



# Reigning Olympic Champions Charlotte Worthington and Joe Choong among 178 athletes announced for Krakow 2023 European Games

Team GB have selected a squad of 178 athletes to compete in the Kraków-Małopolska 2023 European Games, which are set to take place in and around the Polish city between 21 June to 2 July 2023.

Team GB will compete across 18 Olympic disciplines, with Krakow serving as the 2023 European Championships for eight of these.

Qualification for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games will be on the line for most of the disciplines with direct quota spots available in archery, artistic swimming, boxing, breaking, canoe slalom, diving, modern pentathlon, rugby sevens, shooting and table tennis.

Meanwhile, athletes across badminton, BMX freestyle, fencing, mountain bike, taekwondo and triathlon will be competing for all-important ranking points for Paris 2024 qualification.

The event will mark the first time in history that Team GB have competed in breaking at a senior Games, with B-Boy Karam and B-Boy Sunni both set to take to the floor.

Meanwhile, Ranujo Tomblin will become the first male athlete to represent Team GB in artistic swimming.



In total, the third edition of the European Games will see around 7,000 athletes from 48 European nations compete across a 12-day sporting programme. The Opening Ceremony will take place on Wednesday 21 June at the Henryk Reyman Municipal Stadium, with the Closing Ceremony to return at the same venue on Sunday 2 July.

Nicola Adams, Duncan Scott and Jade Jones were among Team GB's medallists at the inaugural European Games in Baku in 2015, while Sir Jason Kenny, Chelsie Giles and Lauren Price were successful at Minsk 2019.

Nineteen athletes return for their second European Games with Team GB this year, while shooters Amber Rutter (nee Hill) and Seonaid McIntosh, alongside table tennis players Liam Pitchford and Paul Drinkhall, will each be competing at their third.

The 178-strong squad for Krakow 2023 features several Olympic gold medallists, including Charlotte Worthington, Joe Choong, Jade Jones and Joe Clarke, with a total of 32 Tokyo 2020 Olympians among those named.

The delegation will be led by Dr Paul Ford, who reprises his role as Chef de Mission after previously leading the charge at Minsk 2019.

**Ford** said: "It's a huge privilege once again to take such a talented group of athletes to compete against Europe's finest at these Games. Crucially, the 2023 European Games offers several qualification opportunities for Paris, providing a great benchmarking exercise looking ahead to next year. We will focus our support on creating the best performance environment for our athletes as well as fine-tuning our preparations for 2024."

Pentathlete **Joe Choong** said: "I'm really excited to be competing at my first ever European Games. It will be really exciting to get into a multi-sport environment and see athletes from other sports. It's going to be similar to an Olympic experience which has brought me some of my best memories - so I'm really looking forward to it. Becoming Olympic Champion in Tokyo was a dream come true and then last year I got the World Championship title, so the European title would be the icing on the cake!"

Boxer **Charley Davison**, who will be looking to secure qualification for her second Olympic Games while in Krakow, said: "This will be my first European Games, so I want to enjoy every moment and make sure I box to the best of my ability and make sure all the hard work in training pays off. Having been to an Olympics, I have had a taste of what it is like. This makes me strive to get that chance again and this time go one step further and get a medal. I believe I am more than capable of getting myself on that Paris podium, now I have that experience from Tokyo and other international tournaments I've been to in the last few years. The European Games is the first step towards Paris so it will be about getting in the ring, being myself and boxing naturally and then hopefully the qualification will come.



### Team GB at the Kraków-Małopolska 2023 European Games

## **Archery**

Ella Gibson Penny Healey Monty Orton Bryony Pitman Jaspreet Sagoo Alex Wise James Woodgate

### **Artistic Swimming**

Eleanor Blinkhorn Isobel Blinkhorn Millie Costello Beatrice Crass Isobel Davies Cerys Hughes Aimee Lawrence Daniella Lloyd Kate Shortman Robyn Swatman Isabelle Thorpe Ranujo Tomblin

### **Badminton**

Alexander Dunn
Marcus Ellis
Kirsty Gilmour
Adam Hall
Ben Lane
Julie MacPherson
Lauren Smith
Johnnie Torjussen
Ciara Torrance
Sean Vendy

#### **BMX Freestyle**

Declan Brooks
Sasha Pardoe
Holly Pipe
Kieran Reilly
Charlotte Worthington

### **Boxing**

Harris Akbar
Taylor Bevan
Kerry Davis
Charley Davison
Jack Dryden
Rosie Eccles
Elise Glynn
Reese Lynch
Kiaran MacDonald
Delicious Orie
Demie-Jade Resztan
Shona Whitwell
Lewis Williams

### **Breaking**

B-Boy Kid Karam (Karam Singh) B-Boy Sunni (Sunni Brummitt)

## **Canoe Slalom**

Chris Bowers
Adam Burgess
Joe Clarke
Jonny Dickson
Mallory Franklin
James Kettle
Sophie Ogilvie
Phoebe Spicer
Ryan Westley
Kimberley Woods

## Canoe Sprint

Isabel Evans
Bethany Gill
Jonathan Jones
Deborah Kerr
Emily Lewis
Ben Phillips
Katie Reid
Emma Russell
Rebeka Simon

#### **Diving**

Desharne Bent-Ashmeil Robyn Birch Maisie Bond Eden Cheng Ben Cutmore Matthew Dixon Ross Haslam James Heatley Juliette John Robbie Lee Noah Penman Holly-May Prasanto Grace Reid Amy Rollison

## Fencing

Ben Andrews
Kristjan Archer
Kate Beardmore
Yasmin Campbell
Jaimie Cook
James-Andrew Davis
Will Deary
Caitlin Maxwell
Marcus Mepstead
Susan Sica
Carolina Stutchbury
Amelie Tsang
JJ Webb

#### **Modern Pentathlon**

Charlie Brown Kerenza Bryson Joe Choong Sam Curry Charlie Follett Olivia Green Myles Pillage Jess Varley



#### **Mountain Bike**

Annie Last Cameron Mason Cameron Orr

# **Rugby Sevens**

Women:
Ellie Boatman
Abbie Brown
Shona Campbell
Heather Cowell
Megan Jones
Jasmin Joyce
Rhona Lloyd
Isla Norman-Bell
Jade Shekells
Lisa Thompson
Lauren Torley
Emma Uren
Amy Wilson-Hardy

### Men:

James Barden
Kaleem Barreto
Api Bavadra
Alex Davis
Jordan Edmunds
Tom Emery
Robbie Fergusson
Will Homer
Ross McCann
Max McFarland
Freddie Roddick
Morgan Williams
Tom Williams

### **Shooting**

Michael Bargeron
Kristian Callaghan
Matt Coward-Holley
Katie Gleeson
Sam Gowin
Lucy Hall
Aaron Heading
Emily Hibbs
Freddie Killander
Jess Liddon
Ben Llewellin
Seonaid McIntosh
James Miller
Georgina Roberts
Amber Rutter (nee Hill)

### **Sport Climbing**

Names of six sport climbing athletes TBC in due course

### **Table Tennis**

Charlotte Carey Paul Drinkhall Tin-Tin Ho Thomas Jarvis Liam Pitchford Samuel Walker

### **Taekwondo**

Bianca Cook (nee Walkden) Caden Cunningham Phoenix Goodman Jade Jones Rebecca McGowan Jodie McKew Maddison Moore Mohammed Nour Aaliyah Powell Zack Sarsoza Bradly Sinden Lauren Williams

#### **Triathlon**

Sophie Alden Connor Bentley Barclay Izzard Olivia Matthias Sian Rainsley Hamish Reilly