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His Excellency The Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey
The Bailiff of Jersey



Development Performance Pathway Group

The following Paper dated October 13, 2021 sets out a proposal for additional potential selection of athletes from a new Development Performance Pathway Group at the end of the Extended Team Selection Process.

The Paper was presented to a CGAJ Council Meeting held on October 12, 2021 and to a meeting of the CGAJ Validation Group held October 13, 2021.

Both the CGAJ Validation Group and the CGAJ Council approved the proposal and agreed that the Paper be attached to and form part of the Team Development Process 2022 paper and posted on the Association website.

New DEVELOPMENT Performance Pathway Group.

Most sports are still feeling the devastating effects of Covid, limiting the ability of athletes to compete and achieve results and performances that would support their selection for the Jersey Team at the Birmingham 2022 Games (B2022).

Working with its member sports, the CGAJ has already agreed that its selection period should be extended by eight months from October 1, 2021 and increased from one to three selection phases, the first taking place this month and then at the end of March and May 2022.

Whilst this initiative will certainly help athletes starved of competition to have a better chance of achieving selection, it may not be enough on its own to ensure that we are able to fill all of the team places that are available to the CGAJ for B2022.

Once again, working with its member sports, the CGAJ has now agreed a second initiative to ensure Jersey is fully represented at B2022. CGAJ has agreed to set up a development group of “younger” athletes, whose performances and progress will be monitored and tracked from October 1st 2021 through till May 30th 2022.

By October 1st 2021, each member sport (not the athletes!), was asked to officially register onto the Development Pathway, details of those of their younger athletes who they considered perhaps unlikely to achieve the PI for their event, but who they consider to have significant development potential. Sports were asked to provide the following details;

1. Name
2. DOB
3. Full contact details
4. Personal best(s) performances (or equivalent) in their chosen event(s). If possible, their top 3 results.

If any athlete on the Development Pathway achieves the PI for their event at any time during the extended qualifying period, they may be put forward for validation and selection in the normal way at the end of the appropriate selection phase.

AFTER the SENIOR pathway athletes’ performances have been seen and discussed by Validation Group at the end of Phase 3 (May 30th 2022) **and AFTER final selections have been agreed**, the Validation Group will then know the exact number of team places still available, (if any) and will consider whether or not it is appropriate to fill any vacant places from this Development Pathway Group.

The results of the Development Pathway Group, achieved during the extended qualifying period ended May 30, 2022, will be reviewed based on direct comparison to PI for their event, the number and quality of events and the athlete’s rate of improvement. The Validation Group may fill any vacant team places for B2022 by selecting any athlete registered on the Development Pathway Group that they consider appropriate.

The Validation Group is not obliged to fill all vacant team places if they do not consider it appropriate to do so. No appeals will be considered against any decision by the Validation Group not to select any athlete on the Development Pathway.

- NB Swimming have submitted relay PIs and performances by swimmers in the Development Pathway Group may be taken into account when looking at team selection.

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