



**Name:** Andy Sinclair

**DOB:** 23/02/1993

**Grew up:** Southampton

**Currently Living:** Southampton / Plymouth /  
Back of my car

**Occupation:** Student / Sailmaker

**Sailing/ Yacht Club:** Royal Southern Yacht  
Club

**Position on Boat:** Somewhere between the  
front and back

**First sailing experience:** I can't remember, I  
sailed before I was born, and after I was born, can't remember when I haven't been  
sailing!



**Greatest sailing goal:** Firstly to keep enjoying it. Secondly to win the Vendee Globe

**Greatest sailing achievement to date:** Winning the RYA Youth Nationals in the Spitfire

**Most memorable sailing experience:** 16 knots on Quokka during the 2011 IRC Nats,  
when a 35knot squall came through

**Meet the sailor...**

***Greatest strength you bring to the academy?*** A passion for sailing

***Most influential person in your sailing career to date?*** My Dad and the French!

***What do you hope to achieve from joining the Keelboat Academy?*** To learn more,  
meet new people and take my sailing to the next level

***If you could compete in any Keelboat event what event would it be and why?*** The  
Vendee Globe, it is the ultimate challenge for oceanic racing

***My worst moment (sailing)?*** Breaking a topper mast after an epic crash gybe this  
summer

**Best sailing venue in the UK?** Weymouth Bay with big rollers

**Top 3 career sailing results:**

- 1) 1<sup>st</sup> RYA Youth National Championships 2012, Spitfire Class
- 2) 1<sup>st</sup> in Class and Overall, IRC National Championships 2011, Quokka 8
- 3) 2<sup>nd</sup> in IRC 2, winner of young skippers trophy, Cowes week 2012, Quokka 8

**Other notable achievements away from sailing?** *There is a world outside sailing?*

**Other interests away from sailing?** *Cycling, thinking about sailing, doing outdoors stuff*

**What's your greatest fear or phobia?** Dry Land

**Who is your hero and why?** *Eric Tabarly and Sir Peter Blake, exceptional sailors and role models*

**Any famous relatives?!** *My Granny has met the Queen....*