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My Time at Woking Swimming Club:

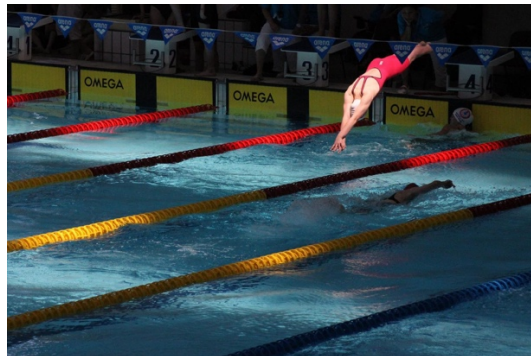
I was a member of Woking Swimming Club for 12 years, joining when I was 5 and leaving when I was 17. I started out as an Associate and progressed through all the squads, coached by many, including Sarah Marks, Karen Eastwood, Mark Staiger and most notably, Vince Ayling. From Diddys, to Club Champs, to Fun Night and to Cyprus & Crystal Palace Swim Camps (plus so much more), Woking SC played such a huge part in my development, not only as a competitive swimmer, but as a person too. I will always look back so fondly on my time spent at WSC, we were like one big family! I have met some incredible people along the way and made friendships that will last a lifetime, and I cannot thank the club enough for that.

I competed at Surrey County, South-East Regional, National and British Championships for many years. Two particular moments stand out for me. The first was achieving my first National Qualifying Time in 100m butterfly. I had been chasing the time for the whole year, and finally managed to get it in the Regional final. I distinctly remember looking up at the scoreboard...there really was no feeling quite like it! The second was finishing 4th in the 4x100m medley team National final alongside Anna Maine, Hazel Ferguson and Summer Upton. Although we just missed out on a medal, the whole experience was one I will never forget. It was the fastest we had ever swum as a team and it was also the fastest I had ever swum 100m butterfly! It just goes to show what a difference the atmosphere can make, in addition to being part of such a fantastic team.

My time at University:

I joined University of Bristol Swimming and Water Polo Club in 2017, and was part of the competitive swimming squad for three years. I trained regularly and represented the University at BUCS and Varsity competitions. Some of my highlights were making the BUCS 4x100 medley final in 2019, and competing in Germany, where I won a bronze in 50 fly.

I was also a member of the club's Committee for two years, responsible for the club's social media and social events. Joining the swimming team was one of the best decisions I made at University. I have made some friends for life and it has certainly made my years at Bristol all the more memorable.



What now?

I am in my final year of studying Law at Bristol, and will be starting my Legal Practice Course in Guildford next year... one step closer to becoming a solicitor!

Since hanging up my goggles, I have got back into running, alongside my Dad. We have completed two Surrey Half Marathons together, and I am currently training for the London Marathon next year. I plan to run this alongside my oldest swimming friend Hazel, which will make the experience all that more meaningful!