



## Class 40 Worlds head for Spain this year

*Gijon to host offshore racing fleet in July*

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Following the World Championship held out of Hamble in 2009, so this year the Class 40 Mondiale moves to Gijon, Spain. Among the line-up will be the 2009 World Champion, Ned Collier-Wakefield on *Concise* who last year finished ahead of Simon Clarke and Felipe Cubillos.

This year Collier-Wakefield is set to face some new competition. Tanguy de Lamotte is back all, the stronger following his victory last autumn in the doublehanded *Solidaire du Chocolat*, however a number of new boats and new designs are set to compete for this year's title.

As for the race course, Gijon with its proximity to the Cantabrian mountain range can create some interesting surprises, with coastal effects and current traps.

This year's Class 40 World Championship takes place over 22-25 July, with a series that will include windward-leewards and longer coastal races where navigation and tactics will be crucial.