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It was a huge shock to hear about Katerina's death and we know that many have felt a very deep sense of loss. In the brief time she has been with us, Katerina has developed and grown her squad and made a great impact at the club. It is clear that she touched the lives of an enormous number of rowers. Our thoughts go out to her family, friends and all those who miss her.

Marlow Rowing Club

Matt, Beth and I have had the pleasure of knowing Kat at Maidenhead and at Marlow RC's. In this last year she coached me in the Marlow J16's. After a difficult year, Kat was instrumental in inspiring me and the squad to a Bronze at Brit Champs and Henley Qualification. Kat kindly invited Dad to join her in the Umpire boat at Henley to watch me and I know it was the highlight of the year for him. Kat always had a smile on her face and her commitment to the our success was clear for everyone to see. It was a pleasure getting to know Kat better over these last few years, she will be missed.

Charlie and the Sinnott Family

Katerina did so much for the young people at the club. We are all grateful for her life and contribution.

Mark Heath

Katerina taught me to row and was so kind and nice. I am so very sorry to learn such sad news and send you my heartfelt condolences.. I will be thinking of her and you.. Ralph

Kat was one of the most inspiring people I have ever known. She always believed in me and supported me and brought so much joy and dedication to everything she did. How special for Katerina to have spent her life impacting and inspiring children in such a positive way. Sending love and strength to you all.
Zay
The Stirlings

Although I did not get a chance to get to know Katerina that well, I could see how dedicated she was to her Juniors. The debriefs she wrote after races were full of enthusiasm and encouragement and you could tell how proud she was of her boys. Katerina was always very appreciative of the work I did in the background and I enjoyed our chats at the Club. I will miss seeing her out on the river on her launch.

Monika Bagga (Junior Admin)

I had the pleasure of coaching with Katerina a few times and could see the profound and positive impact she had on the boys she coached at Marlow. She will be remembered fondly by all those she coached.

Her commitment to the juniors could be seen on and off the water with all the work she did behind the scenes to support the club, her athletes and their families.

Dave & Lai Ching Brindle

Kat was such a brilliant coach for us and made me always want to do my very best for her whether running, in the gym or on the water, no matter how cold it was.

She was so dedicated to our training, even answering our WhatsApp messages at all times of the day and night, every day of the week! Our Bronze medal at BritChamps was amazing, I will treasure the photo of our squad together with Kat and our medals. Kat, I miss you, think of you and will never forget all the good times we had. Jamie Chaplin

Kat was everything that you'd want in a coach; dedicated, reliable, encouraging, supportive, knowledgeable. We'll miss her.

Sam Long & Family

Kat brought so much dedication and expertise to our squad.

I remember when she was asked whether training would be going ahead on a day with poor weather, she said "To know if the weather is too bad for training, put on your gear, go training, then you know when you get back". This really showed her love for the sport and her determination for us to do well.

I will miss you Kat and I will always remember the good times we had.

I send my deepest condolences to you all.

Joel Lewis

Katerina was one of the most incredible people I have ever met, and also the first proper coach I had for rowing. Her kindness and patience helped improve so much over a difficult year and I can't thank her enough. My deepest condolences for her family and friends.

Nick W

We were all delighted when Katerina arrived at Marlow. She brought a wealth of experience with some serious rowing credentials and completely transformed the junior boys squad into a serious, thriving and competitive team.

There is so much we will miss about Katerina - her stylish coaching attire, her attention to every detail, her exacting focus on the science of good technique, her absolute commitment and support to the boys, and most of all her easy and genuine smile.

We are very grateful for the time she spent at Marlow and our thoughts are with the whole family.

Niall, Mike and Victoria Parsons

Just simply to say Thank you.

Richard Budge

I was with Katerina at Maidenhead and then when she came over to Marlow too. She has influenced my life in some big ways over the years. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family, she will be dearly missed by us as a club and a family.
Emma Rayner

Katerina coached me at both Maidenhead and Marlow, over the last three years. Katerina was the most considerate, driven and passionate person I have had the honour of knowing, Her impact as a coach, mentor and friend will never be forgotten and is sorely missed. My condolences and thoughts are with Katerina's family.
Ethan Towers

Katerina was an amazing woman and coach. She was dedicated, tough and kind and transformed the boys' squad in her short time with us at Marlow. I'm grateful both my boys had the opportunity to be coached by her. My heart goes out to her family at this sad time. Claire Sweeney

Kat will be so greatly missed by so many.. Izzy absolutely loved her as a coach and as someone to simply look up to and be inspired by. Kat had an amazing ability to be both highly professional in all that she did, and yet also so warm and approachable. Her smile, dedication and absolute passion for junior rowing will be a lasting legacy. We are so grateful for all that she did for Izzy and will miss her enormously. Our thoughts and prayers are with Valery and the family.
FIONA SELLERS



OUR SINCEREST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF EKATERINA. SHE WAS A VERY SPECIAL WOMAN, A RELIABLE FRIEND, AND INSPIRING AND DEDICATED COACH. SHE WILL BE MISSED AND REMEMBERED BY MANY. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS WITH YOU. ALEXANDRE, OLESIA AND DANIEL GVOZD

Katerina was an excellent coach, she coached me at both Maidenhead and Marlow rowing club. I really appreciated how she kept us motivated and encouraged us to train throughout both lockdowns. I really enjoyed how she helped me progress in rowing by taking the time to talk through what I needed to do to better my rowing; and I am very thankful for that.

