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Kevin Murphy to receive the 2023 Poseidon Award



FORT LAUDERDALE –

The International Swimming Hall of Fame (ISHOF) will recognize Kevin Murphy for his high-level achievement in marathon swimming with the 2023 Poseidon Award. The Award will be presented to Kevin during the International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame (IMSHOF) Induction and Award Ceremony on Saturday May 6th, 2023 in New York City. The Poseidon Award is presented annually by the International Swimming Hall of Fame to the organization or individual for high level achievement from personal effort or initiative in a field of endeavor that contributes to the performance of marathon swimmers or to the development and status of Marathon Swimming to the world.

This year's award honors Kevin Murphy. He was one of the most prolific epic solo swimmers of his generation. He swam 34 crossings of the English Channel (male record). These include 3 two-way crossings (one of these was an unsuccessful three-way attempt stopped at 52 hours). He was the first to complete the Original Triple Crown: (English, North and Bristol Channels) and eleventh to complete the Triple Crown (English and Catalina Channels and Around Manhattan). Kevin was the first to swim the North Channel three times (held the male speed record for 43 years) and completed other major swims including Lake Balaton (Hungary) 75.5 km in 43 hours 15 minutes and Loch Ness.

Kevin also has given back to the sport over 30 years as an Administrator for both the English Channel organizations. For the past 8 years he has administered, coached and piloted with The Kings Swimmers. Finally, Kevin is a gifted presenter (his profession was radio journalism) and representative of the sport and he has appeared in many print media stories and radio/television and documentary films

He was inducted as an Honor Swimmer in the International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame (IMSHOF) in 1971. In 2009 he was inducted into the International Swimming Hall of Fame.

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