



Feng Yao-Hsien, Honor Swimmer, China, 1973



Videos (please help if you can find any)

Feng Yao-Hsien was the first IMSHOF Honoree from China. At age 36, in 1964, Feng Yao-Hsein swam 85 km in the Zi Ya River in China. In 1965, he swam 156 km in the same river to set a Chinese endurance record. At the age of 37 on 8 August 1965, Feng swam 161 km in 61 hours in the Zi Ya River to again break the Chinese endurance record. This followed Mao's celebrated swimming feat in 1956 in the Yangtze River.

Ten years later, in 1966, a major annual swim "Crossing-the- Yangtzi" was started with hundreds of thousands of swimmers entering the water.

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

Mandarin Translation

冯耀贤是第一位来自中国的IMSHOF获奖者。1964年，36岁的冯耀善在中国紫牙河游了85公里。1965年，他在同一条河流中游了156公里，创造了中国耐力纪录。1965年8月8日，37岁的冯在紫崖江中游了61公里，再次打破了中国耐力纪录。这是继毛主席1956年在长江上著名的游泳壮举之后。

十年后的1966年，一场盛大的年度游泳“穿越长江”开始了，数十万游泳者入水。