



Name: Kate Devereux

DOB: 07/02/1995

Grew up: Cambridge

Currently Living: Poole

Occupation: Student

Sailing/ Yacht Club: Poole yacht club

Position on Boat: Not sure yet!

First sailing experience: Crashing around in an oppie aged 8

Greatest sailing goal: To become part of a top level team consistently winning regattas



Greatest sailing achievement to date: Helming Round the Island this year and winning ISC division 5

Most memorable sailing experience: Helming an 18ft skiff in not very much wind and still going really fast!

Meet the sailor...

Greatest strength you bring to the academy?

Determination and keeping everyone optimistic when things don't go to plan

Most influential person in your sailing career to date?

My dad for carting me around to many national and international events over the years and teaching me to sail

What do you hope to achieve from joining the Keelboat Academy?

To improve my teamwork skills in working with a group of people and getting the opportunity to take part in some top level yacht racing. Also to improve my organisational skills in planning a campaign.

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

I'd love to do Commodore's Cup again because of the diversity of the races, from inshore to offshore and round the island, and meeting international teams

My worst moment (sailing)?

Probably snapping my laser mast when surfing down the waves of Hayling bar with about half of the 4.7 national squad!

Best sailing venue in the UK?

Pwllheli because of the beautiful scenery and great waves

Top 3 career sailing results:

- 1) 1st RTI ISC division 5 2012*
- 2) Commodore's Cup 2012 5th team*
- 3) 2nd GBR girl laser 4.7 Europeans 2010*

Other notable achievements away from sailing?

Playing county level tennis and netball

Other interests away from sailing?

Tennis, windsurfing, fundraising for the RNLI

What's your greatest fear or phobia?

Spiders and the like really freak me out!

Who is your hero and why?

Anyone who triumphs in the face of adversity and stands up for what they believe in, but personally one of my best friends who is no longer here but always believed in me

Any famous relatives?!

Not that I know of!