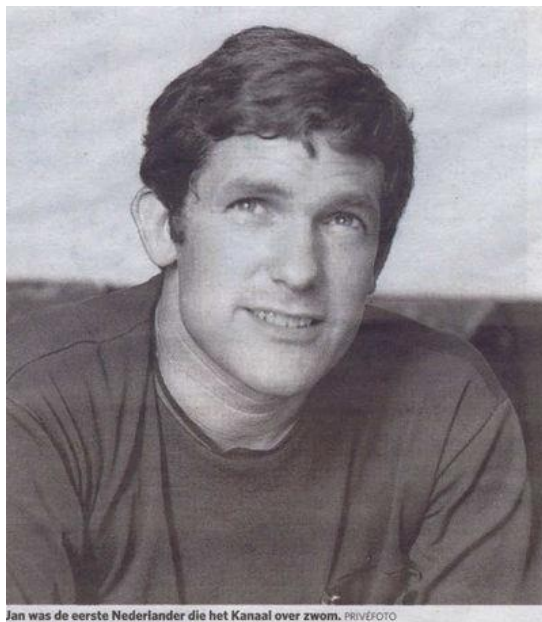




Jan van Scheijndel, Honor Swimmer, Netherlands, 1985



Jan was de eerste Nederlander die het Kanaal over zwom. PRIVÉFOTO

Personal Website (None known)

Jan van Scheijndel in 1969 was the second person from Holland to swim across the English Channel in 12 hours and 47 minutes and was the Windermere International champion in 1968. He also swam the Traversée internationale du lac St-Jean four times: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 8th place finishes. His winning time in 1972 was 10 hours, 48 minutes and 43 seconds and his fastest time was 8 hours, 53 minutes and 36 seconds in 1970. In 1965, Jan started the New Year's Dive (Nieuwjaarsduik in Dutch) in The Hague with 7 people. The event now draws over 10,000 participants.

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

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

Dutch Translation

Jan van Scheijndel was in 1969 de tweede Nederlander die in 12 uur en 47 minuten het Engelse Kanaal overgestoken en was de Windermere International kampioen in 1968. Hij zwom ook vier keer in de Traversée internationale du lac St-Jean: 1e, 2e, 3e en 8e plaats. Zijn winnende tijd in 1972 was 10 uur 48 minuten en 43 seconden en zijn snelste tijd was 8 uur 53 minuten en 36 seconden in 1970. In 1965 begon Jan met 7 personen aan de Nieuwjaarsduik in Den Haag. Het evenement trekt nu meer dan 10.000 deelnemers.