



## Joe Grossman, Honor Administrator, United States of America, 1979



Joe greasing up IMSHOF Honoree Greta Andersen

Videos (please help if you can find any)

**Joe Grossman** was involved in all aspects of marathon swimming administration, organization, and promotion. He was instrumental in the formation and was a leader of the World Professional Marathon Swimming Association. Joe traveled worldwide as a public information officer and took these opportunities to promote marathon swimming and to lay the foundation to unify marathon swimming programs. He helped increase the prize money for the swimmers and to develop equitable reward systems.

He compiled extensive marathon swimming information and his files were given to IMSHOF Honoree Dale Petranec after his death. These eventually were published in the book: *A History of Marathon Swimming*.

Joe received The Irving Davids/Captain Roger W. Wheeler Memorial Award from the International Swimming Hall of Fame in 1970 for his contribution to the administration of open water swimming.

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