



May Looney, Honor Swimmer, United States of America, 1984



May on the left

Video: [Swim 1 -3rd place](#)

May Looney participated in 10 of the 4.8 km, 8.05 km and 16.1 km Canadian National Exhibition races between 1930-1937 and 1947-1948 when it was considered the premier marathon swimming event for women of that era (note: the race was not held between 1938-1946). May finished in the top five in 9 of 10 races, 1st in 1934; 2nd in 1935, 1936 and 1948; and 3rd in 1932, 1937 and 1947.

She coached her niece who won the 1947 and 1948 Canadian National Exhibition swims.

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