



**Rosemary George, Honor Swimmer, Great Britain,
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Personal Website (None known)

Rosemary George swam from England to France in 1961 in 21 hours and 35 minutes. In 1962, she swam in Lake Ohrid, Yugoslavia in 14 hours. In 1962, she swam 35 km (21.7 miles) from Jebel to Lattakia in Syria in 12 hours and 30 minutes. In 1963, 40 km (24.8 miles) from Montazza to Alexandria in Egypt in 15 hours, and 44 km (27.3 miles) in the Suez Canal in Egypt in 16 hours, Capri to Naples in 13 hours and 5 minutes and 44 km in Lake Ohrid. In 1964 and 1965 she swam five marathons in the Middle East. In 1967, she swam from France to England in 17 hours and 50 minutes to become the third woman to swim the English Channel in both directions

In 1969, she trained IMSHOF Honoree Jon Erikson, then the youngest male to swim the English Channel. In 1976, she trained Jon again when he broke his IMSHOF Honoree Ted Erikson's (his father) double-crossing English Channel record with a time of 30 hours. In 1981, she trained Jon for the first triple-crossing of the English Channel in 38 hours and 27 minutes. She also trained a number of other successful English Channel swimmers including Father Robert Manning, the only Catholic priest to cross the English Channel in a time of 18 hours and 15 minutes in 1984.

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

[Long Swims Database \(Marathon Swimmers Federation\)](#)