



Go Bobby, go

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In one of my first questions, you mentioned that your mum sings. Do you like singing...

Singing is my other big love. I actually sing on Saturday nights.

Have you got your own cd.

Another artist has asked me to include some of my songs on his cd.

Do you write music?

Not yet. I haven't had the time to get into it.

In the ring you appear strong and willing to win. But singers are sensitive... How do you combine strong and sensitive?

..... (he laughs)

I am a proud Spartan which is my source of courage. On the other hand, I am Bobby... Sensitive, caring and able to embrace music.

Do you have a serious relationship at the moment?

No.

Would you like to settle, marry and have children.

Yes. Definitely yes. I love children and this is why I decided two years ago to christen a little boy. I would like to give my children a lot of what I didn't have. My parents divorced when I was nine. Nine is fairly young. I have always had family around me, but I lived an x amount of time with my mum, some years with my grandparents and that has cause instability

What are your hobbies?

I don't like watching TV. I like spending some time in front of the computer... Facebook, YouTube, video clips. I like dancing, spearfishing and travelling.

What is your favourite colour?

Purple.

What is your favourite car?

Ferrari. Black Ferrari.

What is your favourite food?

Seafood.

I looked at him in disbelief... Don't forget I am half Kalyrnian.

...Now that makes sense!

What is your favourite song?
"Genethlia" Sfakianakis.

Do you cook?
A bit.

What is your favourite drink?
- Jack Daniels and coke.

Do you like been tidy?
Yes. I like things in order.

What is your best tv show?
I hardly watch tv. Underbelly, the first one was good.

What do women like about you?
... they say the tatoos and my eyelashes.

What don't you like about people.
When they talk to you and at the same time they fiddle around...

How are you going to celebrate your next name day?
With family. I really like all the fami-ly getting together.

What would you do if you saw a woman crying...
I would cuddle her and kiss her. Try to comfort her. Maybe cry with her.

Do you cry?
Yes. I have cried. Crying does not make you weak.

Tell me, what is one of the most extreme things you've done.
He laughs... Let's think because they are quite a few... I am a "trellaras" half s-partan half kalyrnian. Easter in Kalym-nos dynamites. I've done that. I promised myself I would not do that again.

It was Easter in Kalymnos and I was throwing fire crackers. I will never do this again.

What has been the best moment in your life?
My mum was away for a long time and I was missing her a lot. She called

me to say that it would be a couple of weeks before we could see each other... About half an hour later the bell rang and it was her. She had called me from the airport! That was a very emotional moment in my life.

Is your mum the most important person in your life?
Yes.

What is your life philosophy
What doesn't kill you makes you stronger and...
Treat people the way you want to be treated.

How do you feel after each win?
Satisfied. Happy. My hard training and effort has paid off...

Bobby has quite a few, large tattoos. Jesus, Mary, Zeus, Leonidas, a tiger, the greek flag...

You've got quite a few, but nice tattoos... How do you choose the theme of a tattoo.
Well I have chosen a few religious ones. I have some that represent the S-partans...

What will the next one be?
An octopus. Something to show that I am half Kalyrnian!

You find a genie. Make three wishes!
Health.
Happily married.
Family bonds.

You did not mention ...money!
Money doesn't buy you happiness.

How do you see love?
Love in our days is misused.
Love = respect, comprimise, under-standing.

Would you encourage someone to do boxing?
I wouldn't like to talk anyone into it. If they showed interest, I would help.

If I asked you to write something on paper
One life one chance

Do you think life is destined from the minute you are born?

Things can happen to stop living your dream but I believe that there is always power for decision making.

Have you ever been on a very low point.
Yes.

How did you snap out of it?
I believe in God
...I went throught a very hard time when my parents divorced. Getting robbed. Breaking up with my fiancee...

Praying makes you feel better?
Yes. You got to believe that life goes on.

When you feel bad what do you do?
Training and singing.

Can you sing when you are upset?
Yes

What has been your longest relation-ship?
7 years

What don't you like in a woman?
If she has no respect.

Is there something that you wouldn't like to do?
Being a lawyer... too many lies.

Do you have friends, good friends?
Yes. As I mentioned, my parents di- vored when I was only nine, and friends supported me a lot.

Are you a loyal friend?
Yes

What do you know about Spartans?
Everything. Very self-disciplined, self-restricted. True fighters.

Do you have a manager?
No. It could be my fault as well. I think its too much for my plate. I do my own training, I worry about my diet and my fight. On top of that I have to chase my own sponsors, sell tickets to get people to the fight.

Has anyone come up with an offer to be your manager?
No. My trainer managers who I fight, when I fight.

Who was the person that encouraged you to get into boxing professionally.
Steve Christodoulou. First proper trainer. "Come with us"

Does boxing have good money.
No if it wasn't for sponsors which I take the opportunity to thank:

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