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AQUATIC NEWS

With last year's winners Hassan abd el Rohim and Eileen Penton already there, the field of twenty from ten nations for this year's "Daily Mail" channel swim, parade at the Folkestone pool.

Twenty-two-year-old Eileen Penton draws for her pilot.

Fifty-four-year-old Ned Barnie who finished 5th last year, has just swum the Channel for practice - like Philip Rising of Rotherham, who swam from France to England in just under 16 hours. Now with the chart of your course tell us about your swim, Mr. Rising.

"Well, I felt quite comfortable. I swum within my strength for most of the way, but, of course, it's obvious that a swim like this is a team event and no-one can get across unless they have a first class pilot. I was very fortunate in having Mr. Harry Sharp of Folkestone and he did a grand job."

And here's Abou Heif, one of Egypt's nine champions:

"What's your feeling after your successful swim?"

(Heif) "I feel very happy. I did something for my king, my country and for myself."

CARDIFF

Over at Roath Park Lake, Cardiff, forty-two start for the Women's Annual Taff swim. It's twice round an oval course and back to where you started, one-and-a-half miles all told. With them safely on their way, 124 men start for their race over the same course. The greatest Welsh swimming event of the year, it used to be held on the River Taff - hence the name. Now it's time for the first girl home and here she is.

Here's the finish of the men's race.

And here are the winners!