



## John Sigmund, Honor Swimmer, United States of America, 1965



Videos (please help if you can find any)

**John Sigmund** set the longest river swim record swimming 463.4 km down the Yellowstone River from Billings to Glendive in 77 hours and 30 minutes in 1939. In 1940 he broke the record by completing the 470 km swim down the Mississippi River from St. Louis to Caruthersville in 89 hours and 46 minutes. This record held until 1981. John's swims were widely covered by the media at the time.

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

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