Digital Yacht introduce iPad and iPhone link for Raymarine systems

The Navionics charting app for the iPhone and iPad has been a popular choice for sailors, but a limitation has been connecting it to your onboard systems. Digital Yacht has produced a new product called iNAVConnect which acts as a wireless gateway for your onboard systems.

Raymarine currently support waypoint transfer from their popular C and E wide series multi-function displays, to the Navionics iPad or iPhone application, which allows you to create routes and waypoints on the mobile device. You can then transfer them across to your onboard system, which connects via WiFi, so no cumbersome cables are required. Many other manufacturers who utilise Navionic’s charts may add this functionality for the future, but at the moment it is just Raymarine’s popular C and E series.

iNAVConnect also has another trick up its sleeve. It connects to the Raymarine network via a standard ethernet connection, but also has an additional port for connection to Digital Yacht’s latest WL510 WiFi access system. This means that your mobile device can connect to on board high power WiFi and that all of your crew can have access.

iNAVConnect’s price is $279.95 and is available now. Find Digital Yacht America at the NMEA International Marine Electronics Conference & Expo in Fort Myers, Florida from Wednesday September 28 – Saturday October 1 or at Annapolis (Sail) in Tent A, Booth 21 from Thursday 6 October – Monday 10 October and Annapolis (Power) also in Tent A, Booth 21 from Thursday 13 October – Sunday 16 October.