

# ORCA Swimming Club



## Coaching Team Changes

Hello ORCA Swimmers and Parents,

I have been informed by our Head Coach Nicola she has decided to stand down with immediate effect due to work and family reasons. After speaking to Nicola, I fully understand the reasons. I would like to go on record and thank Nicola for her tireless work and support to the club in developing our swimmers and working with the committee in developing the club structure to create a successful team which brought success to the club over the last 3 years.

I am pleased to inform you David Rees has agreed to become our new Head coach with immediate effect supported by Charlotte in her new role as Deputy Head coach.

To provide some background to David for those who are not familiar with him. He started his journey as an age group swimmer training at Salford where he reached the National Finals at 200m breaststroke. He still competes as a Masters swimmer at National level and trains at Oldham Aquatics, he is National Champion currently at 50m fly for his age group. He was also part of the Trafford team who brought home a European masters record in 4 x 50 FC relay. In recent times David has been competing for ORCA in both the Senior League and Arena League. David was previously head coach at Stalybridge, where in his second year they won all the leagues they entered.

During our discussions what stood out to me was his love of coaching on poolside and his hopes to bring his knowledge, love of swimming and competing to ORCA so that the swimmers and the club can progress and go from strength to strength in a way that's enjoyable and sustainable for everyone.

Please join me with giving David and Charlotte a very warm welcome to their new roles in the ORCA family and look forward continued development and success of ORCA swimming club.

We look forward to seeing you all back training and continuing our journey as the ORCA family.

Thanks

Pete

ORCA Chairman