



Name: Fergus Barnham

DOB: 07/11/1992

Grew up: Kings Lynn

Currently Living: Portsmouth

Occupation: Student

Sailing/ Yacht Club: Snettisham Beach Sailing Club

Position on Boat: Helm/Main Trim

First sailing experience: With my dad sitting in the front of an Oppie aged 3 or 4 years old.

Greatest sailing achievement to date: 2nd Topper nationwide, 7th Laser 2000 nationals

Most memorable sailing experience: Sailing in a huge swell and force 5 at the Laser Standard Youth World Championships

Meet the sailor...

Greatest strength you bring to the academy? *My drive and determination, especially when the going gets tough, being able to inspire people to keep going through hard times.*

Most influential person in your sailing career to date? *Dad, mum and my Brother. My dad has been my coach to me over the last 3 years and always been there backing my sailing as well as my mum. My brother success in rugby has always driven me to do my best and he has always been there to motivate me.*

What do you hope to achieve from joining the Keelboat Academy? *Experience in keelboats, and to improve all the areas of my sailing taking advantage of top level coaching.*



My worst moment (sailing)? Laser 2000 nationals in 2010 on the second day of racing, it was just one of those days when everything we tried went wrong, it was very frustrating.

Best sailing venue in the UK? Snettisham beach!

Top 3 career sailing results:

- 1) 2nd Topper Nationwide 2008
- 2) 7th Laser 2000 Nationals 2011
- 3) 9th Nationwide Series overall 2008

Other notable achievements away from sailing?

County cup champions in football 2009 that year we reached the quarter finals of the English Schools Football Association Cup. Regained the County Cup in 2011. County Cup champions in Rugby 2010

Other interests away from sailing?

Rugby, Football

What's your greatest fear or phobia?

Spiders, they just creep me out.... Manly I know.

Who is your hero and why? Martin Johnson he is an inspirational leader, formidable player, competitive in every situation. The example he set led the way especially in the 2003 world cup. Every team needs a captain like him.

Any famous relatives?! My Brother, plays rugby professionally for Nottingham Rugby