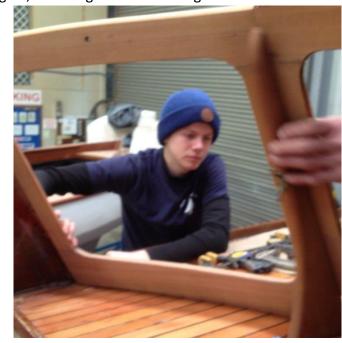


## Case Study – Bradley Grundy – Apprentice Boatbuilder (funded 2015-16)

## **Rice and Cole**

I am writing to you to tell you how my last six months have been. I have been very active and productive in my work, learning things every day. I have done a wide range of things and jobs such as spray painting, fibreglass repairs and lots of wooden repairs like deck beams, decks, and components for boat and masts. So far my favourite job has to be a mark 1 Corinthian design deck beam because of the range of skills and was my first project done mostly by myself and greatly helped me in my course work for college. That brings me onto the next point of studies; my work and studies fit very well with each other because the jobs I do at work help me understand a lot of the theory, they also fill in a lot of the boxes for my NVQ part of my course allowing me to have more time to be able to write them up and get them done well. The travel to college is long but worth it because I find myself learning a lot there about work rights, tax and general knowledge of

the work place and it also helps me understand how the course wants my work laid out and presented. I also get to see all sorts of different back grounds and ways of boat building and types of boat because the boat yard I am from do things differently and different things to other surrounding boat yards. Going to college I get to meet and experience these different sorts of people thus expanding my chance to grab other ways of doing things which helps with work, throwing in some new ideas and hopefully contributing as much as I'm taking. I have not found anything that challenging yet I have come across some tricky things like sharpening chisels and con caved curves but have figured it out through persistence.



Bradley Grundy – Rice & Cole