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New IMSHOF Website - Update

IMSHOF's new website has been live since 18th April. The address remains the same:
<http://IMSHOF.org> with recent changes:

56 Biographies have been updated based on YOUR input – many thanks.

Added Honorees who completed swims: Lac St. Jean and Santa Fe-Coronda plus added Honoree finishers for the Ijsselmeer (in their biography) and North Channel (in the biography for the Irish Long Distance Swimming Association).

Awards and Induction Ceremonies: for previous years added more attendees, booklets and pictures

Your checks, ideas on missing/future information and better photos are still very welcome (now and forever in the future).

Honoree Video/Interviews and Birthdays

Honorees Antonio Argüelles Díaz-González, Ned Denison and Steven Muñatones have been conducting interviews with Honorees for the past months. These are shown on the [IMSHOF Facebook page](#) and WOWSA with links to YouTube. Interviews since the last newsletter (click to access the hyperlink) and a few more include:

Cameron Bellamy	Britta Kamrau	Marc Newman
Sandra Bucha	Ted Keenan (Son)	Claudio Plit
Karen Burton	Irene van der Laan	Mervyn Sharp
David Stevens Clark	Carlos Larriera	Igor de Souza
Albert Coward	Thomas Lurz	Tomi Stefanovski
Baron Abilio Couto (Grandson)	Midmar Mile	Petar Stoychev
Ted Erikson	Vojislav Mijić	Martin Strel
Rosemary George	Rohan Dattatrey More	William Wallace
Hallucinations (2 Honorees)	Steven Muñatones	Dave Whyte
Dr. Harry Huffaker		

This is part of a project to capture (for the IMSHOF database) audio/video link of as many Honorees as possible. We have more than 200 so far out of 298 – remembering that some lived prior to film/video availability. Volunteers wanted to help with some research – reply if you have interest and a bit of time.

****Please feel free to share any posts on the IMSHOF Facebook page to your friends.

Please also let us know if you have a story and would like to be included or have any interesting audio/video. More Honorees are scheduled for interviews in July/August and will be posted to the IMSHOF Facebook page.

IMSHOF have also started posting birthday greetings (with a link to the biography) on the IMSHOF Facebook page for Honorees who have made the date available publicly. If you wish to opt out or wish to supply this information – please let us know.

Old Marathon Records > World Champions

Thank you for all who supplied old records recently – special thanks to Daniel Couto and Nasser Elshazly. Please watch this interview to be inspired by a family keeping the record of an Honoree: [Baron Abilio Couto \(Grandson\)](#)

Our next project is to assemble the list of Honoree “World Champions”. For the past few years, we have FINA records for single event World Championships and Olympics (all medals listed). In addition, there are World Championships based on points over multiple competitions: Grand Prix, World Cup and Ultramarathon. These are noted on the attached spreadsheet.:

Before FINA’s involvement it gets complicated - professional female and male plus amateur female and male. And, noting when Greta Andersen, Shelley Taylor-Smith, Penny Lee Dean (and other

women?) won an overall championship! We have also tried to note amateur, female and professional (to clarify).

Earlier World Championships determined by points over multiple competitions:

International Marathon Swimming Association (IMSA) from 1991

International Long Distance Swimming Federation (ILDSA) between 1954 and 1991

World Professional Marathon Swimming Federation (WPMSF) between 1964 and 1991

Earlier World Championships determined by a single competition:

World Long Distance Swimming (single event) Championship (WLDSC) between 1978 and 1988

The four below can certainly be questioned (so please give your input). To be a World Championship in these years the event needed a competitive/international field and significant prize money (all four below meet these criteria) – then ideally some promotion as a “World Championship”

English Channel Races (Daily Mail 1950-1952 and Butlins 1953-1959)

Lac St. Jean (we think some of the races before 1970 were promoted as World Championships – previous years – anyone know?)

Canadian National Exhibition (CNE 1963 and 1964 were promoted as World Championships – we are unsure about previous years – anyone know?)

