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Selection Ballot

The deadline for submitting new nominations passed on 15 September. Many thanks to all involved. Final edits are in progress and ballots will go to the 50+ selectors in October with results announced during November. The process is described here: [Process | IMSHOF](#)

Don't stop if you are mid-way thru a new nomination – you'll get a jump on the Class of 2025 process!

Cancun (May 2024) Ceremony Update

IMSHOF planning with the local host continues – the draft schedule is as follows (with some deciding to take public tours/relax on the beach for some of the weekend):

- Friday (May 17) many will arrive early, and casual dinners will be organized. Watch for invitations closer to the day.
- Saturday (May 18) 1.9 km and 3.8 km swims, swim discussion (open to the public), Congress (for ceremony attendees), Induction & Awards Dinner, and after dinner drinks
- Sunday (May 19) 10km swim

The following have confirmed their intention to attend:

Beth Yudovin

Ned Denison - flights booked

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Julie Ridge
Forrest Nelson
Jaime Lomelín Gavaldón
Vojislav Mijić
Marcia Cleveland
Loren King
Dan Simonelli

Nora Toledano Cadena
Antonio Argüelles Díaz-González
Elizabeth Fry
Sally Anne Minty-Gravett, MBE - flights booked
Suzanne Heim-Bowen
Madhu Nagaraja (Executive Committee)

YouTube Changes

IMSHOF consolidated to just one YouTube channel and added more professional looking thumbnails and end cards/subscription link. Please visit at <https://www.youtube.com/@infoimshof3830> to review the content and please subscribe so you are notified when new videos are posted.

New Videos

- [Honoree Susanne Guesdon](#) – career
- [Sophie Etheridge](#) – longest English Channel solo (with a physical disability)
- [Colm Walsh](#) – Fastnet Rock solo (with a physical disability)

SeaGoddess

The Sea Goddess is official trophy of the International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame. It evokes the sea's qualities of movement, rhythm, and temperament in a timeless portrait of a woman. One side is stormy and tumultuous, the other, pacific, and serene - overall mystery and beauty. All inducted swimmers and contributors are named on the plaques on the Sea Goddess.

Honoree Marcia Cleveland (Class of 2020) attended the induction of her close friend Dr. Marcy MacDonald, DPM for the 2005 ceremony in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Pictured is Marcia's daughter Julia with Sea Goddess. Also pictured is Marcia who purchased a smaller version of the trophy for her home. There are a few left in stock (only for Honorees) – contact Laurie

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IMSHOF Electronic Library - Filing Proposal

This is a proposal. Input, ideas and comments are welcome – email info@imshof.org

Purpose: Establish an electronic library to house IMSHOF documents, pictures and videos that will be open to the public. The vast majority of information about the sport will continue to be housed in other locations: IMSHOF website (including the shared Honoree spreadsheet – at the bottom of page [Biography Notes | IMSHOF](#) – so you can run your own analyses, Openwaterpedia, MSF’s longswims, organizational websites (Honor organizations and more), media libraries, WOWSA articles, etc.

Decision to use “common files”: as opposed to a content management software engine. Content management engines such as SharePoint have a potential license cost, upgrade cost, inertia in filling in mandatory index fields, long term survivability and complex user issues (which will lessen usage).

Primary file decision: – will be based on organizations and events. Example – a picture of

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Honoree David Alleva, PhD winning the Atlantic City race in 1989 will be filed in the Atlantic City folder. Ideally the name of the file will include the words: Alleva (no titles, accents, forenames), Atlantic City and 1989. Materials filed in the Individual Honoree folder will be general. Part of this logic is driven by the reality that pictures/articles (related to events) often list several Honorees.

How to search: go directly to organizations and events, pick a folder and then subfolder – and search by year and/or Honoree name (often just surname). Then go to the Honoree folder and either browse or search on key words.

Evolution of the Folder, File, Indexing and Searching Plan: will happen as current materials are named (and renamed), new materials are obtained, and more decisions made on filing. Future user feedback will help dictate the evolution of the file plan.

Decision process: this proposal was shared with the IMSHOF Executive Committee plus some key IMSHOF Honoree researchers including Steven Muñatones; Evan Morrison; Julian Critchlow; Dr. Tim Johnson, DPS, PE; Bryan Finlay, PhD; Julie Ridge; and Penny Lee Dean. We are now sharing this proposal with the wider community – to get more input.

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