



Channel Swimming & Piloting Federation, Honor Organization, Great Britain, 2013



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Channel Swimming & Piloting Federation (CS&PF) is one of the two governing bodies for those individuals or relays that want to cross the English Channel under traditional rules, the most recognized marathon in the world. The CS&PF is the newest organization for English Channel swimming is recognized and approved by the British Maritime and Coastguard Agency, and the French coastguard. Its website links to the comprehensive list of all the English Channel swims since 1875.

When so many people devote so much time and energy and spend so many resources in chasing their dream of crossing the English Channel, the Channel Swimming & Piloting Federation faces profound responsibilities. With the fickle weather and all the myriad things that can go wrong with any channel swim, the CS&PF does so many things right in managing its responsibilities and dealing with successes and failures, triumphs and disappointments. Dealing with people from different backgrounds and cultures, setting standards, certifying swims, making judgment calls, coordinating everything. The volunteers are faced with significant responsibilities throughout the season. And it just works, a tribute to the organization and everyone who endeavors to create, support and follow the CS&PF.

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