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# **Celebrating Our Past & Our Future**

#### A message from the Chairman - Chris Guesdon

What a growing and magnificent sport is the marathon of swimming. Capturing world headlines and involving more and more the life of everyday swimmers no matter where on earth.

The IMSHOF salutes our marathon swimmers around the world who continue to achieve some incredible results...

Read the Chairman's address here.



# Submit Your Nomination Now for the IMSHOF 2017 Ballot.

#### Ned Denison interviews the Flying Dutchman - Herman Willemse - IMSHOF Honoree 1968 and ISHOF Honoree 2008.

The Flying Dutchman, legend, champion, author of two books , gentlemen and the first President of the World Professional Marathon Swimming Federation (predecessor of the IMSHOF).



About the early swimming days, the move to open water and the open water swimming community in the early days... (Herman, pointing in this old photograph.)

Herman earned 13 Dutch championships in the pool - 100 to 1,500 meters. With no indoor pool in his hometown, winter training involved an hour bicycle trip there and back...Read the complete interview.

#### More from the Flying Dutchman here.

#### In honor of the IMSHOF 53rd anniversary, Ned interviews Marty Sinn- Honoree Class of 1963.

Mary Martha Sinn (Marty Sinn) is an American open water swimmer who was inducted in the International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame in 1963 as an Honour Swimmer.



Early swimming days- the move to open water and the open water swimming community in those early days...

Marty started competing at age ten. She reminds us that "back in the day" that there were very limited opportunities for girls to compete.

Read the interview here.

#### 2016 Award Ceremony Tickets and Hotel Reservations Now Open

Launching off the success of last year's IMSHOF Award Ceremony, the 2016 event will be held in San Pedro, Los Angeles, California, USA on the evening of <u>Friday, 4th</u> of <u>November</u> commencing at 5:30pm in the grand ballroom of the San Pedro, Doubletree Hotel.



Make your hotel reservation early as this hotel is popular. I MSHOF has secured a limited block of discounted rooms.

## Apply Hotel Room Discount Code IMS

A full-service two-course dinner plus complimentary wine, beer and soft drinks will be offered at **\$50.00 per ticket**.

### Purchase Your Tickets Online Here

IMSHOF has secured a limited number of hotel rooms for Friday and Saturday. This hotel fills up quickly. It's highly recommended to reserve your room early.

#### **Group Bookings are Welcome**

The weekend of November 4,5 & 6 will bring together honorees, members, family and friends of <u>IMSHOF</u>, <u>ISHOF</u>, <u>Catalina Channel Swimming Federation</u>, the Santa Barbara Channel Swimming Federation and <u>The Marathon Swimmers Federation</u>.

The IMSHOF Award Ceremony will be in the Madeo Ballroom of the San Pedro Doubletree Hotel, California. Dinner tables accommodate 8-10 guests. If you would like to book a table please contact <u>Beth Yudovin.</u>

#### Go to the IMSHOF website for event details.







