



Reg Brickell Sr., Honor Pilot, Great Britain, 2003



Reg Brickell Sr. on right congratulating Honoree Des Renford, MBE
Personal Website - (None known)

Reg Brickell Sr. was one of the most successful English Channel pilots for 30 years until his death in 1982. He piloted 83 solo swims of which 39 were successful. He also took 12 one-way relays and the first two-way relay, all of which were successful. Among those he piloted into the record books were IMSHOF Honorees Penny Lee Dean, Helge Jensen, Tina Bischoff and Lynne Cox. He was also the pilot for most of IMSHOF Honoree Des Renford, MBE's King of the Channel® swims and taught his sons Reg Brickell, Jr. and Ray Brickell the trade. Both of his sons are also IMSHOF Honorees, an outstanding tribute and legacy for the family and the sport.

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

Long Swims Database (Marathon Swimmers Federation) - no entry expected