



## James Doty, Honor Swimmer, United States of America, 2007



Personal Website (None known)

**James Doty** swam across or the length of most New Hampshire lakes and swam on the professional circuit in World Professional Marathon Swimming Association races in Chicago, La Tuque, Chicoutimi and Rhode Island, along with two English Channel attempts. He was first to swim: 23 miles around Cape Ann, 18 miles from South Boston to Graves Light (return), 17 miles from Nantasket Beach around Graves Light into Revere and 12 miles from Monhegan Island to Port Clyde. He completed a 2-way Boston Light – one on his record setting 18 Boston Light swims. He established the International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame Davids-Wheeler Award in 1968, re-started the Boston Light Swim in 1978 and founded the New England Marathon Swimming Association in 1978 as a charity organization to study water conditions, water safety and promote swimming. Jim received The Irving Davids/Captain Roger W. Wheeler Memorial Award from the International Swimming Hall of Fame in 2002 for his contribution to the administration of open water swimming.

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