



James Doty, Honor Swimmer, United States of America, 2007



James Doty swam across or the length of most New Hampshire lakes and swam on the professional circuit in World Professional Marathon Swimming Association races in Chicago, La Tuque, Chicoutimi and Rhode Island, along with two English Channel attempts. He established the International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame Davids-Wheeler Award in 1968, re-started the Boston Light Swim in 1978 and founded the New England Marathon Swimming Association in 1978 as a charity organization to study water conditions, water safety and promote swimming. Jim received The Irving Davids/Captain Roger W. Wheeler Memorial Award from the International Swimming Hall of Fame in 2002 for his contribution to the administration of open water swimming.

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