



ASA's Regional Talent Programme for 2009-2010

The English Programmes in conjunction with the Region will be responsible for the joint delivery of the regions Level 1 Age Group, Level Youth & Open Water Development Camps for the 2009-10 swimming season. The camps are for age group and youth swimmers and will primarily be selected from the 2009 National Age Group/Youth Championships in July/August 2009. If places are still available then times will be considered from the 2009 regional championships.

Level 1 Age Group Programme

Level 1 Age Group Camps will be for athletes aged 12/13 years (ages as of Nationals 09) and will be run as 3 x one-day camps.

The camps will held on one day over the dates:

4th October 2009 'Duel in the Pool' at Gloucester TBC

21st November 2009 at Coventry International Sports Centre, Coventry

3rd January 2010 at Coventry International Sports Centre, Coventry

Selection:

A maximum of 24 swimmers will be invited onto the camps. Athletes will be identified by a member of the England Talent Development team who will then consult with the regional coaches' forum before selections are finalised. The first 3 BAGCAT finishers from the region in each age group for males and females at the National Age Group Championships will gain automatic selection provided they have competed in a minimum of 3 categories at nationals. The remaining 12 places will be awarded on 'one off' performances and/or England Talent team identifications.

Level 2 Youth Programme

Level 2 Camps will be focussing on athletes aged 14/15 years (ages as of Nationals 09) and will run as 2 x 2 day camps and one 'Duel in the Pool' against the South West Region

The camps will be held over the following dates:

4th October 2009 'Duel in the Pool' at Gloucester TBC

21st & 22nd November 2009 at Warwick School, Warwick

2nd & 3rd January 2010 at Coventry International Sports Centre, Coventry

Selection:

A maximum of 20 swimmers will be invited onto this programme. Athletes will be identified by a member of the England Talent Development team who will then consult with the regional coaches' forum before selections are finalised. All places will be awarded on 'one off' performances at the National Age Group or Youth Championships and/or England Talent team identifications.

Open Water Programme

The open water programme will focus on athletes aged 14 to 17 years (ages at nationals 09) and will run as 3 x 1 day camps with the 3rd day being an open water race.

The camps will be held over the following dates:

28th November 2009 at Corby

3rd January 2010 at Corby

11th July at Bosworth Water (open water competition)

A maximum of 12 swimmers will be invited onto this programme. All places will be awarded on 'one off' performances at the National Age Group or Youth Championships on either the 800m or 1500m freestyle events (Olympic events will take priority)

Dave Legge

England Talent Delivery Coordinator

E-mail: dave.legge@swimming.org – Tel: 07795 958463