



MARINA BRASSINGTON

DOB: 11/05/1991

Place of Birth & grew up:

Born in Braintree

Currently Living:

Southampton

Occupation:

Student of Southampton University,
studying Oceanography
and Physical geography

Sailing/ Yacht Club:

Wessex Sailing Club

Position on Boat:

Helm. Not sure on J80 yet!



First sailing experience: Can't remember first experience as was put in a boat before I could walk...very sailing family! Started racing topplers in Zone squad aged 12 and before that mucked around at Aylesbury sailing club, more in the water than on it.

Greatest sailing goal: Win gold at Olympics/ support medal winner at Olympics

Greatest sailing achievement to date: National Female Topper Champion 2007
Top Southampton University Firefly at BUSA Fleet racing nationals. *Becoming a member of the British Keelboat Academy!*

Most memorable sailing experience: Topper sailing at Phwelli in VERY big waves. Training was scrapped and we just did who can survive going down these waves the fastest! Some spectacular wipe-outs.

Meet the Sailor....

Greatest strength you bring to the academy? *Positive, calm and supportive attitude. If there is something that needs to be done, il just get on and do it.*

Most influential person in your sailing career to date? *Dave Cockerill...you win once you believe you will.*

What do you hope to achieve from joining the Keelboat Academy? Gain a greater knowledge of keelboat racing and wider racing experience. To develop myself and gain confidence.

If you could compete in any Keelboat event what event would it be and why? Vendee Globe, the bigger the better! Just what an amazing experience.

Top career sailing results:

- 1) Topper National female Champion 2007
- 2) 12th at BUSA Fleet racing Nationals

Other notable achievements away from sailing? Part of Southampton RAF reserve. Coached along side Topper National coaches. Got into Southampton University

Other interests away from sailing?

Dancing, journalism, ocean science.

Who is your hero and why?

My dad, for his selflessness and behind the scenes support for my sailing, the topper class and the RYA. Hope I can follow in his footsteps.

Any famous relatives?! Not really except Clement Atlee and Robert Scot, Granny's great uncle and 2nd cousin I think?