

Name: Nathan Thorne

DOB: 27/12/1993

Grew up: Holyhead

Currently Living: Holyhead

Occupation: Watersports Instructor

Sailing/ Yacht Club: Holyhead Sailing Club

Position on Boat: Foredeck

First sailing experience: Paired up with a friend in an optimist when I was 7

Greatest sailing goal: Volvo Ocean Race

Greatest sailing achievement to date: 1st welsh laser 4.7 nationals 2008



Most memorable sailing experience: Abersoch keelboat week 2011, broad reaching with the kit up as a 40 knot squal came through

Meet the sailor...

Greatest strength you bring to the academy? Motivation

Most influential person in your sailing career to date? Tudur Owen

What do you hope to achieve from joining the Keelboat Academy? How to campaign a boat and get more experience on different boats and just develop my keelboat sailing

If you could compete in any Keelboat event what event would it be and why? Volvo Ocean Race

My worst moment (sailing)? going out for a sail in a topper when I was about ten, the wind picked up and I struggled to get back in and my dad ended up towing me behind his laser,

Best sailing venue in the UK? Pwllheli

- **Top 3 career sailing results:** 1) 1st welsh laser 4.7 nationals 2008
- 2) 3rd Abersoch keelboat week 2011
- 3) Eric Twiname team racing championships 2007

Other notable achievements away from sailing? weightlifting - 1st welsh school boys championships 2009

Other interests away from sailing? kayaking windsurfing