



CHRIS NOBLE

DOB: 13/10/88

Grew up: Glasgow

Currently Living: Hamble

Occupation: Professional amateur on grand prix circuits

Sailing/ Yacht Club: Largs S.C.

Position on Boat: Mainsheet / Mainsheet Caddy

First sailing experience: Age 6, Optimist, Largs S.C.

Greatest sailing goal: To have a successful professional career.

Greatest sailing achievement to date: 4th Overall 2009 RC44 Championship Tour

Most memorable sailing experience: My first day onboard Farr52 "Chernikeef 2" doing 26 knots in the Solent with an all youth crew on board.

Meet the sailor....

Greatest strength you bring to the academy? Flexibility, experience from professional side of sport, adaptability. Easy going and open minded

Who is the most influential person in your sailing career to date? Nigel King and Cameron Appleton for providing me with the opportunities and experiences I've had this season

What do you hope to achieve from joining the Keelboat Academy? Broaden my skills base, sail with new people and make new contacts within the sport whilst working towards shared goals as an all youth team.

If you could compete in any Keelboat event what event would it be and why? Volvo Ocean Race, at present i think it represents the most gruelling challenge within the sport that culminates all the aspects i find interesting.

Top 3 career sailing results:

- 1)4th RC44 2009 Championship Tour
- 2)11th Overall 2009 Fastnet
- 3)5th 2007 Student Yachting World Cup

Other interests away from sailing? Mountain biking, rugby, climbing

Who is your hero and why? Terry Hutchinson – Brings that winning ingredient to every campaign he's involved in

Any famous relatives?! Not yet