

## Richmond gymnasts continue their international success competing for Great Britain at the Acrobatic Gymnastics European Championships

Richmond's gymnasts are once again representing Great Britain at the Acrobatic Gymnastics European Championships, following on from their success and a bronze medal at the World Championships.

The European Championships take place from 23<sup>rd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> October in Italy. From Richmond and representing Great Britain are Toby Cooper-Driver & Anisa Arumugam competing as Mixed Pairs (11-17 years), Rex Booth, Jackson, Marco Vidovski & Gethin Davis competing in the Men's Group (11-17 years) Chloe Bartholomow, Charlotte Dawson & Imogen Wainman competing in the Women's Group (12-18 years) and Tegan Wilcock, Kyla Cook & Lola Ernstzen competing as Seniors in the Women's Group.

With all three of the 12-18 Women's Group competing for Team GB for the first time, Charlotte Dawson said: "We are proud of our achievement as we have worked very hard in the gym as well as through Covid lockdowns. We are really excited to go to Italy and represent both our country and our club."

Following on from their bronze medal at the World Championships earlier in the year, Toby Cooper-Driver commented: "We were pleased with our routines at Worlds as we did the best we could do, although we weren't expecting a medal it was so exciting to place 3<sup>rd</sup> in the World!" His Mixed Pair partner, Anisa Arumugam said: "I was really happy with our routines at World's, and we have a chance to do as well at the Europeans."

Tegan Wilcox from the Senior Women's Group said: "World's felt a little different as the audience was made up of just gymnasts due to Covid regulations but when I'm ready to perform, I just zone out the audience, so I'm focussed. We feel a bit more prepared for Europeans as we've been able to train normally in the gym and have some new moves we're excited to compete on the international stage."

Richmond's Head of Acrobatics said: "Off the back of a great experience at the World Championships, we're delighted to have these partnerships selected to compete for Great Britain at the European Championships. Despite all the challenges of the last 18 months we are very proud of what we have achieved so far and are looking forward to our second international competition of 2021."

Keep up to date with the gymnast's progress and watch their breath-taking routines, via their social media channels @gymnasticsrga. To find out how to get involved in gymnastics, visit [www.richmondgymnastics.co.uk](http://www.richmondgymnastics.co.uk)

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