



Rays Review

PRESS RELEASE

Message from Head Coach Hayley Ward

Head Coach

Hayley Ward



"Over the past week or so, I have come to a very difficult decision. For a mix of personal and professional reasons I have decided to leave the role of Salisbury Stingrays Head Coach. I will continue in this capacity until the end of the season to hopefully keep the impact on the swimmers to a minimum. Therefore my last day on poolside will be Monday 9th August, which is the final session before the two-week summer holiday. This was not an easy decision and I would like to thank everyone involved in the swimming club for the opportunity. I have really enjoyed my time here and I would like to thank all the swimmers for all their hard work and achievements over the past two seasons. I would also like to take this opportunity to wish the club and swimmers all the best for the future and I urge you all to keep in touch; as I want to know how you are getting on.

"Because of the decision to leave, there will be no structural squad changes made by myself. As I am sure you will appreciate, I feel that it would be unfair for me to make changes and not be there to implement and follow them through. In addition, once the new coach comes in I am sure that they will wish to make their own changes, as I did when I first joined. With regard to the beginning of next season and a replacement Head Coach, this is a matter for the committee over the next few weeks. I am sure that they will keep you informed, as they have the swimmers best interests at heart. I will be leaving as much information as I can for the committee and my replacement to help them to organise the club in the meantime and enable the new coach to fit in quickly. In respect of my future I will be returning to the City of Coventry Swimming Club. But in the long term, I wish to go back to university and complete the PGCE teacher training in Physical Education."



The Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank Hayley for all her hard work over the past 18 months and wish her every success in the future.

We have already started the process of finding a new coach in the hope that we will have this person in place for the start of the new season. We would also like to reassure all our members that we will endeavour to make this transition as smooth as possible, but would ask for a certain amount of patience during this period.

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