on the day.

