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Julie Bradshaw (second right) with her Humber swim challenge

Record-breaking swimmer Julie Bradshaw is gearing up for her next record attempt next month.

Dr Bradshaw, from Layton, is aiming to be the first person to use butterfly to swim 12 miles down the River Humber, raising money Rainbows Hospice for Children in the East Midlands.

She has been forced to cancel the event several times due to poor weather.

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Dr. Julie Bradshaw MBE (yellow coat) with Pete May, Dr Susan Ractliffe and Susan Taylor (far right). CNF

'Madfish' Julie breaks another record

LOUGHBOROUGH'S very own 'Madfish' Dr Julie Bradshaw MBE has set another record – this time with her Medley team.

Never before had a Medley been attempted on England's largest lake, Windermere until the Loughborough councillor, who is nicknamed 'Madfish' because of all her extraordinary swimming feats since 1978, and her team covered the 21 miles, each swimmer taking an hour each in rotation.

They started off on backstroke with Dr Susan Ractliffe, followed by Pete May doing breaststroke then Julie on her 'favourite' stroke, the butterfly, and Susan Taylor completed the rotation with frontcrawl.

They were escorted by crew Chris Green and Beverley Thomas, both of themselves competent swimmers.

For Julie the Windermere Medley relay added to a string of swimming records accumulated over the years and provided a warm up for her next Butterfly World Record attempt on the River Humber in August 2013, weather permitting.

To sponsor Julie, visit www.getset4success.co. uk