



**Name:** Ross Carmichael

**DOB:** 17/02/93

**Grew up:** Dumfries, Scotland

**Currently Living:** Glasgow

**Occupation:** Student at Strathclyde University

**Sailing/ Yacht Club:** Annandale Sailing Club

**Position on Boat:** Jib/Kite trim

**First sailing experience:** Sailing toppers as part of my schools sailing programme

**Greatest sailing goal:** To race in the Americas Cup

**Greatest sailing achievement to date:** Getting into the British Keelboat Academy

**Most memorable sailing experience:** Winning the overall trophy at West Highland Week

**Meet the sailor...**

***Greatest strength you bring to the academy?*** *Being able to keep a cool head and perform well under pressure*

***Most influential person in your sailing career to date?*** My parents for getting me involved with sailing and transporting me all over the country!

***What do you hope to achieve from joining the Keelboat Academy?*** Being able to improve all aspects of my sailing and to make new contacts within the industry

***If you could compete in any Keelboat event what event would it be and why?*** The Volvo Ocean Race, as it is the pinnacle of offshore racing and the toughest race in the world!

**Best sailing venue in the UK?** Weymouth

***Other interests away from sailing?*** Windsurfing, canoeing and cycling

**What's your greatest fear or phobia?** Snakes

**Who is your hero and why?** Ben Ainslie, consecutive gold Olympic medals and commanding such a high level of respect from his fellow competitors is truly something to be amazed at

**Any famous relatives?!** Not yet!