

**Great Britain Swimming Team
FINA Swimming World Cup
Paris, France
Competition: 17-18 January 2003
Travel: 13-28 January 2003**

Team Staff

Bill Sweetenham (NPD), Nora O'Brien (Team Manager), Ian Turner, Ben Titley, Dave Champion (Coaches), Jodi Cossor, Pat Dunleavy, Dave Fodden, Gary Phillips, (Sports Science/Medicine), Craig Hunter (Advance Party/Observer)

Athletes

Sarah Price, Alison Sheppard, Melanie Marshall, Karen Pickering, Karen Legg, Zoe Baker
Chris Cook, Ian Edmond, Mark Foster, James Gibson, Darren Mew, James Hickman

Dave Richards from the Communications Department attended this meet as press liaison officer.

Date first & final team names confirmed with office (office use only):	10 Dec 2002 & 2 Jan 2003
Date selection letter sent to team from office (office use only):	10 December 2002

ASSEMBLY	Office Response
Flights Good	
Airline/s used: British Airways (International to Paris) Easyjet and Go (Domestic) – assembly for pre-tour camp	
Airport/s used: Birmingham, Paris CDG Glasgow and Edinburgh (domestic assembly)	
Comments (if any - please keep brief): Bus provided for transport from Loughborough to Birmingham Airport was too small for size of team due to extra luggage etc. A larger bus was requested for our return which was subsequently provided.	

KIT & DISTRIBUTION	Office Response
Good	
Comments (if any - please keep brief): It was initially decided that the World Cup kit issue was to be minimal. This proved a problem on the tour which consisted of a short camp and three World Cup Events over 15 days.	All kit decisions made by Swimming Kit Coordinator

ACCOMMODATION	Office Response
Rooms Satisfactory	
Location (from pool and other facilities) Good	
Meals/Food Fair	
General Service Satisfactory	
Accommodation name, address and contact numbers: Novotel Paris Porte de Bagnolet, 1 Avenue de la Republique, Bagnolet – 93177. Tel: +331 49936300. Fax: +331 43608395.	
Comments (if any - please keep brief): The pool was located a 10 minute bus ride from the Novotel. The bus pick up and drop off point for all three official meet hotels (which were situated beside each other) was only a couple of minutes walk from the hotel. The catering was satisfactory to start but got poorer each day. Also, once all the teams arrived meals very overcrowded, until the meal room was changed on day three.	
Transfer from airport to hotel took approx 45 mins.	

COMPETITION & TRAINING VENUE	Office Response
Location (from pool and other facilities) Good	
Facilities Satisfactory	
Access Satisfactory	
Support Services Satisfactory	
Competition Organisation Satisfactory	
Doping Control Yes	
Venue name, address and contact numbers: Stade Natique Georges Vallery, 148 Avenue, Gamberta, Paris	
Comments (if any - please keep brief): Distribution of FINA prize money – Swimmers were given their prize money in cash (US Dollars) immediately following the medal ceremony for their event. Getting hold of results proved problematic, with no federations receiving the official finals results from the last nights competition. There were a lot of restrictions regarding access in the facility as to the areas where you could and could not go on competition days. Area allocated for physio was upstairs away from pool hall.	

ADMINISTRATION	Office Response
Communication with office Excellent	
Information from Organisers Good	
Comments (if any - please keep brief): Although the pool was dated, it was dressed well for competition. Water was provided on poolside for competitors and team officials. Having a large junior team attend the meet along with the seniors proved a great success. Top 3 plus all GB performances from Paris attached GB Team performance Statistics for Europe World Cup Tour attached.	

RESULTS
Full set of official results sent to office by team manager (office use only): Yes / No

RESULTS SUMMARY

Gold	James Hickman	200 Fly, 200 IM
	Alison Sheppard	50 Fs
	Sarah Price	200 Bk, 100 Bk
	Mark Foster	50 Fly, 50 Fs
	Zoe Baker	50 Br
Silver	Alison Sheppard	50 Br
	James Hickman	100 Fly
Bronze	Zoe Baker	100 Br
	Ian Edmond	200 Br
	James Gibson	100 Br
	Alison Sheppard	100 IM
