



## Captain Leonard Hutchinson, Honor Pilot, Great Britain, 2004



Second from left with IMSHOF Honoree Rosemary George  
Videos (please help if you can find any)

**Captain Leonard Hutchinson** piloted more than 100 Channel swims for swimmers from over the world, including Brazil, Pakistan, Southern Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe), Iceland, Argentina,

He piloted record-breaking English Channel swims including those of IMSHOF Honorees: Brojan Das in 1961 in 10 hours and 35 minutes (France to England – held until 1964) and Baron Abilio Couto in 1959 in 12 hours and 49 minutes (England to France – held until 1960)

Records set by other swimmers included 2 in 1961: in June the earliest date the English Channel had ever been swum (held until 1990) and the youngest ever to swim from England to France (held until 1972).

[Expanded Biography \(Openwaterpedia\)](#)