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Dear Swimmer / Parent

Re: Lincolnshire ASA Talent Pathway Squad

It's the end of March, the Lincolnshire County Championships have concluded, our swimmers being especially successful – view the reports – superb achievements based on the commitment of the swimmers and a major input from our Club Coach Lynn; a huge well done to all.

So now we move into April, what have we to look forward to, in addition to lighter evenings, well those who were at the Counties may have noticed the new County Coach (dressed in Lincolnshire Green) Marc Foster (no not the Mark Foster, Olympic Swimmer/strictly come dancing - but Lincolnshire's own). He has been appointed by Lincolnshire ASA to develop Lincolnshire's Talent Pathway Squad for competitive swimming, two squads (one for the North and the other for the South of the county) where like minded and able swimmers can train together. This is based on an ASA model where our future swimming talent has the opportunity to grow and develop into future Great Britain swimmers.

You may ask who will be swimming in this Lincs ASA Talent Pathway Squad, well they will be Lincolnshire's more able swimmers, selected by the County Coach using the following criteria:

- Swimmers aged between 11 – 16 (others at the discretion of the County Coach);
- Have good all round technical ability;
- Swimmers to be within 5% of District Times;
- BAGCAT swimmers must compete in all BAGCAT categories at County Level;
- Commit to the ethos of 'train to train' with like minded athletes;
- Maintain a log book;
- Attendance – Under 13yrs – minimum of 5/6 sessions + 1 land session per week;
Over 13yrs – minimum 6/7 sessions + 1 land session per week;
The number of sessions can be made up with a combination of sessions in the swimmers home club programme as well as any training sessions that are available with the Talent Pathway Squad.
Currently the Saturday morning session at Cranwell will be compulsory.
- Attend those Squad Sessions identified by the County Coach and your Club Coach;

Marc has used the Lincs County Champs to finalise his selection and he is issuing letters to swimmers and parents this week. He will then be holding a meeting with those parents selected from our club on the evening of 30 March to answer any further questions.

If you have any questions on the Lincolnshire Talent Pathway squad please contact either Lynn or me.

Best Regards

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Chairman DSC – on behalf of the DSC Committee and Lincolnshire ASA