

SELECTED COMPETITORS FOR THE  
DAILY MAIL CROSS CHANNEL SWIMMING RACE 1951

Argentina

ANTONIO ABERTONDO - Buenos Aires. Age: 32.

Came 8th in last year's Daily Mail Channel Swimming Race (Time: 16 hrs. 18 mins.). Many long-distance records.

ENRIQUETA DUARTE - Buenos Aires. Age: 22.

In swimming pool: Argentina's Records over 200, 400, 500 and 800 m.  
free - 4th place against men in river in a distance of 18 km.  
and 1st place against women - 1st place in a race of 5, 10 and 12 km. in Mar del Plata.

Canada

WINNIE FRANCES ROACH (Mrs. Lueszler) - Willowdale, Ont. Age: 25.

1944: National A.A.U. Long-Distance Amateur Champion (Women)

1947: 2nd in World's Pro. Womens Swim (5 miles)

1948: 3rd in World's Pro. Womens Swim

1949: 2nd in same race.

Denmark

JENNY KAMMERSGAARD - Copenhagen. Age: 32.

Kattagat, Seeland to Jutland - 1937.

Baltic Sea, Denmark to Germany - 1938.

Channel crossing in 16 hrs. 27 mins. in Daily Mail Race - 1950.

Egypt

HASSAN ABD EL REHIM - Cairo. Age: 42.

Has swum Channel in both directions. Winner of last year's Daily Mail race in record time of 10 hrs. 49 mins.

MAREEH HASSAN HAMMAD - Cairo. Age: 34.

Channel Crossing from Cap Gris Nez to St. Margarets Bay in August, 1949.

Came third in Daily Mail Cross Channel Swimming Race 1950 (Time: 12 hrs. 4 mins.)

France

ALAIN LOUIS BOMBARD - Boulogne. Age: 26.  
1947: 20 kms. in Brittany - 1949: 35 kms. in Brittany  
1950: Boulogne to Wissant and back, non-stop (43 kms.)  
Also attempted crossing the Channel on 5th September, (18 kms.in 6 hr)  
gave up due to cold).

ROGER LE MORVAN - Paris. Age: 27.  
Ex-champion of France for 1,500 and 400 metres.  
Champion of crossing of Paris and "Coup de Noël"  
2nd in Daily Mail Race across Channel, 1950 (11 hrs. 3 mins.)(record)

RAPHAËL MORAND - Nantes. Age: 33.  
1937-42: Champion of the Atlantic for all distances.  
1943-6: Champion of Anjou 400-1,500 metres and long distance  
Winner of following crossings: Nantes (4 times), St. Nazaire  
(3 times), Angers (twice), Viort (once) - winner of race from  
Island of Les Evens, 5 kms. off Atlantic coast, to La Baule  
(runner-up twice in 1950) - 6th of 20 selected swimmers  
(2nd Frenchman) in the 1947 International Swimming Race across  
Lake Lemman - Has been captaining the Neptune Club Nantais  
Water Polo Team for 15 years - Applied last year for the Daily  
Mail Race but was too late.

Great Britain

EILEEN FENTON - Dewsbury, Yorks. Age: 29.  
Woman victor in 1950 Daily Mail Cross Channel Race -  
(Time: 15 hrs. 31 mins.)

BRENDA FISHER - Grimsby, Lincs. Age: 23.  
1947: 2nd to sister, Jessie, in Morecambe Cross Bay Champ(3 hr.30m.)  
1948: Won Morecambe Bay Champ. in 2 hrs. 37 mins. (record time  
since 1914)  
Is Secretary to Arthur Drewry, President of Football League.

JENNY EILEEN JAMES - Pontypridd, Glam. Age: 23.  
1949: Bristol Channel, Sully, Glam. to Weston Super Mare, 10 hrs.  
1950: Bristol Channel, Weston super Mare to Penarth, 8 hr. 21 mins.  
(record)

WILLIAM EDWARD ("NED") BARNIE - Portobello, Scotland. Age: 54.  
Came 5th in last year's Daily Mail Channel Race in 14 hrs. 45 mins.  
1st Scotsman ever to swim Channel.

Great Britain (Cont.)

GODFREY EDWARD CHAPMAN - Weymouth, Dorset. Age: 21.  
Army (Egypt) 1949: 880 yards Freestyle Champion -  
Winner of Portland to Weymouth Race, 1950 -  
Winner Christmas Morning Cross-Harbour Open Handicap -  
Winner all Weymouth Club events, 100, 880, 2,000, 6,000 yards.

Netherlands

JAN VAN HEMSBERGEN - Haarlem. Age: 37.  
Since 1929, winner of many races.  
1931-'3: Netherland's National Champion, 400 and 1,500 metres  
and champion Amstel Race (2 kms.) -  
1948 and '49: Trained for Channel repeatedly swimming 15 kms.  
1950: Swam 40 kms. in 12½ hours - uses no grease

Greece

MAJOR JASON ZIRGANOS - Athens: Age: 41.  
Twice crossed Channel, France to England.  
1949: in 18 hrs. 35 mins.  
1950: In Daily Mail Race in 16 hrs. 17 mins.  
Many long-distance races. This year also intends swimming the  
length of Windermere and crossing Channel from London down Thames  
estuary to France.

Peru

DANIEL CARPIO - Buenos Aires, Argentina. Age: 39.  
Swam Channel in 1947 in 14 hrs. 46 mins. (same time as Ned Barnie)

Sweden

LARS BERTIL WÄRLE - Karlskrona. Age: 31.  
Many Swedish records, including 12 miles in 5 hrs. 3 mins.  
between Copenhagen and Malmö. Last year failed in Daily Mail  
Channel Race after 7 hrs. 43 mins.

SALLY BAUER - Malmö. Age: 39 (not to be disclosed)  
1939: Swam Channel in 15 hrs. 22 mins.  
1939: Kattagatt between Sealand and Jutland, 36 miles in 17 hrs. 5m.  
Beat Jenny Kammergaard's record by 12 hours  
1939: Sweden to Finland, 25 miles in 13 hrs. 6 mins. Has trained  
for Channel all winter.