



Les Crocodiles de l'Elorn

From throughout France yes and from all over Europe too, we put on European Championships. This year from the first to the seventh of July, twenty thirteen, we are organizing the European Championships in the categories RSX and RS1. RSX being the Olympic sized board.

Well yes, we have my daughter Lucine Bossard, who in 2012 was World Champion in 93 class, female juniors. Over there are the boys who sailed 293 class, they train two afternoons a week.

Well this stretch of water it's pretty well enclosed and therefore very sheltered. There are three clubs on the rade, ours; the Crocodiles de L'Elorn; the Society Frigates de Brest; and the Union Sportif Activité Mer, whether its windsurfing, sailing, in Laser class, Optimist or whatever, all the watersports are available here.

Yes the Elorn is the name of the river, well its name came up by accident really. The club was founded in 1975 and the first windsurfers used to practice in the Elorn River. As they weren't very good, they used to fall in quite a lot and so to get their boards back, they had to swim and one day, someone watching on the bank said "They look like crocodiles", that's the origin of the name.

No usually they don't, by the way, I should point out that the club is the number one club for windsurfing in France, and that we have two Olympic Champions in the Crocodiles of the Elorn .

They are preparing their sails, putting the mast inside the sail, then they add the wishbone, ready to go out on the water.

According to the age group they're in, these youngsters are under sixteens and juniors class. The sail for the junior class is six point eight square mètres and for the under sixteens seven point eight square mètres. They have the same size board; they're going to get them out in a minute, so as to go out on the water.

