



Tom Blower, Honor Swimmer, Great Britain, 1964



Personal Website - (None known)

Tom Blower was the first to swim the North Channel in 1947 in 15 hours and 31 minutes. He made three successful English Channel crossings. In 1937, he swam from Cape Griz Nez, France to Abbots Cliff, England in 13 hours and 31 minutes. In 1948, he swam from Archcliffe Beach, making him second person to swim the English Channel both ways in 15 hours and 26 minutes. In 1951, he swam the first leg of an abandoned 2-way in 18 hours and 42 minutes.

He was also the Morcambe Cross Bay Championship winner in 1935, 1936, 1937 and 1938 and was nicknamed 'Torpedo Tom'

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

[Long Swims Database \(Marathon Swimmers Federation\)](#)