

lucy chittenden
age 18
fleet - hampshire
triathlon



athlete profile

Lucy has had a great 2009 season. Her first race was in the New Forest, and was also her first Olympic distance race. Lucy had only just turned 18, and although technically still a junior and mainly racing Sprint distances, chose to race the longer Olympic distance as well. After a chilly start she came home as 2nd lady, and 1st in category.

Lucy consistently finished in the top 5 in junior races seeing her beaten invariably by the final year Juniors, whereas Lucy still has one year left as a Junior. Her overall ranking in the British Triathlon Super Series is 7th (5th after 4 races but she was not allowed to compete in final race) and her ranking as a Junior is 5th.

Lucy then competed at the Junior Elite Duathlon Championships in Loughborough. Despite focussing on triathlon and spending the winter working on her swim, Lucy pulled out a big effort on the bike to catch the leaders and then formed a 3 person break that pulled away from the other athletes. Lucy came home in second place, behind the defending Junior Duathlon World Champion! She was then selected to compete in the European Championships in Budapest, so Lucy was off on her first overseas race and first race with "GB" written on her race kit! She finished a creditable 14th and hopefully the experience of travelling and racing with the GB squad will stand her in good stead for her triathlon future.

The World Class Performance Administrator for the British Triathlon Federation says; "Lucy is progressing well from youth success to competing in more senior races and getting good results in higher level competition. She is disciplined in following her coaching plans and takes responsibility for her own goals".

key achievements

- 2008 Today's Runner X Country – Senior Women 4th
- 2008 Corus Elite Triathlon – 10th
- European Relay Team Qualifier – 4th
- 2008 London Triathlon Junior Elite Sprint – Bronze
- 2008 National Junior Championships - Bronze
- 2007 National Championships Youth Supersprint – 5th
- 2009 National Duathlon Championships - 2nd
- 2009 New Forest Triathlon Olympic 2nd female
- 2009 European Duathlon Championships , Budapest - 14th
- Blenheim Junior Elite Sprint - 5th
- 2009 Windsor Elite Olympic - 7th
- National Sprint Championships - 9th
- London Triathlon Sprint - 5th
- 2009 British Junior Championships Sprint - 5th
- 2009 Swanage Tri Sprint - 1st
- 2009 Hart Tri Sprint – 1st

aims

- To get into the Great Britain Squad
- Olympic and World Gold medals



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