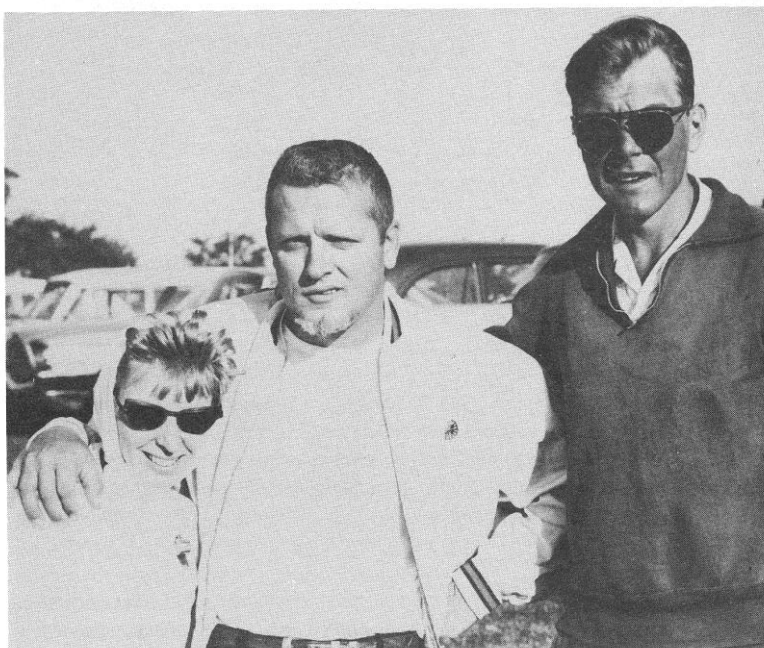




Conrad Wennerberg, Honor Administrator, United States of America, 1977



Ted Erikson about one hour before the start of the 1961 Lake Michigan swim. He set a world's record of forty-four miles. He is flanked by his wife and coach. Courtesy Louis Waitkus.

On right with IMSHOF Honoree Ted Erikson center

Personal Website - (None known)

Conrad Wennerberg is best known for his authoritative book, *Wind, Waves and Sunburn: A Brief History of Marathon Swimming* one of the most definitive works on marathon swimming. He swam over 12,874K (8,000 miles) while training with his athletes, including IMSHOF Honorees Ted Erikson and Dennis Matuch. He amassed the largest file on marathon swimming in existence and shared the information with the World Professional Swimming Federation and the International Swimming Hall of Fame. He was influential in creating the International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame. He received The Irving Davids/Captain Roger W. Wheeler Memorial Award from the International Swimming Hall of Fame in 1977 for his contribution to the administration of open water swimming and the Buck Dawson Authors Award - Honorable Mention.

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