Wrigley Ocean Marathon Race (Catalina Channel) in 1927 – what do YOU think – in hindsight was this actually a World Championship?

See the attached spreadsheet and reply to this newsletter with comments. If the name of a World Champion Honoree is missing – special apology (it will be rectified).



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Name	Wrigley Catalina Race	CNE	Lac St-Jean	English Channel Races	ILDSF (1954-1991)	WPMSF (1964-1991)	WLDSC	IMSA (1991)	FINA World Cup	FINA Grand Prix	FINA World Champ	Olympic 10k
Abdellatif Abou Heif				1955		1964, 1965, 1968						
Aleksey Akatyev										1998 25k	1998 25k	
David Alleva							1990 Capri					
Greta Andersen				1957, 1958 Overall								
Paul Asmuth						1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1988						
Damián Blaum										2013		
Peggy Büchse											2001 10km	
Karen Burton								Female: 1996, 1997				
Alfredo Camarero				1959								
Baron Abílio Couto					Amateur 1961, 1963, 1965, 1967, 1973, 1975							
Ana Marcela Cunha									2010, 2012, 2014	2011, 2015, 2017	2011, 2015, 2017, 2019 25k	
Melissa Cunningham											1994 25k	
Silvia Beatríz Dalotto								Female: 1990				

Brojen Das				Male:1958								
Penny Lee Dean						1979 Overall ??	1978 Windermere (overall)					
Edith van Dijk											2000, 2005 10k and 2002, 2003, 2005 25k	
Captain Nabil Elshazly					Amateur: 1961 then Pro: 1962, 1963, 1964							
Nasser Elshazly					Amateur: 1976 then Pro: 1977, 1983							
Pilar Geijo										2010, 2011, 2014, 2015, 2019		
Spiros Gianniotis											2011, 2013 10k	2016 Silver
Martina Grimaldi											2010 10k and 2013 25k	2012 Bronze
Trent Grimsey										2012		
Chad Hundebly											1991 25k	
Horacio Iglesias						1967, 1969, 1971, 1972						
Larisa Dmitriyevna Ilchenko											2006, 2007, 2008 10k MORE?	2008 Gold
Helge Jensen												
Britta Kamrau											2002, 2014 10k and 2004 25k	

John Kinsella						several?						
Yuri Kudinov											2002, 2003, 2007 25k	
Stéphane Lecat									1996, 1997, 1999			
Cliff Lumsdon, CM		1949, 1950, 1952, 1953, 1955, 1959										
Thomas Lurz											2004, 2006 10k and 2013 25k	2008 Bronze, 2012 Silver
Angela Maurer									2011		2006, 2007, 2009 25k	
Steven Muñatones							1982 Lake Windermere					
Marvin "Duke" Nelson		1930										
Marc Newman							Amateur: 1986 Lake Windermere and 1988 Lake Geneva					
Cynthia Nicholas, CM						Female: 1976						
Judith de Nijs						Female: 1964, 1965, 1966, 1968, 1970, 1971						
Esther Nuñez Morera											2007, 2012	
Diana Nyad						Female: 1974						
Poliana Okimoto									2010		2013 10k	2016 Brionze

Tom Park				1956 * not completed								
Baptista Pereira				1953								
Claudio Plit						probably?						
Shadia El Rageb						Female: 1971, 1972						
Hassan Abdel Rheim				1950								
Éva Risztov												2012 Gold
Veljko Rogošić					1971, 1972, 1973, 1974							
Johannes "Johan" Schans						1970						
Marty Sinn						Female: 1963						
Tomi Stefanovski										??		
Petar Stoychev								2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006	2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011		2011 25k	
Greg Streppel											1994 25k	
Shelley Taylor-Smith						1991 Overall		Several ??			1991 25k another?	
Patty Thompson						Female: 1969						
Giulio Travaglio						1966						
Ernest Vierkoetter		1927										
Christof Wandratsch						??						

