

## Coaching Announcement from the Otters Committee

April 2022

The Committee are sorry to announce that David Dennis has decided to step back as Head Coach for the Otters. In his almost 7 years in the role David has worked tirelessly to help our swimmers achieve some amazing results, proving that small clubs can achieve big results too.

We are so grateful for all that David has done for the club as Head Coach and very pleased to say that he will continue to coach the 7-8pm sessions on Mondays and Wednesdays. It has been a pleasure to work with him as Head Coach and we would like to thank him on behalf of all our swimmers, their families, and the Committee, both past and present.

Sadly, Charlie Galley has also decided to step back from coaching. He joined Otters as a volunteer coach when his own children started swimming with us and has helped numerous children since then to develop and enjoy their time in the pool. Huge thanks to Charlie for all his work and enthusiasm from everyone involved with Otters. We hope he enjoys having his Friday nights back!

We are in the process of recruiting a new Head Coach and hope to have news to share with you on that front soon.

See below for a message from David.

Best wishes from the Committee

### Message from David Dennis

*Dear Members,*

*As some of you may have already heard, I have decided to resign as the Head Coach from Okehampton Otters. I informed the committee of this a few weeks ago, with my last day in the role 8th April.*

*This was a difficult decision and one I have taken in the best interests of the club. I would like to thank Karen Adams, Jo Dymond, Charlie Galley, David and Nick Bowles for all their support, they have been fantastic and really helped the club move forward. There have also been a lot of wonderful ex committee members and coaches, who deserve a lot of credit.*

*Coach Charlie will be stopping, I'm sure like me many of you will be sorry to hear this. Charlie has been a wonderful volunteer for the club as a coach and a committee member. So I hope he will get the send off he deserves on the 8th April.*

*I will be continuing as a coach on a Monday and Wednesday 7-8pm.*

*I have loved every minute of my time leading the coaching and have meet some amazing people. I sure the club will continue to go from strength to strength.*

*All the best Otters!*

*Kind Regards*

*David*