Cameron Scott

I'll never forget my first encounter with Kat; she wrote a message to her new charges @ Marlow underlining the importance of hard work, discipline and a willingness to succeed. It had a profound impact on my young son, Matthew - which I am sure will stay with him. A great legacy from a great lady. May she rest in peace and watch over all the young rowers who look to follow in her footsteps.

Mike Reed

Katerina was such a professional - dedicated, competent and collaborative. Quietly unassuming, but tenacious underneath, she created a wonderful atmosphere in the junior boys' squad and inspired respect from all who worked with her. Above all, I will miss her kindness and her winning smile.

Ruth Naylor (Marlow RC Captain)



Kat has had a massive impact on my rowing and life, I don't know where I would be if it wasn't for her coaching, motivation, constant positivity and support. She was like a second mum for so many at Marlow 6 days a week.

Tom Furlonger

We are all feeling a huge sense of loss with Kat's untimely departure from our lives. We are just thankful for the time that we were able to have with Kat and the fact that we were able to get to know her at all - Kat's passion for rowing and her dedication and love for her rowing crews was obvious to see. We feel the deepest sorrow for her family, she has gone far too soon.

Marc and Anna Furlonger

MONTY WAS SO LUCKY TO HAVE KAT. KAT WAS SUCH AN AMAZING COACH ALWAYS GIVING 100% DEDICATION & SUPPORT NO MATTER THE WEATHER OR TIME (EVEN LATE AT NIGHT MONTY WOULD SAY "IT'S FINE KAT'S ALWAYS ONLINE & ALWAYS REPLIES" THAT WAS SO TRUE, KAT WAS ALWAYS THERE FOR THEM BE IT ON HER ELECTRIC SCOOTER OR ON THE BOAT BEHIND GIVING WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT. KAT REALLY CARED. THROUGHOUT LOCKDOWN GIVING TRAINING PLANS, KEEPING HER SQUAD FULLY MOTIVATED TO KEEP GOING WHICH THEY DID THROUGH HER CONSTANT COMMITMENT. KAT WAS SO MUCH MORE THAN A COACH WE ALL THOUGHT THE WORLD OF HER AND WE MISS HER VERY MUCH
SAL AND DOM SANDERS



Kat meant so much to me along with everyone from Marlow Rowing Club. Her determination and dedication was inspiring. There wasn't a single day where Kat wasn't smiling, making everyone happy and pushing us to our maximum to bring out the best of us. Kat will be truly missed and I will always be grateful that I was lucky enough to have her as my coach.

Monty Sanders



I was shocked to hear about the passing of Kat, such a compassionate coach and one who understood all rowers in their own way, she helped me progress so much through Maidenhead, to Marlow and now the future, many thanks for all she has done and sad to see her go .
Ed Rayner

We are so saddened by Katerina's sudden passing. She was such a dedicated and inspiring coach with such a gentle nature, but an amazing ability to get the kids to work hard & do what she wanted them to! We will remember Katerina for her incredible kindness & patience with both Ollie & Sylvie, going above & beyond her role as a rowing coach. We will always be grateful that she was instrumental in helping Ollie in particular achieve some amazing results in rowing. We will miss Kat's lovely smile & warm greeting whenever we saw her & send all our love & prayers to her family & loved ones.
Carine, Chris, Ollie & Sylvie Evans

We had the privilege of knowing Katerina for a very short time. She was a genuinely lovely lady and has made a lasting impression on our son Joe, as I'm sure she has on many people.

Please accept our deepest condolences.

The Fisher family

I was very saddened to hear about the passing of Kat. She was a lovely coach and I always enjoyed talking to her. She will be missed greatly at Marlow
Amelie Hamilton WJ18

Katerina was an incredible influence on my life, supporting me both in my rowing and personally for 3 years. She was always such a dedicated coach and the loveliest person. I owe so much to Kat and I will miss her greatly.
Ollie Evans



Kat has been a massive inspiration to me. I had always thought that she was an amazing coach but now I realise just how lucky I am to have ever been coached by her, and I am eternally grateful. Whether we won or lost she always made us feel good about ourselves and always gave us words of encouragement that will resonate with me forever. Please accept my deepest condolences.

Brandon Murphy

Such an inspirational, encouraging, generous lady. We are so grateful for the time we had, with Katerina. Great experience for us, as parents too. Memories we will treasure, always. Thank you for sharing your wife / mother, with all of us xxxx
Natasha + Phillip Towers