



## Tracy Edwards

**Skipper of the first all-female crew to sail around the world in the Whitbread Round the World Yacht Race**

Tracy Edwards achieved international fame in 1989 as the skipper of the first all-female crew to sail around the world in the Whitbread Round the World Yacht Race.

## Tracy's biography

### Tracy Edwards' background

Tracy was awarded [Sportswoman](#) of the Year in 1990 and was the first woman to achieve acceptance by the British yachting community paving the way for other women notably Dawn Riley and Ellen MacArthur. Building on her earlier success her yacht Maiden Tracy entered the Trophy Jules Verne in 1998 to consolidate her position as one of the world's top sailors. Tracy retired from round the world sailing in 1990 and turned her time and focus to managing sailing projects for her team. She also dedicates a lot of her time to her charities including the NSPCC, Childline and CEOP (Children's Exploitation and Online Protection Centre). Tracy is also patron of The Ahoy Centre, an Ambassador of One Parent Families and is also involved with The Lady Taverners, The Prince's Trust, Emmaus and The Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme.