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3rd November, 1964.

Dear Member,

ANNUAL REPORTS 1964.

I [illegible] activities of the Association.

Membership has increased to 275 composed of 30 Life Members, and 245 Annual Members. Our 19 Regional Representatives are spread throughout England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, and by appointment this year we include Mr. Duncan Bennett for New Zealand.

All organisations promoting major long distance swims in Great Britain are affiliated.

The season has once again been one of outstanding interest and progress for individual members as well as for the association. Yet another Championship has been inaugurated - the Northern Ireland, Rathlin Island to Ballycastle Swim, on a 5 mile course, organised by the Ballycastle U.D.C. in conjunction with your Association.

Pride of place amongst the individual achievements of our members is the swim by Barry Watson, of Bingley, from France to England in the fastest time ever recorded for amateur or professional, [illegible] reducing the previous record by nearly an hour. A civic reception was given to Barry on his return to Bingley, when he was driven down the main street in an open car, accompanied by one of Yorkshire's leading Brass Bands and the bulk of Bingley's population.

To Gregory Schofield, of Weymouth, also go our hearty congratulations on his successful crossing, the hard way, England to France, in 15 hrs. 35 mins. Gregory, at 20, is one of our youngest Channel swimmers and I believe that he has still to reach peak form.

The Association's finances, like its membership and other activities, has maintained a steady and healthy increase.

Since the attached reports of our Respective Officers, Championship and Swim.Hon. Secretaries cover our major activities, I am satisfied to content myself with reporting on individual achievements and smaller items which may not be noted under any other heading.

[illegible] Swims.

Derwentwater. (two-way)

Derek Gill.	Bradford.	5.30.(Rcd)
John A.Heapy.	Macclesfield.	4.19.

Coniston.

Ian A.Thompson.	Warrington.	3.51.
Arthur Williams.	Warrington.	4.5.
David Sykes.	Huddersfield.	3.57.
Robt. W.Keating.	Warrington.	3.20.
Brenda Sherratt.	Macclesfield.	4.50.
Colin Proctor.	Halifax.	2.37.23.
Sue. Shallcross.	Warrington.	3.52.
John Taylor.	Bolton.	3.41.
Brenda Evans.	Middlesbro'.	2.35.(Rcd)

Galway Bay.

Margaret Erridge.	Portsmouth.	7.25.--

Bristol Channel.

Cmdr. C.G.Forsberg.	Bath.	5.40.

English Channel.

Barry Watson.	Bingley.	9.55 (Rcd)	France to England.
Gregory Schofield.	Weymouth.	15.35.	England to France.

Windermere.

Graham Symmonds.	Coventry.	5.25.[illegible]
Duncan Bennett.	New Z'nd.	6.[illegible]
Kevin Murphy.	Harrow.	6.2[illegible]
Brian G.Morris.	Prestb'y.	13.30.[illegible]
Cmdr.G.Forsberg.	Bath.	6.17.[illegible]
Robt.W.Keating.	Warrington.	8.56[illegible]
Barry Watson.	Bingley.	5.25 [illegible]

Windermere(two-way)

Philip Kaye.	Huddersfield.	17.10.[illegible]

Ullswater.

Bryan Finlay.	Coventry.	4.31.26. (Breast stroke record)

Bala.(two way)

Barry Watson.	Bingley.	3.27.

Championship Score Board.

Elaine Gray.	(8)	Bala one-way. Bala two-way. Trentham. A.S.A. Torbay. Windermere. W'mere Cross Lake. Schelde International.
Peter Hatfield.	(5)	Bala one way. Bala two way. Trentham. Whitby. Windermere Cross Lake.
Brenda Evans.	(3)	Morecambe Inshore. Morecambe Bay. Whitby.
Kendall Mellor.	(2)	Morecambe Bay. Ballycastle
Barry Watson.	(1)	Windermere.
Norman Trusty.	(1)	Torbay.
Derek Turner.	(1)	Fleetwood to Morecambe.
A.J.Moorey.	(1)	Fairway Buoy.
D.Mace.	(1)	Poole.
Jean Bartlett.	(1)	Poole.
Mair Leonard.	(1)	Swansea.
Ron Shackleton.	(1)	Morecambe Inshore.

Juniors.

Colin Proctor.	(1)	Whitby.
Kevin Murphy.	(1)	Bala.
June Birchall.	(1)	Bala.
Gillian Renwick.	(1)	Whitby.

An outstanding runner-up.
June Hanby at Windermere [illegible]

[illegible] Swam by a Visitor.
Duncan Bennett from New Zealand swam Windermere.

The most promising junior swimmers.
Brian Morris (12) and Kevin Murphy (15) both completed Windermere. June Birchall (12) did exceedingly well at Bala.

Association Ties.
Price 13/6d, black Terylene with upper part of a swimmer (As in Association's Badge) and the letters B.L.D.S.A. in gold, in repeated pattern. A really first class tie. From Keith Seymour, 13, Hazelhurst Road. Bradford 9.

Metal Lapel Badges.
Price 5/-. from your Hon. Treasurer, G.Trevor Smith, 30, Oak Tree Terrace, Lepton, Huddersfield.

[illegible] Badges.
Available only to members who have completed the Windermere course, or served two years on the B.L.D.S.A. Executive committee, or who, in the opinion of your Executive, has merited the wearing of the Badge. Price £1 from your Hon. Treasurer. Hand made, wire embroidered Badges from Keith Seymour. (see "Ties")

Annual Dinner at Morecambe.
We expect a good attendance judging by the number of tickets already taken by members and friends, but we can still find room for a few late applicants. Write immediately to Mr. Jack Brown, 30, Acre Moss Lane, Morecambe. Tel. 10.

Marriages.
Our very best wishes to Brian Dove; Bertha Brookbank (formerly Inshore Swim Hon. Sec.) now Mrs. Jack Sharples; Margaret Kissoch (one of our first Pilot Life Savers) now Mrs. John Mallinson; to Angus Smith (Swim Convenor for the Double Tay Swim) and to our other members variously reported elsewhere in these reports.

Births.
Hearty congrat's to Ian and Mrs. Thompson of Warrington. See Warrington L.D.S.C. Report.

Anticipated.
Ah....you'd only be "fishing."

Kiddies Corner.
Although the Association caters chiefly for adults, and it was only in 1961 that we held our first Junior Championships, we have always had a number of junior members. A number of these have been non-walking, non-talking, non-swimming members when they first joined. Our Association's first Junior member joined when only a few weeks old, in the first year of the Association's existence. Your Hon. Secretary has some personal pleasure in recording the fact that Alison J.Slater (7 years) has passed the Gold Personal Survival test of the [illegible] and has taken part in the Yorkshire Age Group Championships.

(Kiddies Corner - continued)

Kim Dixon (age 10) daughter of Margaret Feather, swam 1 mile for a Club Certificate in September, temp. 60F, fresh water, good crawl all the way. Some possibility of Margaret and family going to Melbourne in near future. Very best wishes from all of us Margaret, if this is so.

Y.A.S.A. Certificate of Recognition.

This certificate is to be presented to Barry Watson in recognition of his Channel swim. So far as I know, this is the first time such a certificate has been awarded to a long distance swimmer, and will be presented at the Y.A.S.A. A.G.M. in January, 1965. Barry has been nominated by your Assoc'n for the Yorkshire "Swimmer of the Year" Henry Dixon Trophy.

Honour's Book.

This was presented by our President and is entered-up by our Hon. Treasurer Trevor Smith. It will be available for inspection at the Annual Dinner.

Relay Races.

Channel relay races have hit the headlines this year, and whilst this is largely a matter for the Channel Swimming Association, the B.L.D.S.A. also have a keen interest in the matter. It should be possible to draft out rules governing all such long distance swims, which must be strictly adhered to, otherwise there is bound to be confusion.

Derwentwater Relay Race.

In conjunction with the Bradford & District L.D.S.C.'s Derwentwater Swim, three B.L.D.S.A. members tested the course and set up an inaugural record. Subject to confirmation at the A.G.M. I propose that the Association recognise and approve the institution of a relay or team race in Derwentwater. The course to be from the Lodore Hotel Steamer Jetty (300 yards from the Lodore Hotel) to the last boating jetty (concrete) at Keswick, a distance of approximately 2 miles. That there be 3 swimmers in a team. That the start, take-over and finish be made by touching any part of either jetty. Each swimmer must complete the full distance between the two jetties subject to B.L.D.S.A. Rules governing Championships, and in addition may not stand at any time during the swim. In view of the present trend of equality between the sexes, (and the fact that female long distance swimmers are of such high quality, although few in number) that a team be composed of members of either sex or of one sex, and that only the fastest time, regardless of sex shall be recognised as a record. This shall only apply when a team is racing against the clock, and not racing against another team. In the latter case A.S.A. Rules must apply. That the members of a team must live within a 15 mile radius and must be bona fide members of the Club they represent. That the members of such a team must have been members of the Club they represent for a period of at least two months prior to the swim. That a time recorded for such a swim must be recorded in hours, minutes and seconds, and that any claim for a record time must reduce the previous record by at least 60 seconds. B.L.D.S.A. requirements as for timing on Individual swims ("Recognition of Swim" forms) must be complied with.

The course runs close to the road, there are a number of vantage points from which a swim can be seen at close quarters, and the start and finish can be seen in comfort, without trespassing or scrambling over the countryside. Ample good boats are available at very low cost in comparison with other Lakes. The boat proprietors are amicably disposed to the idea. Ample car parking accommodation at both ends. Beautiful scenery, camping and caravanning grounds close by. Cafe and toilets within a few yards of the Keswick jetty. Hot showers available at the Keswick U.D.C. Camping site, if required.

The time recorded by the Bradford team - 3 hrs. 28 mins was on a slightly different course than that described above, two laps were made against a strong opposing wind, and one of the laps was the first of an individual two-way swim by Barry Watson. Team:- Barry Watson, Colin Proctor, John K.Slater.

This course, in my opinion, has everything to recommend it for a team race and a grand day out.

Morecambe Relay Race.

I heartily endorse Mr. Jack Brown's views on the race being held in the Stadium, early in the season, giving swimmers the opportunity of an early work out in competition, under identical conditions each year. Personal assessments of form at this stage can do much to determine the swimmers choice of events for the year. This would be a grand event for the spectators, who otherwise see nothing but the finish, should the race be held in the Bay.

Welcome to Warrington Swimming.
Details of this new Club appear later in the reports. Ian Thompson tells me that there is the possibility of a Championship at Pickmere Lake, "about 20 minutes run from Warrington."

Junior Championship.
From Miss Stephanie Acheal of Bradford comes the suggestion of a Junior Championship at Lytham St. Annes. In the boating lake, ½ mile long, very safe, perimeter path, ample boats and the usual facilities. The suggestion is being taken up with the Local Council and I hope to have further details at the A.G.M.

Our Most Senior Marathoner.
Commander C.Gerald Forsbery, O.B.E. R.N. renders sterling service in his articles in "The Swimming Times" monthly, obtainable from your newsagent. The Commander has held, and still holds, quite a number of real marathon records, and still makes or breaks 'em. Down went the Bristol Channel record by 27 minutes this year, 10 miles in 5 hrs. 40 mins. Up went another notch on C.G.F's Windermere yardstick. Not satisfied with his time in the Windermere Championship, he returned the following week and reduced his time by an hour and a half. This doesn't set up a record time, but it does set up a record in that he has completed this course ten times since 1955.

Well done Ireland.
At last we have had the pleasure of welcoming two first class swimmers from across the water. John Earls became the first Irishman to swim Torbay, and Jimmy Gratton became the first Irishman to swim Windermere. We shall certainly look forward to welcoming these two grand swimmers next year to any and all our Championships. With the Windermere International in 1966, we shall surely see the Emerald Isle well represented.

Welcome back.
Willy van Rysel. We occasionally lose a competitive member to the professional ranks, and I think that this is the first time we have been able to welcome one back as an amateur into our competitions. Willy van Rysel lost her amateur status when, after spending a considerable amount of money on channel swims, she entered the professional channel race. Miss Rysel, in addition to a number of swims in this country and abroad, held the Windermere Ladies Record in 1955, 6 hrs. 50 mins. This year, after a long absence, she has returned with zest to take part in many of our Championships, successfully completing them all with the exception of the Windermere Championship. It isn't easy to start again, but Willy has great enthusiasm to "Get with it" again, and certainly proved herself.

Association Handbook.
Each Championship, Club or organising body to be responsible for submitting information and to bear the cost of publication in relation to the amount of space actually taken by them. Obviously there must be uniformity in the publication, the material supplied must be factual and a record of events that have occurred and conditions that apply. It is intended to produce the Handbook in the Tenth year of our anniversary, i.e. in 1966. A further communication on this subject will be addressed to all concerned in the near future. Meantime, perhaps the proposal could be tentatively placed before the appropriate committees.

Dr. Baddeley.H.
B.L.D.S.A. Medical Adviser. We are very pleased to learn that our M.A. has finally decided not to emmigrate, although this may well mean that the formation of an Australian Branch of the B.L.D.S.A. is not yet to be. During the year, Dr. Baddeley has kindly supplied me with a consignment of COMPLAN. This has been sampled by quite a number of members, and in fact some have almost lived on it. It is difficult to assess any results from its use, but Derek Gill and Colin Proctor have a high regard for it and have consumed mounds of it during the last two years. A look at the record of these two swimmers must surely be sufficient to encourage all marathoneers to "Go thou and consume likewise." I think there is no shadow of doubt about it, it's good stuff.

Christmas Swim at Todmorden.
Actually this will be a New Year Swim, come on and join in the first event of the New Year. The swim is in aid of the Todmorden Swimming Bath Appeal Fund, and will be held at Lee Dam, near Todmorden, on Sunday the 3rd January, 1965. Our H.Q. for the swim will be the local Tavern, "The Dog and Partridge" only 100 yards from the Dam, where rooms will be provided for meeting, changing and for refreshments and the presentation of trophies and replicas afterwards. In the four previous swims we have been well supported by [illegible] members.

(Christmas Swim at Todmorden - continued)
Television and National Press have given excellent publicity. Loyal members will be [illegible] hospitality [illegible] to see [illegible] had ice [illegible] 5" [illegible] are provided. It is interesting to note that four swimmers who have taken part in these ice breaking expeditions have gone on to swim the channel - Dorothy Perkins, Derek Turner, Kendall Mellor and Barry Watson. For further details please write to B.L.D.S.A. Life member Mrs. Betty Sutcliffe, Hillcrest, Castle Lane, Todmorden. Yks. as soon as possible.

Addition to the "Marriages" & "Births" item. On checking I find that I omitted to to mention the happy arrival of a baby girl to Norman and Mrs. Trusty, and our hearty congrat's to Susan Lynch, the Ladies Windermere Champion 1962, on her marriage.

Any mistakes ?
If you can spot any mistakes (other than typographical etc.) or omissions, please let me know. Certain information is extracted from these reports for inclusion in the "Honours Book" and is also relied upon by newspapers, periodicals and authors, members and non-members, as being accurate. If there is no mention of a particular swim or [illegible] which you [illegible] be your fault [illegible] My thanks to all members who did in fact send me information for inclusion in these reports.

THE LAKE DISTRICT SOCIAL AND ENTERTAINMENTS SOCIETY.
To our great sorrow, the society had to be disbanded. Veronica flew off to be an Air Hostess, 'Dot' disappeared. An occasional letter from Veronica indicates all is well and that she wishes to be remembered to all her webb-footed friends.

Hospital Bulletin. During the season several of our members have been 'laid-up', in 'dry-dock'. William Anderson, our Pilot Life Saver Scheme Hon. Sec. Alison Greaves, former Cross Lake Champion, and Kendall Mellor, our Assistant Hon. Sec. All are back in harness I am pleased to report. Kendall had an operation for a fractured shoulder, sustained three years ago in argument with a boat at Dover, and only discovered a month ago.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Annual Dinner and A.G.M. at Morecambe. If I have omitted any important item from this report or given any misleading information therein, I would remind you that nomination forms are enclosed, and that the Ballot is secret.

IN CONCLUSION (at last) may I extend my sincere thanks and good wishes to all who have assisted the Association in promoting yet another highly successful season, and my special thanks to our President, Hon. Treasurer, all our Officers, for all the time and energy they have devoted to the Association.

(A F.M.o.t.A.o.A.F.H.S.o A.L.D.
S.A's C. & C a.t.t.B.L.D.S.A.)

John N. Slater.
Founder Hon. Secretary of the
British Long Distance Swimming
Association.

Notice of proposed alteration to B.L.D.S.A. Rules.

Rule 3. The Executive shall consist of a President......ADD "Rathlin to Ballycastle Championship Hon. Secretary, and Windermere International Championship Hon. Secretary."

" " Two Auditors shall be appointed.......DELETE THE COMPLETE SENTENCE. INSERT IN ITS PLACE:- "Two Auditors shall be appointed who shall examine the accounts and prepare a statement which shall be sent to all members in February or March. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in the month of October or November."

Notice of proposed alteration to "Recognition of Swim" Certificate Rules.
No B.L.D.S.A. "Recognition of Swim" Certificate to be awarded in respect of any private swim, unless the swimmer is over 16 years of age on the date of the swim."

Proposed F.C.Oldman. Seconded B.Bell.

Notice of proposed alteration to Pilot Life Saver Scheme Rules.
To maintain his qualification from year to year, a Pilot Life Saver must act in his official capacity on at least THREE long distance swims each season, two of which must be B.L.D.S.A. Championship swims. Any Pilot Life Saver failing to fulfill these requirements shall, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, have his name removed from the register of Pilot Life Savers.

Proposed- H.Finlay. Seconded- J.Somerfield.

[illegible] SWIM. B.L.S.S.A.

[illegible], 1964. Temperature 58-59. Light swell, some breeze, giving way to a calm sea for most of the swim. Good general conditions, sunny and warm. A record entry of 26 competitors, five ladies, twenty one men.

Results:- Men's Championship.

1.	Norman Trusty.	3 hrs.	46 mins.
2.	Gerald Forsberg.	4	21
3.	Kendall Miller.	4.	20
4.	Arthur Ayres.	4	46
5.	Bryan Finley.	4	47
6.	John Earl.	5.	-
9.	John Taylor.	5	19
10.	James Burt.	5.	20

Ladies Championship.

Elaine Gray.	5 hrs.	47 mins.
June Hanby.	4	13
Pat Simpson.	4	45
Willy van Rysel.	5	44

Retired during the race - Marion Mills, Messrs Lorner, Burrows, Williams, Hankart, Hayes Williams and Newsley.

The Ladies record was really smashed by Elaine, reducing the previous record by 1 hr. 10 mins.

For the first time in this Championship we had representatives from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. A special mention for our first successful Irish swimmer on this occasion - John Earl - welcome and well done John.

Norman Trusty put up a good time, only 7 minutes outside Michael Jennings' record made in 1962.

Our thanks to all at Torquay who assisted in promoting another very successful Championship.

Hon. Secretary Fred G. Oldman.
163, Annesley Road,
New Whittington. Chesterfield.
Derbyshire.

8th Annual WINDERMERE MARATHON SWIM.

This year's swim has been a huge success and has been notable for two things:- a record number of twenty eight competitors (nobody gave backword) and the Reception, which, exceeded all expectations, with 178 guests, members and friends attending the Dinner at the Crown Hotel. To make a full report of all achievements in this swim would make it far too long, but special mention must go to the winners, Barry Watson of Bingley (Gent's Champion) and Elaine Gray from St. Albans (Ladies Champion) and also the second swimmers in their respective Championships - Geoffrey Lake and June Hanby. I would also like to give a special word of thanks to Arthur Ayres, who has competed in every swim since we started our first Championship in 1957. To Michael Jennings, who although not completely fit, put in a good performance, and also to Tony Moorey who retired when so near the finish. Outstanding swims by two newcomers to the Championship were made by John Taylor and Graham McIntyre. I sympathise with the retirements of such men as Derek Turner, Lucien Hankart, (who swims with such enthusiasm and determination) Angus Smith, Jeff. Taylor, all really fine swimmers.

In the Ladies Championship we saw first class swims by June Hanby and Marguerite Pike, who never stopped smiling all the way up Windermere. In Willy van Rysel we saw another big name in long distance swimming, and her surprise retirement showed how anxious Windermere can be. In Marion Mills, we saw another newcomer, who [illegible] her mark in future years.

To everybody who helped with this event- the Windermere and Ambleside Constables, the Lancashire and Westmorland Police, the Radio Cadets, Oarsmen, life savers and all who helped in any way, thank you, most sincerely.

Results.

Men's Championship.

1.	Barry Watson.	5.35.15.
2.	Geoffrey Lake.	6.25. 4.
3.	Norman J.Trusty.	6.45.5y.
4.	Michael Jennings.	7.7.35.
5.	Bryan Finlay.	8.18.12.
6.	Gerald Forsberg.	7.-.5y.

Ladies Championship.

1. Elaine Gray.	6.11.4y.
June Hanby.	7. 3. 4.
Marguerite Pike.	9.29.10.

Retirements - Marion Mills.
Willy van Rysel.

(Windermere Championship - continued)

7.	James Gratton.	8.8.27.
8.	Derek Gill.	8.23.22.
9.	Arthur Ayres.	8.39.20.
10.	Leon Walkden.	8.42.44.
11.	Graham McIntyre.	11. 6.15.
12.	John Taylor.	11.22.29.

Hon. Secretary. John O'Hara, 21. Woodhouse Grove, Fartown, Huddersfield. Yks.

Retirements. A.J.Moore. J.Taylor. G.Schofield. M.McKalty. L.Hankart. J.Burt. S.Hiru. A.Smith. A.Duncan. D.Turner. J.Earls.

5th Annual BALA LAKE CHAMPIONSHIPS. B.L.D.S.A.

August Bank Holiday Saturday and Monday. Junior one-way, Senior two-way and Junior one-way. This popular Bank Holiday Swimming Festival attracted 24 entries in 1960, 38 in 1961, 45 in 1962 (with the addition of the Junior Championships) 57 in 1963 (with the addition of the Senior two-way Champ'ps) and a grand total of 70 competitors this year, from all over England, Wales, not forgetting, of course, two members from such distant parts as Belgium and India. An enthusiastic and friendly gathering, in a resort where we have always been assured of full co-operation, hospitality and friendliness.

Our very lively camping and caravanning section made full use of the lakeside facilities, and those who enjoyed a less spartan weekend by taking advantage of the excellent accommodation in the village were nevertheless always welcome round the ever boiling kettles at the side of the Loch Cafe.

(Our Championship Hon. Secretary, due to pressure of business, has been unable to prepare a report and has asked me to deputise - please bear with me whilst I meander on.) Of the respective Championships, the results given by Jack below, speak for themselves and I find it difficult to recall any outstanding aquatic incident. That Peter Hatfield and Kim Hardy absolutely romped away from the rest of the field was expected. These two outstanding and dedicated swimmers who work hard in training as well as in competition reap the benefit of their training in these swims. Bill Pearce, Geoffrey Lake and June Hanby, runner's up in their respective Championships, and the winning Juniors Sue Birchall and Kevin Murphy(who would have gained 6th & 7th place in the Senior Championships had they been eligible to compete) swam exceedingly well. Conditions were reasonable, although a stiffish breeze caused some choppy water and was responsible for slower times being recorded and also caused the premature retirement of some of the less experienced and younger swimmers. Water temperature was around the 60 mark.

Our main concern, and one which must not be permitted to occur again, was the shortage of boats. But another way, it could be superabundance of competitors. We are promised that all available boats will be on the lake, manned either by our own members of the Welsh League of Youth, and in fact this is very nearly so. On the face of it, it appears a very easy matter for all the boats to string out in a line down the lake, never more than 200 yards from the shore, and for the competitors to swim down that line, so that in theory there should never be more than 30 yards between a swimmer and a boat. In practice this does not happen. We must, in my opinion, revert to our practice on all our other major swims, and provide a boat or canoe to each competitor. If we cannot do this, then we are failing in our duty towards the competitor. The entries for these Championships have grown out of all proportion [illegible] competitors must have completed a four mile open water swim in the year of the competition, and certify so on the entry form. This would lead to a reduced number of entries and ensure that those who do enter have a reasonable certainty of completing the course. I would also suggest that the Junior Championship be held on the Sunday - it would not be the first swimming Championship to be held in Wales on a Sunday. We have reached the stage at Bala where we must take the view that a member should not enter the Championship only in an endeavour to complete the course. This view, I know, is not in keeping with our general attitude and our welcome to all and sundry to "Have a go", but our concern for the safety of our fellow members, and our concern for the high standards set by our Association must take priority over goodfellowship. I hasten to add that I am expressing my own opinions, and that when the Championship sub-committee have had the opportunity to [illegible]

(Bala Lake Championships - continued)

no doubt they will consider and resolve the matter before the next Championship.

Incidentally, the change of August Bank Holiday next year means that the Bala Championships will be held late August, and the Inter-Centre Championships probably in early August.

Might I ask that next year, for Bala, as many members as possible should bring their own boats or canoes, provided that the canoeist is a swimmer and [illegible] and your entry is more or less assured.

The social aspect of the weekend is worthy of another mention. Our inaugural bonfire took place on the beach on Sunday evening. A preliminary survey along the beach revealed an almost complete lack of combustible material, so..... away to the woods went a cheerful party, returning in the dusk with two car loads of timber. Some members unkindly thought we had spent too much time in the woods, but they were just plain jealous (anyway, Bernard always perspires when working - or even the thought of it) and to have seen Peter H. wrestling strenuously on a steep slippery hillside with a tree trunk, one would never have thought that he was going to attempt his longest ever open water swim the next day. The "Burn up on the beach" went extremely well. Trevor with his 'banjo' gave us much pleasure; Dilys captivated us with "Land of my Fathers" in her native tongue and on her native heath; whilst Jim gave us much merriment with "When I was a [illegible]". [illegible] gave a [illegible] peeled the potatoes (kindly supplied by Dilys and others) and superintended the stoking and smoke signals superlatively. Our President and Mrs. Rising graced the evenings entertainment, and an excellent time was had by all, until after 1 a.m. Goodness knows when some of 'em got to bed; no wonder Bryan could only manage 5th place next day.

Our very sincere thanks to the Chairman, Councillors and Officials of the Bala U.D.C., to Captain G.H.M.Boyle, St. John and British Red Cross, Mr. D.Hughes and the lads and lasses at the Welsh League of Youth Hostel, Mr. A.Pugh, the Bala Sailing Club, W.V.S. Association, the Football Club, the Sea Rangers and all who helped to make the Championships and attendant functions so successful.

Results.

Gent's One-way.

1. Peter Hatfield. 1.22.
2. Wm. Pearce. [illegible]
[illegible] Geoffrey Lake. [illegible]
5. Bryan Finlay. 1.33.
6. John Turnbull. 1.36.
7. Selwyn Hird. 1.41.
8. Peter Miller. 1.42.
9. Ronald Shackleton. 1.45.
10. George Moore.
11. William Fantom.
12. Lucien Hankart.
13. Rex Williams.
14. Peter Tyrell.
15. Percy Bull.

Gent's Two-way.

Peter Hatfield. [illegible]
[illegible] Greg. Goodhelle. 3.51.
John Turnbull. 3.38.
Bryan Finley. 3.51.
Selwyn Hird. 4.03.
Godfrey Bouton. 4.03.
Wm. Fantom. 4.20.
Trevor Jones. 4.25.
Robt. Keating. 4.27.
Rex Williams. 4.30.
James Burt. 4.31.
John Taylor. 4.37.
B.Ingham. 4.52.

Ladies One-way.

1. Elaine Gray. 1.21.
2. June Hanby. 1.29.
3. Marion Mills. 1.39.
4. Patricia Webb. 1.44.
5. Dilys Beynon. 1.45.
6. Susan Shallcross. 1.48.
7. Judith Eggleton. 1.52.
8. Connie Lumb. 1.55.
9. Muir Leonard. 1.59.
10. Willy van Rysel. 2.00.
11. Stephanie McCaul. 2.12.
12. Jeanne Fantom. 2.25.
13. Gillian Powell. 2.46.

Ladies Two-way.

Elaine Gray. 3.09.
June Hanby. 3.[illegible].
Marion Mills. 4.25.
Willy van Rysel. 4.38.
Dorothy Hirst. 5.27.
Jeanne Fantom. 5.30.

Ladies Junior.

June Birchall. 1.52.
Marion Carden. 1.55.
Gillian Renwick. 2.08.

Gent's Junior.

Kevin Murphy. 1.36.
David Sykes. 1.36.1.

John K.Slater Hon. General Sec.
on behalf of Jack Somerfield, Bala Championship
Hon. Secretary. Village Stores & P.O. Tiddington,
Stratford on [illegible]

2nd Annual TRENTHAM LAKE CHAMPIONSHIPS. B.L.D.S.A.

Sun. 20th September. Had yet another record entry. In 1966 there were 32 competitors. This year there were 46. A slight alteration to the course last year reduced it by approximately 200 yards. Excellent facilities were again provided by the Directors and Staff of the Trentham Gardens Co. Ltd., and in addition to expressing our thanks to them, I would include Messrs Gallahers, Tobacconists,(who kindly presented a silver cigarette box as a permanent trophy to be awarded to the first local swimmer) our A.S.A. friends who officiated - Mr. H.Koskie, our Starter and a former President of the A.S.A. Mr. Norman Wainwright, one of the most famous pre-war swimmers and a leading official of the Midland A.S.A. Dr. J.P.Murray, The Red Cross Brigade and the many other people who assisted us in this Championship. Briefing meeting, changing facilities, transport, hot baths, radio contacts round the Lake, Reception etc., nothing lacking. Conditions on the lake however were not quite so good.

Water temperature was 54F. At times a strong wind whipped up the normally sheltered waters, although for the major part of the race it was comparatively calm. An occasional torrential downpour didn't bother the swimmers but the oarsmen who had neglected (setting off in sunshine) to provide themselves with waterproofs commented (?) about the variability and fickleness of the English weather. From those of you who have read my report on the Bala Championship I may risk a rebuke for repeating my remarks on the standard of competition and the lack of boats. A three mile Championship is not the time to try and swim three miles for the first time in the season. The lake is very wide and of standing depth in most parts., and the swimmer is never more than 30 yards from shore or one of the islands. There were sufficient boats available, but not sufficient oarsmen. Restrictions will have to be imposed on the number of competitors unless we know definitely beforehand that sufficient boats and oarsmen will be available. We have reached the stage where, in this type of Championship, the number of competitors and would-be competitors is increasing far more rapidly than we can cope with. It is an excellent sign of increasing interest and enthusiasm, which we must maintain, but we must do this within the bounds of safety. Our sincere thanks to the oarsmen and women who covered this swim and who, in good spirit, accepted the directions of the Championship Referee (and sundry others) to be here, there, and somewhere else.

Again I am giving my personal opinion on something in which I am only remotely concerned, but having been asked by our Bala Championship Hon. Sec. to write this report for him, I am taking full advantage of the opportunity..

No doubt Jack, and the Championship sub-committee will take me to task for exceeding my duties.

The Men's Championship provided some excitement between Peter Hatfield, Wm. Pearce and Colin Proctor. Peter and Bill raced neck and neck in the early stages, but whether Peter was using Bill as a "marker" or whether Bill was pushing Peter hard, is difficult to say. Colin Proctor and Elaine Gray went around the course side by side most of the way, as if they were mounting. It looked as if, in the first stages, that in Colin's mind was a cautious "I know this is the fastest girl in G.B. and Holland, but I'll try and stick with her and see how it goes." In Elaine's mind, it may have been, "It doesn't matter how big he is, no one passes me without a fight." At any rate, that's how it looked to me, and it was not until the closing stages that Colin pushed ahead and actually started to close the gap with Bill Pearce.

Alison Greaves (16) made a welcome return after a very serious illness which has kept her out of the water for over 12 months, and she showed that she could really be top class by next year if she maintains her progress. Well done Jean Bartlett, all the way from Devon to take 3rd place in a tussle with Alison.

Most determined swim of the day was by Singh Sidhu, of Huddersfield. Used to a warmer climate, and having only recently taken up long distance swimming, Singh swam for roughly 3 hours in a temperature of 54F, before reluctantly,(and after considerable encouragement from a clothed and shivering Championship referee) giving up.

Results.

1.	Peter Hatfield.	1.11.10.	12.	John Taylor.	1.45.10.
2.	Wm. Pearce.	1.14. 5.	13.	John Heapy.	1.47.30.
3.	Colin Proctor.	1.15.55.	14.	Geoffrey Pickles.	1.50.0.
4.	Bryan Finlay.	1.25.10.	15.	Rex Williams.	1.55.30.
5.	John Turnbull.	1.27.10.	16.	Ian Thompson.	2.8.42.
6.	Cmdr. G.Forsberg.	1.29.12.	17.	Percy Bull.	2.17.50.
7.	Ronald Shackleton.	1.29.30.	18.	Nigel Marsay.	2.24.50.
8.	Robert Keating.	1.32.55.	19.	John O'Hara.	2.28.45.
9.	Philip Kaye.	1.36.05.			
10.	Tony Chatterton.	1.38.35.			
	[illegible]	[illegible]			

(Trenthan Lake Championship - continued)

[illegible] - Ladies Championship.

1.	Elaine Gray.	1.16.30.	7.	Susan Shallcross.	1.45.[illegible]
2.	Alison Greaves.	1.29.40.	8.	Connie L[illegible].	1.45.11.
3.	Jean Bartlett.	1.[illegible].00.	9.	Judith E[illegible]ton.	1.45.[illegible]
4.	Christina Genge.	1.35.[illegible]	10.	Willy van E[illegible]el.	1.[illegible]
5.	Marion Mills.	1.[illegible].50.	11.	Dorothy Hir[illegible].	2.[illegible].5[illegible]
6.	Joan Wallace.	1.[illegible].10.	12.	Gillian Powell.	2.[illegible].10.

John K.Slater. Hon. General Secretary,
on behalf of Jack Somerfield, Trentham
Lake Championship Hon. Secretary,
Village Stores & P.O. Tiddington,
Stratford on Avon. Warwicks.

LOCH LOMOND CHAMPIONSHIPS. D.L.D.S.A.

Unfortunately Jeff. had trouble with a fish, to be exact, a lamprey, an eel like fish with a sucker mouth, on two occasions it attached itself to his leg, and on throwing it away he damaged his shoulder and after completing 16 miles he had to retire.

Hon. Secretary. George W.Owen.
"Gwynfa" 22, Harbour Road,
Wibsey. Bradford. Yks.

PILOT LIFE SAVER SCHEME.

The process of building is slow, but we are progressing gradually toward the "Half Century" mark, with a total of 44 on the Pilot Life Saver Panel, which include the following recent additions:-

Mr. B.Bell.	Otley.	
Mr. D.Gill.	Bradford.	
Mr. A.J.Keating.	Warrington.	
Miss S.G.McCaul.	Bradford.	D.[illegible].
Mr. P.H.Miller.	Rockdale.	New Zealand.
Mr. G.W.Owen.	Bradford.	
Mrs. L.F.Slater.	Halifax.	
Mr. J.[illegible]allen.	Nuneaton.	

There was an over all increase in the number of entries for this year's Championships, and if we are to maintain a balance between swimmers and crews we must have more recruits. In fairness to the swimmers, and in the interests of safety, this is of paramount importance.

Some competitors have, unavoidably, to rely on strangers to minister their requirements, and it would be of advantage if they could engage a regular crew, and persuade them to become qualified Pilot Life Savers. This would help to restore their own confidence, preserve the mutual understanding which is necessary and advisable, and would release others for emergency duty.

With the coming season, possibly bringing more competitors, and bearing in mind the provisionally intended "International" at Windermere in 1966, we want to be properly equipped and equal to the job. Can we reach the "Century" by then. LET'S TRY.

I make a very urgent appeal for more recruits, I would like to see more Ladies taking part, and would welcome more applications from the Midlands and the South.

The "Expired Air" or "Mouth to Mouth" method of resuscitation is now universally accepted, and I anticipate that it will be introduced into our examination conditions. It is quickly learned and easily performed.

Below is a list of Area Organisers and Examiners, to whom application for examination can be made for a test in your own locality.

DEVON.	Mr. [illegible]. "[illegible]indscroft" Nut Bush Lane, Shiphay. TORQUAY.
WALES.	Mr. W.Bradley. 17, Church Rd., North, LIVERPOOL. 15.
YORKS.	Mr. G.[illegible]. 48, York House, Thorpe Edge, Idle. BRADFORD.
STAFFS.	Mr. J.Somerfield. Village Stores & P.O. Tiddington.STRATFORD ON AVON.
KENT.	Mr. G.S.Littledale. 22, The Strand, [illegible].
WARWICKS.	Mr. H.Moffatt. Block [illegible]. Tudor [illegible], Stoke Hill Guild House, COVENTRY.

I extend my thanks to all Organisers and Examiners for their [illegible]

(Pilot Life [illegible]

The Association realises with appreciation the valuable help rendered by all boat crews, and in offering its thanks to them, look forward to their future and continued assistance.

To our Hon. Secretary Mr. J.K.Slater, officials and members of the Executive Committee, my thanks for all their help and encouragement.

Hon. Secretary Pilot Life Saver Scheme. William Anderson.
64, Festival Avenue, Orford.
WARRINGTON. Lancs.
Tel. Warrington 30945 (Evening).

INTERNATIONAL [illegible] CHAMPIONSHIPS.

It has been provisionally agreed that these be held in August, the weekend prior to our annual Lyon Windermere Championship. Invitations to be extended to amateur long distance swimmers throughout the world, men and women. A total number of 20 swimmers, if possible 15 visitors and five English competitors. Expenses for the visitors to be paid from the Port of Entry to Windermere, and return to Port of exit, and to include at least 4 days accommodation in the Windermere area.

The Championships will cost, in total, approximately £500, and so far, efforts to find a sponsor have been unsuccessful. An offer has been received of £100, with the possibility of more backing when the entries are known, provided that the Championships be named after a well known Brewery Company.

The feeling of your Executive is that the Championship will be held, regardless as to whether it may be sponsored, but that to find a sponsor of the Championships would relieve us of a heavy financial loss which would bring very little back to us in the form of tax relief on [illegible]

Bearing in mind that this will be an OPEN International Championship and not an Association (Club) Championship, we must in this instance consider members living outside England, i.e. Ireland, Scotland and Wales etc., as being "International Visitors".

I would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to our President Philip Hinsing, J.P. for several generous donations to our International Fund.

The possibility of a voluntary contribution of 5/- per head from our adult members in 1965 and 1966, payable with the Annual Subscription will be suggested at our A.G.M., and should raise approximately £125.

Without wishing to steal any of our Hon. Treasurer's "thunder", I would mention that our balance this year is sufficient to justify our confidence.

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Avenue, HALIFAX. Yks.

CHANNEL SWIMMING ASSOCIATION.

The season just ended can be assessed as one of considerable interest, and like the curate's egg - good in parts, for although weather has been idyllic for holiday makers, Channel swimmers have experienced a mixture of flat calms, heavy mists and rough seas.

Relay swims are arousing much interest, and if my post bag is any indication, there will be more in future. There have been five Relay Swim attempts - three of which were successful; the City of London School for Girls, Denstone College Boys' Team and Spitalfields Market Mens' Team. The other two Team efforts were unsuccessful owing to rough seas.

[illegible] is the record swim of Barry Watson - F/E in 9 hours 35 mins. - when he knocked an hour off the previous record held by Brojan Das since 1961. No less praiseworthy is the success of Gregory Schofield. who did the E/F swim, and found the last five hours by far the hardest. His time 15 hrs. 35 mins.

Other Britishers who made valiant attempts were A.Ayres, M.Mellor and W.Pickering, and Margaret Lindsay, but bad sea conditions forced them all to retire, honourably but unbowed. E.H.Temme's successful E/F Swim, August, 1934, in a time of 15 hrs. 54 mins. (which made him the first person to have swum the Channel in both directions), long overdue for ratification, has now been included in the C.S.A.'s official Record Book. Of our foreign visitor John Starrett, U.S.A. was the first handicapped person - a Spastic, with but little use in his legs - made a successful crossing F/E in 12 hours. 45 mins, and a few days later, Robert Cossette, a French Canadian, and a Polio victim also [illegible] succeeded in a F/E effort, but was defeated in an attempt in the opposite direction by bad weather. Leonore Modell, U.S.A., now is the youngest girl ever to succeed, in a time of 15 hrs. 27 mins. Her age, 14 yrs. 3 months. Joe Nagie, also of U.S.A. completed a F/E swim in 17 hrs. 3 mins.

Ted Erikson, U.S.A. and Greta Anderson, U.S.A., both made attempts at a double non-stop crossing. Both succeeded in the first leg, England to France; Erikson in 12 hrs. 35 mins. and G.Anderson is 13 hrs. 40 mins. On the second leg, Erikson had to retire because of the intense cold after swimming 23 hours; while G.Anderson swam for a total time of 12 minutes longer, and had to retire on account of bad weather conditions. She now holds the Womens' Record for each direction, having now beaten F.Chadwick's time of 13 hrs. 55 mins. by 15 mins.; moreover she is the first woman to hold both records simultaneously.

The Annual Dinner, 1965, will take place on May 15th. in Dover Town Hall and the Annual General Meeting will follow the next morning. We look forward to seeing old friends and many new ones at "dinner time".

Miss I.Kellam-Smith, Hon. Secretary C.S.A.
"White Stacks", Walnut Tree Lane,
Loose, Maidstone, Kent.

MORECAMBE CROSS BAY CHAMPIONSHIPS. Morecambe Cross Bay Swimming Assoc.

It was planned to start the Morecambe Festival of Sport with the Mens' Cross Bay relay Race, and the final event of the Festival to be the Fleetwood to Morecambe Swim.

Mens' Cross Bay Relay Race...June 13th...Conditions in the Bay were considered by the Pilots to be unsuitable for the relay. The event was transferred to the Super Swimming Stadium.

Teams and members competing were:-

Bradford and District Long Distance S.C. "A" Team.
C.Proctor. J.K.Slater. B.Watson.

Bradford and District Long Distance S.C. "B" TEam.
S.Bird. F.Robson. E.C.Robinson.

Middlesbrough A.S.C.
E.Bellerby. P.R.Forrest. P.W.Hatfield.

Stalybridge S.C.
J.Rowlands. A.Ayres. D.Turner.

Each team member swam a distance of two miles.

It was most encouraging to note the interest of supporters and spectators who were able to watch the race in comfort with the [illegible]

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pleasant for all concerned. The improvement in the Bradford Teams was apparent from the start, each team member proving the value of their special training for long distance swimming.

Bradford "A" took the lead, followed by Bradford "B", Middlesbrough and Stalybridge. When Peter Hatfield, last man for Middlesbrough dived in, Bradford "A" had a lead of about 10 lengths and "B" about 5 lengths. The spectators were thrilled at the speed of Peter and the thought that he may overhaul both the Bradford Teams. He did pass the "B" Team, but could not catch the "A" Team.

Result:- Bradford "A" 2 hrs. 39 mins. 20 secs.
Middlesbrough 2 48 17
Bradford "B" 2 53 17
Stalybridge. 3 8 16

The attraction of this race was obvious and pointed the way to developing the event to one of a National venture.

July 5th., the date fixed for the Fleetwood to Morecambe Swim. The weather forecast was bad, and the Pilots were loath to set off, but after telephone calls to the Met. Office we decided to have a try. With the wind blowing from the S.W. we knew that if we could reach Fleetwood, the wind and tide would speed the swimmers towards Morecambe. Escort boats with swimmers and personnel set off about 1 hour late. After rounding the end of the Stone Jetty the full force of the wind struck us, with waves breaking over the boats. After battling against the elements for about three quarters of an hour we had not reached the Oil Jetty and worse seas were ahead. With all personnel feeling and looking rather green, we were pleased to return to Morecambe and call the swim off.

July 11th. The Ladies Cross Bay Championship had to be cancelled due to rough seas.

August 9th. Womens' and Mens' Cross Bay Championship. The original list of competitors dwindles down to 1 Lady and 4 Men, due to a number of would-be competitors having other commitments as a result of the changed date. The weather report gave a Force 5 wind from the North. Swimmers and personnel set off to Grange by Escort boat. Nearing Grange it was sheltered, and with the sun shining it was very pleasant for the start of the race, and a good crowd to see the swimmers off.

In the Womens' event, Brenda Evans set off at a cracking pace.

In the Mens' Championship were Cmdr. Forsberg, A.Ayres, K.Mellor and G.McIntyre.

[illegible] much worse than the weather forecast. The wind reaching force 6-7 in gusts. Kendall Mellor, Arthur Ayres and Graham McIntyre took the same route as Brenda Evans, with Cmdr. Forsberg taking a course more to the East. Kenuall took the lead up to half way, when Arthur Ayres took over up to three quarters of the way across, then Kendall again took the lead.

Conditions gradually worsened, until by the time the competitors reached Morecambe, wind and tide were making it very difficult for the swimmers and boats. Before the race we had been warned by Dick Woodhouse, the Chief Pilot, that he did not know if it would be possible to finish within the bounds fixed by the Rules.

By the time Brenda Evans (who reached Morecambe well in front of the Men) was nearly finishing, Dick Woodhouse' forecast was correct. The tide was running out so fast that boats and swimmers were dragged to the West and it was not possible to land on the West End beach, between the Beacon and the Stone Jetty. Officials had to make a quick decision to finish the swim on a line from the Beacon to the Jetty. Whilst pulling Brenda on board, the Escort boat nearly crashed into the Beacon. For safety, the Control boat had to reach a point between the Jetty and the Beacon, to observe the finish.

During the period the leading men were struggling to get across the tide at the Ring Hole, Cmdr. Forsberg, from his position higher up the Bay was able to come in closer to the Stone Jetty and finished across the line, only 45 secs behind Kendall Mellor, and, being nearer the Stone Jetty, some confusion was created when he was landed at the Jetty whilst the last swimmers were being picked up and towed in.

Result:- Ladies Champion - Brenda Evans (Middlesbrough) 2 hrs. 58 m. 3 secs.
Mens' Champion - Kenuall Mellor (Keighley) 3 11 15
Cmdr. C.G.Forsberg (Bath) 3. 12. Arthur Ayres (Coventry)
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(Morecambe Cross Bay Championships - continued)

Aug. 16th. Blackpool to Morecambe Swim.
Due to Channel commitments only Derek Turner and Derek Gill were able to compete in this swim which was held in idea[illegible] conditions. Very [illegible]

The outstanding feature of this swim was the rousing send off by the large crowd at Fleetwood who watched the Mayor of Fleetwood start the race from the beach in front of the North Western Hotel. At Morecambe the two swimmers finished at the Flagstaff Forebay Pier, and on the promenade was a larger crowd of people to welcome the swimmers than we have ever seen before.

The area Civil Defence Unit were broadcasting messages from the Escort Boat to Fleetwood and Morecambe throughout the day and crowds at each end were able to follow the progress of the competitors very closely. Messages were received clearly over the full distance.

Result:

Derek Turner	(Droylsden)	5 hrs.	10 mins.	25 secs. (New Rcd)
Derek Gill	(Bradford)	5	38	52.

Jack H.Brown. (Hon. Secretary Morecambe C.B.S.A.)
30, Marc Moss Lane, Morecambe. Tel. 10.

WINDERMERE CROSS LAKE CHAMPIONSHIPS. Lake Windermere Swimming Assoc.

Thursday 27th August. Course from shore south of Bark House and the rock, to Millerground Pool. Approx. 1,500 yards. Still water. Temp. 60F. Conditions good. Appreciation is expressed to the escorts who accompanied the competitors, the B.L.D.S.A. Windermere Sea Scouts, Windermere U.D.C. the Police, Medical Officer, the St. John Ambulance Brigade and all others who helped with the race. This Championship seems to provide an outing for several Clubs as well as individuals. Nelson A.S.C. provided 9 competitors, Whitby Seals (7) Halifax A.S.C. (5) Barnard Castle School (4). Again a very worthy winner, and again a new record, Peter Hatfield reduced his previous winning time by 38 secs. Sixteen year old Colin Ingram of [illegible]

Bradford swam well in his first open race and took 3rd place. As expected, Elaine Gray of Watford, took the Womens' Championship and established a new record, topping the previous best by Alison Greaves by precisely 60 secs. Alison, the 1961 Champion and former record holder made a welcome return after her illness, taking 2nd place, with Susan Crannage, the 1963 Champion in 3rd place. Thirteen year old Julie Smith of Halifax A.S.C. showed great potential in this swim and finished only one second behind Susan. Only one of the 51 starters failed to complete the course.

Men's Championship.		1963.
1. P.Hatfield.	19. [illegible]	19.42.
2. C.Proctor.	21.[illegible]	22. [illegible].
3. M.Bennett.	22.54.	
4. R.S.Hatfield.	22.[illegible]	
5. B.Metcalfe.	23.10.	
6. R.Shackleton.	23.[illegible]	24.27.
7. M.Oates.	24.[illegible]	
8. P.Miller.	24.[illegible]	24.42.
9. A.Moorey.	25. 4.	
10.P.Hayes.	25.47.	
11.J.Preston.	26.52.	25.12.
12.N.Robson.	27. [illegible]	30.17.
13.M.J.Emmott.	27.[illegible]	
14.P.A.Thompson.	27. [illegible]	
15.G.Pickles.	27.[illegible]	[illegible].
16.J.Massey.	28.[illegible]	
17.B.Bedford.	30. [illegible]	31.[illegible]
18.J.Williams.	[illegible]	
19.A.Davis.	[illegible]	
20.A.Howley.	[illegible]	

Ladies Championship.		
Elaine Gray.	22.20.	
Alison Greaves.	23.59.	
Susan Crannage.	[illegible]	24.24.
J.Smith.	24.29.	
B.Drake.	25.52.	
J.Hudson.	[illegible]	
J.Burnley.	26.35.	
C.Jeffs.	29. [illegible]	
E.Robottom.	29.25.	
J.Eggleton.	29.38.	29.38.
B.Haigh.	29.53.	
G.Henwick.	30.59.	32.39.
I.Clark.	31. 0.	
P.Baker.	31.55.	
K.Nuave.	32. 9.	35.34.
D.Kirkpatrick.	[illegible]	
B.Pringle.	35.54.	
C.Wilson.	[illegible]	
S.[illegible].	39.35.	
E.[illegible]	40.47.	

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22. N.C.Ward.	35.49. 38.39.	J.Pickering.	44.34.
22. S.Buckley.	39.43.	M.Pickering.	45.29.
25. D.Midgley.	36.53.	L.Storr.	47.32.
24. C.Hillman.	38.27.		
25. S.A.Thompson.	38.28.		
26. G.Fitzgerald.	42. 0.		
27. J.E.Howley.	43.24.		
28. J.Noble.	43.40.		

Hon. Secretary Derek Hewitson. "Bourgill House" Kettlewell, Nr. Skipton. Yks.

DOUBLE TAY SWIM. Ye Ancient Amphibians Bathing Assoc.

15th Aug. Our thanks to David and Peter White official boatmen, for their kind assistance; to Mr. & Mrs. George Aird who presented the prizes, to Dr. Badnock for his medical advice and help. Unfortunately two boats and crews failed to arrive at the start, and the race took place with 16 boats for 18 swimmers. As the result of a complaint about this situation, the A.A.B.A. have now to consider whether to limit the number of entries or confine it to members of the A.A.B.A. I would like to keep the swim open to all amateur entries, but it rather looks as if it would be more practical to limit it to members of just one Club.

Men's Championship.		Ladies Championship.	
1. Charles Bradley.	48. 54.	Joy Leighman.	2. 3. 39.
2. Angus Smith.	2. 0. 50.	Dev Simpson.	2.11. 12.
3. Ian Lindsay.			
4. David Booth.			
5. Derek Stuart.	Medicos:-	P.Stewart. J.Robertson. R.Heron.	
6. Roger Booth.		A.Smith. A.Campbell. M.Fraser.	
7. Alex Dundas.			
8. Albert Davies.			

Swim Convenor - Angus M.Smith,
47, Brown Street, Broughty Ferry,
Dundee. Scotland.

[illegible]

Sunday 30th Aug. Good conditions. Our thanks to Mumbles Yatch Club for the use of their Club room and boats.

Mens Championship.		Womens Championship.	
1. John Glover.	1. 17. 13.	Mrs. M.Leonard.	1. 39. 20.
2. R.Landig.	1. 44. 27.		
3. C.Bennington.	1. 47. 33.		
4. B.O'Donovan.	1.52. 6.		
5. P.Tyrell.	1. 39. 55.		
6. A.Paton.	1. 46. 40.		

John Glover, in addition to creating a new record time for this event, has also won the Mumbles to Aberavon Swim in a new record time. Recently married to Miss [illegible] who accompanied him on the [illegible] to complete the course since the war.

Hon. Secretary Mrs. B.I.M.Hansard,
61, Southward Lane, Newton Mumbles,
Swansea. Glamorgan.

BRADFORD AND DISTRICT ROAD LENGTH SWIMMING CLUB.

Bearing in mind that John [illegible] has to type this lot out with two fingers I am not including an account of each and every swim completed by our 24 competitive members who completed 64 swims covering 287 miles - I will try to be brief.

English Channel. (Without any pride of place here is a report on Barry Watson's [illegible]

(Bradford & District [illegible] - continued)

2 a.m. The [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] the Pilot boat in the darkness. The sea around him was illuminated by the lamp at the masthead, used when trawling. Barry fed after two hours swimming, out of a disposable cup which he discarded. After that he fed every hour until 7 a.m. and then every half hour until 10 a.m. At that time he said "I won't have anything else to eat until I have finished". The water temperature averaged 62F. His stroke rate was 56 at the start, varying to 60 strokes per minute. The speed averaged 1.8 knots per hour, a very constant speed all the way across.

The Pilot, [illegible], and Lt. Colonel [illegible], the Channel Swimming Association observer, realised that Barry could break the record when he was half way [illegible] hours. [illegible] his speed would slacken, and Geof replied [illegible] at that speed [illegible]. [illegible] up to the [illegible] Barry Pilot intended [illegible] took him a little further [illegible] and Barry had to land on rocks covered with sea weed. The time 11. 35 a.m. 9 hrs. 35 [illegible] for the swim, and nearly one hour chopped off the record, by an Englishman [illegible] !

Also in the Channel again this year was [illegible] trying an England to France crossing. [illegible] was balked by poor weather conditions and on his last possible day at Dover set off in conditions which were not favourable. After more than 10 hours he had to retire due to deteriorating weather and a shoulder [illegible].

<u>Ullswater Championship.</u> Not held this year as we were unable to come to satisfactory terms with the only boat proprietor on the lake.

<u>Club Junior Swim.</u> Slightly less than 1 mile - River Wharfe, Otley. Again we enjoyed a fine evening, but water temperature was [illegible]. Six girls and four boys, ages ranging from 10 to 15 years [illegible] and again all finished the course.

<u>Girls Championship.</u>	<u>Boys Championship.</u>
1. Julie A.Smith (13) Halifax. 25.10.	David Sykes (15) Huddersfield. 25. [illegible]
2. Carol Jeffs (13) Halifax. [illegible]	Carlton [illegible] Otley. 25.[illegible]
3. Gillian Renwick. (15) Otley. [illegible]	David Foster. (13) Bingley. 29.[illegible]
4. Sue Teesdale. (15) Otley. 29.57.	Norman [illegible]. (12) Bradford. 30.32.
5. Jacqueline Feather (12) Otley. 30.44.	
6. Helen Gill (10) [illegible] 43.27.	

After the swim, [illegible] prizes and certificates were presented to the swimmers by the Chairman of the Otley U.D.Council, Counc. [illegible].

<u>Windermere.</u> An individual training swim by Barry [illegible] in 5 hrs. 25 mins a personal best [illegible].

<u>Coniston Two-way.</u> John [illegible] pinched my only record - 6 hrs. [illegible] mins. Congratulations John.

<u>Coniston One-way.</u> 7th June. Temperature 52-6F. Wind from all directions.
B.Watson 2 hrs. 55 mins.
D.Gill. 4 hrs. 11 mins.

As a matter of interest this completed my tenth length of Coniston.

27th June. Colin Proctor. 2.37.
28th June. Barry Watson. 2.48. Danny S.Robinson 3.25.
Selwyn Hird. 3.46. Graham McIntyre -

<u>Bala Lake.</u> Individual two way, Barry Watson 3 hrs. 17 mins.

<u>Derwenwater.</u> 2½ miles.
July. First two way. D.Gill. 3.30 with water at a very pleasant 63/4F.
13th Sept. Two way. B.Watson 2.30. D.Sykes 3.20.
One way. Carol Jeffs. 1.26. Gillian Renwick 1.36.
Colin Proctor 1.5.48. Ken. Clegg 1.15.

Our first full course swim of the year was made by Selwyn Hird on the 24th May, 1.35. Temp. 53/5F.

[illegible]

<u>[illegible]</u> [illegible] Swimming [illegible] - 4 teams, two from this Club. A pleasant sunny day which I spent sun bathing and ticking off lengths for an opposing team (one from J.M.S. - no wonder we won Derek !) Our teams finishing 1st and 3rd helped to ensure that it was a [illegible] day.

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Championships and Records, gained by Club members this year are :-

B.L.D.S.A. Windermere Lon'g Championship.	Barry Watson.
Ruthlin Island to Ballycastle.	Kendall Mellor.
Sandsend - Whitby Junior Ladies Champ'g.	Gillian Merrick.
" " " Men's "	Colin Proctor.
Morecambe Relay Race.	Bradford "A" Team.
Morecambe Cross Bay Championship.	Kendall Mellor.
English Channel all-comers Record.....	Barry Watson.
Two way Coniston "	John Slater.
" " Derwentwater. "	Barry Watson.
Derwentwater. Ladies. "	Carol Jeffs.
Men. "	Colin Proctor.

Drought for 1965 - the two lady members who were, this season, rescued from their boat after being told by a boatman "THERE IS NO NEED TO PANIC, BUT GET OFF QUICK" may next year decide that it is safer to swim - if they can be persuaded to part with their handbags, of course.

Hon. Secretary Derek Gill,
"Westbourne View" Bradford Road,
Otley. Yks.

WARRINGTON DOLPHINS LONG DISTANCE SWIMMING CLUB (Formed 1964)

At last ideas and dreams have materialised - our own Long Distance Swimming Club called "Warrington Dolphins", formed through increasing interest in Long Distance swimming by 4 members of the towns Life Guard Corps.

We start off [illegible] none other than Mrs. E.Anderson (Sammy Lowry) channel swimmer; [illegible]'s Hon. Secretary is Ian Thompson and the Hon. Treasurer is Robert Keating.

The season started well with R.Keating, A.Williams and I.Thompson going up to 7 miles in training by early June. The winter months of weight training obviously paying dividends by the times returned. First we knotch up two early July Lake Coniston successes by Ian Thompson in 3 hrs. 51 mins, and Susan Shallcross in 3 hrs 52 mins both on the same day. Temp. 60 - 64F.

A few weeks later takes us back to the Lake District with Robert Keating determined on an Ullswater individual swim, only to find that a Sailing Regatta was in progress. All feeling a little frustrated, but not undaunted, a race back to Windermere and Bob says "I think I will have a go", and finishes quite strong in a time of 6 hrs. 56 mins against a prevailing wind. Temp. 64-9F.

Bala Lake Championship. Susan Shallcross completes the one way on the [illegible] in a time of [illegible], with Arthur Williams [illegible] and Ian with groin trouble sustained in training, but Bob finished in a time of 4 hours 27 mins.

Sandsend - Whitby Championship. Robert Keating and Ian Thompson enter their first sea swim Championship and finish 4th and 7th respectively in times of 1 hr. 20 mins 37 secs. and 1 hr. 34 mins. 40 secs. A mention of thanks here from all at Warrington to the Hon. Sec. Jim Robinson and all others concerned in the swim, for hospitality received, also greatly impressed with the way the swim and dinner was organised - definately an annual must on the Dolphin Calendar.

Back to the lakes again, in July, and Arthur Williams plods down from Coniston the old Steamer Jetty, meeting none other than B.L.D.S.A. Hon. Sec. John Slater swimming the opposite way on a two-way swim - congratulations John on your success - Arthur finished in a time of 4 hrs. 8 mins. Temp.64-6F.

[illegible] told me that it was a very pleasant swim.

Bala Lake and Coniston. Late August and early September seesmother two successful Bala swims for Ian Thompson & Arthur Williams, a two way for

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Susan Shallcross, then another Coniston success for Bob Keating.
Trentham Lake Championship. The Warrington Team out in force, with a new addition to our ranks, Christina Genge, who, on her very first long swim finished 4th out of 12 in the womens Championship. With only 3 weeks training prior to the swim this was a most commendable effort. I think we shall be seeing a lot more of Christina in 1965. Other finishers were Susan Shallcross, Bob Keating and Ian Thompson. Arthur Williams was attacked by his old enemy - cramp, retiring shortly before the end of the course.

So the score reads, 4 Coniston swims, 1 Windermere, 3 one-way Bala, 2 two-way Bala, [illegible] 2 Hands[illegible] 4 Trentham, [illegible] 75 miles, [illegible] for [illegible] next year.

Our coach says she is quite satisfied, and all swimmers extend their thanks to Mrs. Anderson for her service and encouragement rendered, many a "painful" hour spent in the accompanying boats, and many miles of walking along the canal bank.

Births. On the 28th June, 1964, a girl, Ainslie Debra Thompson, a sister for Jacqueline and twin brothers Neil and Craig, both sexes now well represented.

Congratulations to Robert Keating who celebrated his 21st birthday on 16th August, a good 21st year of swimming for Bob.

Club Championship. Details have yet to be finalised, but we hope to stage one next year and make it an open invitation to all B.L.D.S.A. members who will be made most welcome.

Thank you all for bearing with me on this first but lengthy report, and I would like to mention one more item of interest. The Club's membership stands at eight, [illegible] number we have five [illegible] qualified Pilot [illegible]

See you all at the Annual Dinner at Morecambe, and our best wishes to all B.L.D.S.A. members for 1965.

Hon. Secretary Ian A.Thompson.
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SWANSEA REPORT,

The B.L.D.S.A. Bala One Way Championship on Aug. 1st was attended by two Swansea S.C. members - [illegible] 1 hr. 58 mins.
Mrs. Mair Leonard. 1 hr. [illegible] mins.

This was a delightful swim, our congratulations to the organisers and thanks to the Association for promoting this swim in Wales.

The Annual seven miles [illegible] - Aberavon beach swim, sponsored by the Portalbot Borough Council Beach Entertainments Committee was held on Sat. [illegible]th Aug. The temperature was about 69F and a rip roaring spring tide, driven by a strong following "Sou Wester" tended to overwash the swimmers and threatened a race call off. Exploiting these fast conditions to his best advantage, John Glover of the Swansea S.C. set a new record of 2 hrs. 56 mins., to win the Portalbot Borough Council Trophy. Second place went to Bernard Donovan, of The Steel Company of Wales S.C., who was presented with the T.W.W. Television Trophy for being the first Portalbot resident to complete the course.

All six swimmers received inscribed silver tankards, the prizes were presented by the Mayor of Portalbot, Alderman Idwal Hopkins.

Results:-

John Glover.	Swansea S.C.	2 hrs. 56 mins.
Bernard Donovan.	Steel Co.Wales.	3 hrs. 17 mins.
Alun Davies.		3 hrs. 22 mins.
[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]		3 hrs. 50 mins.

Full marks to the Portalbot Council for the organisation of this swim.

'The Piers' swim, [illegible] miles [illegible] Swansea - Mumbles was held by the Swansea S.C. on 30th Aug. [illegible] and the bay like a glistening pond offered ideal conditions to the seven competitors. This swim is fairly straight forward for the first 5½ miles. During the last ½ mile as the Mumbles pier is approached, a cross current of about 4 - 6 knots washes the swimmer out to sea. Play it safe and you will probably finish last; cut it too fine

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and you may not get them at all. Moreover, conditions are never similar, so that a swimmer with his eye on the record must set his course to suit the prevailing tide and wind. This is precisely what John Glover did to break the existing record by 2 mins. 13 secs, and win the 'Freedom' Trophy. The experienced Dick Lemley was second, and Chris Bennington, who is guesting with the Club, from Leeds, a close third. Mrs. Mair Leonard was the first woman in living memory to complete the swim. On a well judged course she just managed to pip Peter Tyrell by 13 secs., after he had fought the tide race for a good five minutes. Mrs. Leonard's time of 1.39 is a formidable time for all those famous contestants. Mr. Rutherford of the Mumbles Yacht Club was so impressed with her swim that he is awarding her a special trophy. Mrs. Jean Harries presented the trophy to John Glover and commemorative plaques to the seven swimmers. (See the results under the heading "SWANSEA PIER TO MUMBLES PIER".)

One gloomy note this year has been the absence from the local scene of Charlie Taylor. This 'Great' distance swimmer has been sadly missed by all of us who have a high regard for the sport. We hope he will soon return and repeat some of his record breaking performances next season.

Peter Tyrell.
7, Shesshyre Street,
Brynmill. Swansea. Glam.

FAIRWAY BUOY SWIM. Exmouth Swimming and Life Saving Society.

[illegible] June. [illegible] and choppy.

Results:-

1.	A.J.Moorey. Solent S.C.	1.42.	5.	M.Mills. Devonport.	2. 7.
2.	K.M.Brewer. Stmptn S.C.	1.44.	6.	J.Burt. Weymouth S.C.	2.20.
3.	G.Schofield. Weymouth S.C.	1.54.	7.	John Moorey. Solent S.C.	2.29.
4.	F.Budge. Devonport S.C.	2. 5.			

Six retirements including 1963 holder Chris Bamsey of Exmouth.

Hon. Secretary. Douglas M. Pinmore,
17, Harpool Hill,
Exmouth. Devon.

[illegible]

1964- a year of wonderful weather and notable achievements. The sea temperature reached 60F before the end of May and was steady at 67F for 3 weeks at the end of July. No excuses on that score then; we've never had it so good.

The season opened on June 14th, when Lucien Hankhart and Eric Vallentine swam from Ryde to Southsea in 2.15.18. Both swam breaststroke.

A fortnight later Anthony Moorey broke C.T.Deane's 1939 record for this crossing (1.48.50) with a resounding 1.36.4. Anthony now holds both the one way records.

We had met Ken Brewer at Exmouth, where he came second to Anthony Moorey and promptly signed him up for the Club. He celebrated by swimming from Ryde to Southsea on July 5th, in 1.37.38 - 2nd fastest to date and also faster than Deane's 1939 time.

Later in July Graham Ayres did a magnificent 'double' in rough weather. [illegible] same day in 9.56.0., but had to be smartly pulled out on the way back through impending danger from some very large ships bearing down on the party.

One of the most noteworthy swims of the year was that of solicitor Neville Smith who battled his way from Ryde to Southsea in 4 hrs. 25 mins. Two years previously he could not swim one length of the baths. A triumph of determination. In August, Anthony Moorey celebrated the Golden Jubilee of the famous Gabes Wolffe "Three Piers" swim, by attacking this long standing record. He touched all three piers (South Parade, Ryde, Clarence - 9 miles in all) in 4.55.18, half an hour under the existing record.

Finally, newcomer David Breen, aged 17, swam from Southsea to Ryde, in

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2.47.0. and followed this up with a creditable performance at Poole, so that we shall be looking forward to some good swims from him.

No ladies this year you will note. Come on girls ! Your records are just asking to be beaten.

A point of interest - the men's records have got to the stage where you must not only have your swimming right but your mathematics too. A two-way can be exceedingly complex. Several intending visitors have been puzzled at our refusals to allot them on days specified by them and not by the Club.

[illegible] the Channel.

Another point for aspirants - we cannot allow two or more swimmers to one boat. If you have ever left Ryde on a clear sea and, within half an hour had a 50,000 ton liner appear on a collision course at 20 knots, you'll know what we mean. !

Visitors are always welcome, but please give us plenty of notice, together with a straight assessment of your swimming ability. We entertained a foreign naval officer this year who wanted to do a "treble Solent" as a preliminary for a Channel swim. We were suitably impressed. Five hours after starting he had not reached Ryde, and shortly afterwards was in an Ambulance on his way to hospital.

All our friends will be sorry to hear of the recent illness of our President Jim Bland (Southsea to Ryde, 2.32.15 at 57 years of age) and equally pleased to hear he is now making good progress.

Hon. Secretary. Anthony J.Moorey.
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WEYMOUTH SWIMMING CLUB.

Our first season affiliated to the B.L.D.S.A. The first event of the season was the Fairway Buoy swim on 21st June, approximately 5 miles, around a buoy and back. Tidal, temp 58F. Strong wind whipping up a heavy chop. We entered five competitors, 2 finished, Gregory Schofield and Jim Burt, although John Restorick retired only a mile from the finish. Positions 5th & 6th. Next event Torbay, Gregory Schofield and Jim Burt entered and came 6th & 13th respectively. I should like to take this opportunity of mentioning the [illegible] which improved considerably but is not best for rowing over difficulty.

In between Championships G.Schofield did an 18 mile training swim in 12 hours, whilst J. Burt did a 9 mile swim in 6 hours.

Bala two way was next, with Schofield and Burt entering once again, to come 3rd and 13th. Next year we hope to bring up two juniors for these Championships. Both of them covered 2 miles in under 70 mins on a very rough day. Steven Halls (15) recorded 67.3, and Philip Gollop recorded 69.37.

Windermere - two entries - two failures - no excuses.

Poole Harbour, 3 miles with the tide, G.Schofield 4th, Jim Burt 15th.

The aftermath of the Poole swim led me to do some experimenting with Plastic skin. Anyone who suffers from a strong chin growth and a sore shoulder may find that an aerosol squirt of plastic skin, lightly smeared over with grease, offers considerable alleviation

Channel Swim account. Gregory Schofield. 20th 21st Aug. Temp. 59-60F.

[illegible] - England [illegible] - Belgium. Left Shakespeare beach 12.25 p.m. stroking 68 per min in the first hour, raising to 72 per min in the third hour when I stopped for the first feed, chicken, fruit juice, chocolate, glucose coffee, cold water. An hour later in the middle of the channel about 10 miles off Blanc Nez, the chances of breaking a record looked good. Then came the long haul to get off Gris Nez before the tide started to sweep back up channel, missed it and had to spend 8 hours swimming parallel with the coast, 3 miles off. As predicted, a strong wind blew up making the sea very rough, and consequently making me very sick, and unable to eat anything for the last 6 hours. I finally struggled ashore 4 a.m. just below Wissant.

Gregory Schofield
'Stanfield' 13, Royal Crescent,
Weymouth.

POOLE OPEN HARBOUR [illegible].

Held on the 26th September. Temp. 56F. Tidally assisted. Generally a very happy spirit amongst the competitors. A lovely sunny day. The water was calm at the start of the race, but then rough water for about 1½ miles. The end of the swim was calm again, as the water is protected by the quaysides. [illegible] on the bridge this year, which proved popular for swimmers and spectators.

Results:-

	Men's Championship.		Ladies Championship.	
1st.	D.L.Mace.	70.37.	J.M.Bartlett.	79.58.
2nd	W.A.Chatterton.	71.21.	P.Webb.	85.48.
3rd.	K.Brener.	72.51.	M.Lowe.	87.28.
4th.	G.Schofield.	73.23.	F.Bravery.	89.4[illegible].
5th.	P.Williams.	73.24.	B.Wright.	93.58.
6th.	R.Cracknell.	74.15.	W.v.Rysel.	94.39.
7th.	G.Forsberg.	75.50.	G.Harding.	1. 46.29.
8th.	D.Green.	77.57.	P.Turner.	1.47. 11.
9th.	R.Whittle.	80.48.		
10th.	P.Caunter.	81.31.	Only one competitor retired.	
11th.	G.Waters.	84.17.		
12th.	[illegible]	[illegible]		
[illegible]	[illegible]			
14th.	B.James.	87.55.		
15th.	R.Rimmer.	87.57.		
16th.	P.Harding.	88.55.		
17th.	R.Williams.	89.17.		
18th.	A.Knight.	91.07.		
19th.	T.Bull.	99.27.		

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(Club Hon. Sec. has left the district, no replacement yet, in meantime write to Jean - J.K.S.)

MORECAMBE BAY INSHORE CHAMPIONSHIPS. Morecambe Inshore Swimming Club.

Men's Inshore. Both heats were swum in the sea, on a one way course as conditions would not allow a two way swim. The two heat winners, W.Pearce and David Sykes were not able to swim in the final, both being out of the country that day. Due to weather conditions in the Bay, the final had to [illegible] 16 year old Kenneth Clegg of Shipley.

The [illegible] was more successful, the course being completed both ways. Brenda Ev[illegible] the Championship for a 3rd year, again breaking the record. Brenda has developed into a very powerful swimmer and has very great potential. Second was newcomer Susan Shallcross, from Warrington, a very fine swim, in 2 hr. 7 mins. 37 secs. Third place went to 13 year old Pat Baker, of Morecambe, who has only taken up serious swimming this year. She had no thoughts of long distance swimming until early June, and recorded the fastest time ever for a local lady. The 4th place went to Miss Willy van Rysel, a very experienced swimmer and our first swimmer to come from Wales. Fifth place went to Gillian Renwick, another up and coming Yorkshire girl. Sixth, was Carol Wilson, of Lancaster, a 14 year old.

Lancaster to Morecambe Swim. The entry list for this tough swim was reduced to two stalwarts - [illegible] the Derek Gill. Barry [illegible] and 2 feet [illegible] and quite enough, but [illegible] the oarsmen could combat the rough water even with the assistance of an outboard engine. Having swum 12 miles at a terrific speed it was disappointing for Barry to have to give up. Derek Gill swam very well for 7½ miles until the accompanying launch grounded on a sea wall and it was agreed it would be unwise to carry on. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped us in any way during the year, and will look forward to seeing all our friends in 1965.

Hon. Secretary Arthur Shipley.
La Mena, Caton Rd.,
Lancaster.

HUDDERSFIELD [illegible] S.C. CLUB.

Our marathoneers had another successful season in their respective swims. Phillip Kaye made an outstanding swim in a two-way Windermere, in very bad weather conditions. He also completed 16 miles in a training swim at "Sparth Reservoir" and completed the Trentham Lake swim.

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Jeffrey Taylor had had an unlucky season, but gained the distinction of having his 20 mile swim in "Sparth Reservoir" being officially recognised as a Club record. Jeff's attempt at Loch Lomond was thwarted, being attacked by an eel, off "Tarbett Point". Although suffering from shock and pain from a damaged shoulder, he completed 16 miles.
John O'Hara retired on the Sandsend to Whitby swim, but, determined to make amends in Trentham Lake, he completed the latter course and reduced his 1963 time for the swim. John has been more prominent as an oarsman this season, having rowed at Loch Lomond for Jeff, and for Phillip on his two way Windermere. A special mention also, for Trevor Smith, who obliged on both occasions.
Our friend from India Hardip Singh Sidu, was unsuccessful in his first two attempts, and had to retire at Whitby and at Trentham, after making very gallant attempts. He put up a very good show at Trentham. Perhaps we shall see more of him in future swims.
The lady members put on a good show in their respective swims. Mrs. Dorothy Hirst was successful in her first attempt in the Sandsend to Whitby swim, also Bala Lake two-way swim, successful also in Trentham, recording a faster time than 1963. Prior to these swims, Dorothy was involved in a road accident and it was doubtful if she would be able to compete.
Mrs. Constance Lumb gave a creditable performance, completing Bala one way and Sandsend to Whitby in reasonable times, and reducing her time for the Trentham swim.

Another newcomer to the big swims is 16 year old Brian Ingham, who completed the Bala two-way course at his first attempt. A breast stroke swimmer, we look forward to seeing him in additional swims next year.

David V.Sykes, the up and coming Junior was successful in all his swims. Bradford & District L.D.S.C. 1 mile Junior Champion, an 8 mile training swim in Sparth Reservoir, heat winner of the Morecambe Inshore on 12th July, but could not compete in the final because of his holidays. He was second in the Bala Junior swim, made a private swim from Sandsend to Whitby, in 1 hr. 17 mins. Bradford Long Distance S.C. Derwentwater two-way swim, 3 hrs. 20 mins. David's best performance this year was his Coniston swim of 3 hrs. 57 mins, in poor weather conditions.

Wilf. Toulcher.
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Willow Lane East, Huddersfield.

SCHELDE INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

Held on the 21st June. B.L.D.S.A. representatives Peter Hatfield and Elaine Gray were selected, by trial, some weeks earlier. All expenses paid by the B.L.D.S.A. and Dutch organisers. This year was the 21st Annual swim. Our member Edward Bellerby (Middlesbrough) also took part in the Championsh and reports....."on arrival I was taken to Mr. and Mrs. Quast-Colds home at 11, St. Maartens Laan, Vlissingen. Many previous B.L.D.S.A. swimmers have stayed there in the past. And the welcome extended to us was exceptionally good. Mr. and Mrs. Quast-Colds send all their regards to previous swimmers.
After tea [illegible] Island of Walcheren, on which Vlissingen stands.....We picked up Peter and Elaine from the Railway Station later that evening and Elaine was dropped off at an English Lady's home. On the morning of the swim we were all examined by two Doctors, and medical facts recorded. We were then given food and settled down to await the start of the race. The weather was really warm and the water temperature high.....We were taken to the start by means of a tug, and en route greasing was done by nurses. Peter, Elaine and I declined the use of grease, and the remainder of the swimmers appeared rather surprised. At the start line we were transferred to our rowing boats, which were tied in a line and held in position by a tug boat. The start was delayed a long time because of a very strong current.....At the start signal we dropped in and swam. Across the Schelde the water was not too choppy, but there was a plague of Portugese Men o' War ! We were lucky and none of us were stung. The race was won by J.Richards, De Dolfijn, Amsterdam, [illegible] 1.12.33. I finished in 1.29.52. The locals tell me you need to swim the Schelde many times before you can take the straightest way across and save swimming time. On the evening a dance was organised for the swimmers and a good time was had by all ! The following morning Mr. Quast and family took

me by car to Ostend, for my plane home. We had a look at Knocke, Zeebrugge and other resorts. After I left them they took later around the Hague.

During the weekend a swimmer by the name of A.Schagt, of De Ijsberon, Antwerpen told me he was a friend of Lucien Hankart and asked me to pass on his best wishes (Lucien, please note).

Edward Bellerby.
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RATHLIN ISLAND TO BALLYCASTLE CHAMPIONSHIP.

This inaugural Championship was held on Saturday the 18th July, under the auspices of this Association in conjunction with the Ballycastle U.D.C. Formal approval was received from the A.S.A. and the I.A.S.A. A cordial invitation was sent to the Irish A.S.A. to provide officials, but none were available. The hospitality, enthusiasm and friendliness of the local people was tremendous. I think that all our members would welcome the opportunity of returning next year. Accommodation was in Hotels and private houses and we were very well entertained. The liason between the local organisers, the boatmen, swimmers and officials could be improved upon, but this is largely a domestic affair in Ballycastle and Rathlin. The start of the Championship had been planned and advertised for the early afternoon, but on the advice of a knowledgeable local boatowner, this was was deferred until 5.30 p.m.

We had been assured that sufficient boats would be available, and it was unfortunate that on arrival at Rathlin Island there were only 5 rowing boats for six swimmers. Some of the boatmen were reluctant to land swimmers and officials on the rocky shore, due to rough conditions, but eventually all the swimmers were landed. There must be an improvement here, and I understand that there is a [illegible] although this would [illegible] the course by several hundred yards. [illegible] had to set off without an accompanying boat, although he was in easy reach of the other boats, and a launch had to be commandeered to accompany him. This reached him after 20 minutes unaccompanied swimming. The water was choppy, rough patches, with moderate swell towards the end of the course, finishing in dead calm water on a very pleasant sheltered beach. There were many jellyfish on the edge of the tide, and at least one swimmer received painful stings. The temperature was a steady 53F for most of the swim, increasing to 56F close inshore. In a straight line the distance is about 4¼ miles, but the tidal curve and possible navigational errors make this into a 5 to 5½ mile swim. Better timing in conjunction with the tide and wind could have make this a shorter swim, and I hope that all concerned have learnt something from this inaugural Championship. The boatmen were excellent oarsmen who have spent many years rowing backwards and forwards from Island to Mainland, and their rowing ability and enthusiasm is unquestionable. The swimmers went on slightly different routes, depending upon the oarsmen and the speed of the swimmer. Michael Jennings shot into the lead, but retired after 1. hr. 17 mins due to the cold. John Earls retired after 37 mins. realizing that he would be in the water for a considerable time and deciding that he would eventually 'freeze' before he could hope to finish. Bryan Finlay took the lead after Michael retired, and held it until about 1 mile from the finish, when the cold sapped his energy and Kendall Mellor passed him and finished the course amidst tremendous acclamation from the crowd, estimated by the press to be over 6,000 strong. (My own estimate of the crowd is a little more conservative, but it was the biggest crowd I have ever seen at a swim.). Kendall finished very strongly, cold, but without any appearance of fatigue. Bryan completed the course 4 minutes later, numbed and tired, but well capable of expressing suitable comment (?) to the winner. In the meantime, Jimmy Gratton of Belfast had succumbed to the cold, only a few hundred yards from the finish, a really first class effort by our local member in his first Championship. [illegible]

[illegible] were well within the previous record set up by Jack McClelland - 3 hrs. 10 mins. I had the pleasure of meeting and chatting with Mrs. McClelland after the Championship, and I hope that we will welcome Jack as a Member next season.

Later the same day, all swimmers and officials were gathered on a stage erected near the beach, when speeches were made by a number of prominent citizens and interested parties. Trophies and replicas were presented on behalf of Messrs W.D. and H.O.Wills. Milk and coffee were supplied to all

concerned by the Milk Marketing Board. I would like to express my appreciation to all a. Ballycastle and Rathlin who assisted in any way in making such a success of this first Championship - the longest amateur Swimming Championship in Ireland. An alternative course is under investigation, should conditions not be favourable for a Rathlin to Ballycastle swim next year. The mention of a two-way swim has also raised some interest, i.e. Can it be done ? There is also the possibility of a well sponsored Championship in Galway Bay.

Hon. Secretary John K.Slater,
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[illegible] Championship. Whitby Seals A.S.C.

Saturday 8th August, 1964. Course : Sandsend to Whitby Harbour, approximately 3 miles. Temperature 57 to 59F - the warmest yet for a Whitby swim. A record entry of 29, (all of whom started); a record fallout. (20 finished). Competitors should have been helped by the biggest spring tide the event has yet known, so many times should have been fast.

But, alas !....."the best laid schemes of mice and men....!" The start was delayed and much of the intended tidal benefit was lost. In fact, that Percy Bull of Coventry, the last swimmer to complete the course, rounded the end of the pier as the end of slack water and swam his last few hundred yards up the harbour against the ebb. Our apologies to Percy, - and to a couple of other swimmers further behind, who may, perhaps, fairly claim they were robbed of certificates.

Part cause of the delay was the [illegible] could arise from [illegible] but bulk of the blame must go to a heavy angular inshore swell which made it extremely difficult for Sandsend Boat Club to launch their craft, and impossible to align boats for the start once they were launched. Had conditions been even slightly worse, it would have been impossible to start the race. But apart from the initial swell, conditions for the swim were fair.

One of the most pleasing features of the swim was the response to the introduction of Junior trophies. Four boys, while competing on equal terms with men for the Whitby Chamber of Trade Cup, also battled among themselves for a new cup donated by Capt. J.H.Fenwick, and four girls competed for a cup presented by Whitby Conservative Club, as well as for the Senior trophy, - the "Whitby [illegible] A.S.C." Silver Cup.

In the [illegible], Peter Hatfield (Middlesbrough) comfortably retained his title, completing the swim in less than an hour for the third successive year. Apart from Peter, only Brian Winn has swum the course in less than sixty minutes. [illegible] Ladies' places were taken by Ladies, - Colin Proctor (Halifax) and Brian Metcalfe (Darlington). Colin's time of 1 hr. [illegible] 50 secs. establishes a new Junior Record, marginally better than Pru Rodgers' 1962 time of 1hr. 5 min. 6 secs.

In the Ladies' Championship, Brenda Evans, (Middlesbrough) strove hard and successfully to turn tables on June Hamby, to whom she was runner-up in 1962 and 1963. Brenda's victory was well-earned ; she was the only swimmer in the complete field (apart from first attempts), who returned a personal best time.

Gillian Henwick (Otley) and Maxine Beecher (Batley) ran a close race for the Junior Cup, - but tidal indolence in the last stages of the race was taking its toll and Gillian's winning time of 1 hr. 32 mins. 43 secs. was more [illegible] minutes slower than Maxine's Junior record of 1 hr. 15 mins. 22 secs established last year.

As usual, the weaker sex proved the tougher. One Junior failed in the Ladies' Race; eight swimmers, including two Juniors, failed in the Men's Race.

Men's Championship. Results.

1.	Peter Hatfield.	Middlesbrough.	59.57.	[illegible]	59.42.
2.	Colin Proctor.	Halifax.	1. 4.50.		
3.	Brian Metcalfe.	Darlington.	1.5. 43.		
4.	J.Bryan Finlay.	Coventry.	1.12.27.	[illegible]	
5.	Martin McNulty.	Middlesbrough.	1.17. 8.	1.[illegible].30.	1.20.40. [illegible].12.
6.	Robert Keating.	Darrington.	1.20.37.		
7.	Dennis Buckton.	Stockton.	1.21.44.		
8.	Rex Williams.	Coventry.	1.20.58.	1.17.[illegible]	
9.	Ian Thompson.	Darrington.	1.34. 10.		
10.	Thomas P.Bull.	Rugby.	2.11.50.		

Average 1.23 34.

(Sandsend to Whitby Championship - continued)

Retired:- R.Hatfield. D.Linton. J.O'Hara. D.Myers. D.G.Pinkney. H.S.Sidhu, A.Davies. R.Oldman.

Ladies Championship.

1.	Brenda Evans.	Middlesbrough.	1. 8.23. 1. 6.10.	1.11.38.
2.	June Hanby.	Dewsbury.	1. 9.45. 1. 2. 9.	1. 6.28.
3.	Hazel Ramsden.	Bradford.	1.28.33.	1.14.24.
4.	Connie Lumb.	Huddersfield.	1.30.41.	
5.	Gillian Kennick.	Otley.	1.32.43.	
6.	Dianne E.Beecher.	Batley.	1.34.14. 1.15.22.	
7.	Willy van Rysel.	Cardiff.	1.34.30.	
8.	Dorothy Hirst.	Huddersfield.	1.48.37.	
9.	Kathleen Neave.	Broughty Ferry.	1.53. -.	
10.	Joan Palin.	Broughty Ferry.	1.48.15.	

Retired:- Sandra Foster. (Jnr.) Average 1.33.52.

Individual Attempts. David Sykes, 15 years, of Huddersfield, swam the Sandsend to Whitby course on 6th September, in 1 hr. 17 mins. A highly creditable performance in rough conditions.

Aquadorms. Every good festival has its lunatic fringe. Ours stems from the quaint marriage of curious minds between Warwickshire L.D.S.A. and Friendship A.R.C. Last November, W.L.D.S.A. challenged "Friendship" to a rowing race on the afternoon of S.L.D.S.A.'s Annual Dinner, and the rowing Club decisively demonstrated the unwisdom of swimmers meddling in unfamiliar sports ! It appears that Friendship, after this event, concluded Warwickshire to be unfitted for any sport more manly than sleepwalking. But, for a return challenge, some sort of aquatic flavour had to be maintained. Hence the "Aquadorming" or floating bed was evolved. After much correspondence concerning such matters as the distance to be sommambulated....(40 winks...a quick kip.... or heads down for a long blinder ? Rex Williams asked)....and the nature of the trophy, (which turned out to be an ornate guzzunder, which a local licensee refused to fill with ale for the winners), three Warwickshire bed mates, Skipper Williams, crewman Finlay, Bull for bellboat, Aquadormed against a "Friendship" team of three, downharbour from Whitby Bridge at low tide, on Sunday morning after the Sandsend swim. Technically, the result was a dead heat, though Warwickshire undoubtedly gave the more polished and graceful demonstration of aquatic bed makery. Whether through sheer inexperience, or merely to observe the decencies, we do'nt know, but one member of the "Friendship" crew was pitched overbed very [illegible] and remained in an attitude of prayer at his Dormside until "Whitby [illegible]" signalled at Scotch Head. There [illegible] and a half stones broke through the bedsprings and the crew surreptitiously walked on the Harbour's mud bottom.

Club progress. Gradually, but surely, Whitby Seals have progressed in the uphill task of instilling in Whitby children a love for swimming in cold water (it has to be cold water because there isn't any warm; it has to be children because older people aren't amenable to bullying !) First evidence of modest progress was when six Whitby Juniors, five girls and one boy, took part in this year's Windermere Cross Lake swim. All completed the course soundly, though, being both among the youngest entrants and the least trained in competitive swimming, they constituted a large part of the swim's "tail end". But one small morsel fell to the Club. Nine year old Kathleen Pickering triumphantly took the trophy awarded to the youngest successful swimmer in her race, and she was said by the knowledgeable to be the youngest ever to compete.

On September the 13th the Club staged its first River Esk Junior Championships over a mile course, (or be it a rather short one !) in the non-tidal, fresh water reaches of the local river. It would be uncharitable to mension names, but 12 entered and ten completed the course. There are rumours of an invasion of little Seals into the waters of the Bay next year, and it it hoped that the time isn't far distant when the Club will be feeding swimmers into the main stream of S.L.D.S.A. affairs.

PLEASE note the Hon. Secretary's new address as shown below.

Immediate contact with the Club (e.g. to arrange February individual attempts on the Sandsend - Whitby course) can be made through the Club President Mr. E.S.Hamilton, 24, Spring Vale, Whitby.

Hon. Secretary. James Robinson,
24, Melrose Avenue,
Billingham. Co. Durham

WARWICKSHIRE LONG DISTANCE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION.

1964 was certainly a good season for swimming, at least so far as the W.L.D.S.A. are concerned. Taken in order of "appearance" the tally was in this order:

May 30th, Lake Bala, our usual start of the season swim, the temp. was somewhere between 58 and 60. The swimmers completing the course: A.Ayres, B.Finlay, P.Bull, R.G.Williams and Miss Gillian Powell. Interesting point here, 12 months previously Gillian could not even swim (mind you, with B.Finlay and R.G.W. in the boat she had no chance of retiring.)

Next, Torquay, B.Finlay, and A.Ayres, successful as always, R.G.W. only getting as far as Brixham. B.Finlay added yet another international event to his already impressive record when he went to Ireland to take part in the Ballycastle swim. Conditions being far from good, Bryan gained a good position in second place. The same weekend, Arthur and R.G.W. went to the Solent, Arthur completing a two way, R.G.W. being pulled out when the shipping got a bit hectic, on the return trip.

On now to the Bala Championships. These were the swims we always look forward to, as usual we kept up our tradition in having a new lady entrant every year. Miss Gillian Powell being the 1964 entrant. It was good to see the Chairman of the W.L.D.S.A. back in the fray again, W.Fenton (Windermere, Morecambe etc.) Joanne Fenton had something to say about his sitting in a boat and having it easy, I suspect. B.Finlay, R.G.W. and Percy Bull completed the course, Bryan in his usual 4 th place. The congratulation for this year definitely go to the two Junior ladies, MissJune Marshall, aged 12, and Miss Marion Carden aged 13. So far I have not mentioned times, as most of you will have a record of the various races etc., but I feel that I must mention these, June 1.52, and Marion 1.55. A really notable performance for two first timers. Off now to the Whitby swim, as one might expect, everything laid on from the carrier bags to put your track suits in, to the Police escort at the finish, The start was every bit as much a challenge as last year (You ran like the clappers down the beach last year for about 50 yards out to sea) This year a surf board might have been some help, 200 yards of froth and foam, great stuff I thought, then I saw one of the official boats stand almost on its end, well done Jim, what's for next year, a water spout ? Bryan came in 2nd place R.G.W. and Percy Bull following up at the other end of the race. This was Percy's first sea event and he did very well in the conditions that day.

Trentham Gardens. Here Nigel Ramsay made his swim of the season, in fact he has been so busy bricklaying at home that it was his only swim of the season. Completing Trentham at that time of the year, and in a rather "keen" temperature was good going. Percy Bull, Bryan Finlay, Trevor Jones, R.G.W. and Gillian Powell all took part in the event.

Had the nerve to [illegible] with a collection of sprainers, some of the almost completing the course before the two W.L.D.S.A. entries had adjusted their goggles. Talking of goggles, as many of you know, the entry can be compared to an aerial ballet, you jump off the side of a landing craft (even a 16 stone Peter Pan) anyhow, Percy Bull lost his goggles somewhere on the way down. Now we know why the locals don't wear them in the first place.

The season over, no swims to go to, some of us are still going out to the "pit" for a Sunday morning dip. Well, it's either that or gardening !!

Hon. Secretary Rex. C.Williams.
20, Kimble Close,
Allesley Park,
Coventry.

[illegible] ASSOCIATION [illegible] AND CLUBS AFFILIATED TO THE BRITISH LONG DISTANCE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION.

Founded in 1962, this unique organisation is sometimes referred to as the Association of Active Founder Hon. Sec's, otherwise known as T.A.o.A.F.H.S.o. A.L.D.S.A.C. & C.a.t.t.B.L.D.S.A., and it has been called other names.

Qualification for membership may be inferred from its title. Membership consists of the Hon. General Secretary of the B.L.D.S.A., the Hon. Secretary of the Sandsend Whitby Championship, the Hon. Secretary of the Warwickshire L.D.S.A. and the Hon. Secretary of the Bala Lake Championship. After much deliberation it was decided to increase the membership by one fifth, and at the Annual Dinner of the Warwickshire L.D.S.A., the famous commentator and public orator, Frederick Charles Oldman, well known curly headed Yorkshireman, was given a place in the inner sanctum. Welcome to the Founder Hon. Secretary of the Torbay Championship.

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Our members have this year completed the following courses, Coniston two-way, Solent, Bala, Sandsend to Whitby and Poole Harbour.

The Association's distinctive Badge (designed in order that members shall recognise each other) is:- "A bent arm, with wet elbow, guarded by a Typewriter and Rotary Duplicator (both rampant) set upon a mount of pending correspondence." The application for a coat of arms is proceeding through the usual Heraldic channels. If and when this is granted, application to wear the coat of arms should be made to us, in Quintuplicate. Permission to wear it will only be granted to Pilot Life Savers and swimmers..... ....Think how useful the extra arms will be - rowing or swimming up Windermere !

J.K.S. and R.G.W.

F.M's c.t.i.c.A.F.I.S.o.A.L.D.S.A.C.&.C.a.t.t.B.L.D.S.A.

ENGLISH A.S.A. NATIONAL LONG DISTANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Approximately a four mile course in the River Wear at Durham, in June. Again a real cool swim, 53-54°. The Ladies were given the usual gallant and entirely unnecessary start and were then not seen again by the majority of the male competitors until the Presentation after the race. All but one of the competitors were members of the B.L.D.S.A. If there is to be a team prize in future, perhaps our members will bear this in

Mens Championship.

R.Johnson.	1.45.57.
Peter Hatfield.	1.57.51.
Norman Trusty.	1.58.54.
Frank Robson.	2.4.57.
Edward Bellerby.	
C.Gerald Forsberg.	
Selwyn Hird.	

Womens Championship.

Elaine Gray.	1.50.3.
Brenda Evans.	2.4.49.
P. Webb.	2.30.41.
Willy van Rysel.	2.55.

J.K.S. and P.F.

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[illegible] PROGRAMME 1964.

1. Windermere Cross Lake Championships. Approx. 1 mile. Average time 30 mins. Thur. 27th Aug. same week as S.[illegible] Windermere 10 mile Champ'ps. Silver trophies men & women. No age limit. Certificates. Hon. Sec. Derek Hewitson, "Coniston" Thornthwaite Road, Windermere, Westmorland. Entry fee 7/6d.

2. 3rd Bradford & District A.S.A. Junior "Harfe" Championship. Open to members residing within 15 miles of Bradford Town Hall. Approx. 1 mile. Thur. 18th June. Assemble Otley Pool 6.30 p.m. Closing date 11th June. Age limit 15. Trophies for 1st boy, 1st girl. Certificates. Hon. Sec. Derek Gill, 8, Bowker St., Great Horton, Bradford.

3. Double Bay Championships. Approx. 1½ miles. Average time 60 mins. Sat. 15th Aug. Report at [illegible].A.B.A. Clubhouse 1.30 p.m. Closing date 18th July. Silver trophies 1st man 1st woman. No age limit. Cert's and plaques. Alternative date 16th Aug. Hon. Sec. Angus Smith, c/o 10, Dalhousie Rd., Barnhill, Dundee. Entry fee £2.

4. Douglas Bay (I o M) Championships. Approx. 2 miles. Average time 1.15. Date not yet fixed. Usually Sunday mid-August. Men and women. Trophies 1st man 1st woman. Club trophy for points. Details from Publicity Officer, Douglas I. o. M.

5. 13th Morecambe Bay Inshore Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Average time 1.10. Men's heats Sun. 28th June. & Sun 12th July. Final Sunday 23rd Aug. Ladies Champ'p Sun.26th Jul[illegible]. Three Ladies, three Gent's trophies. Approx. £20 in prizes. Certificates. No age limit if proved ability. Club Badge. Alternative arrang'ts in Swimming Stadium. Hon. Sec. Arthur Shipley, "Lu-Mena" Caton Rd., Lancaster.

6. 4th Sandsend - Whitby Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Sat. 6th Aug. Average time 1.45. Report 1 p.m. Start 3 p.m. From Sandsend beach. Cert's. Trophies for men, women, boys, girls under 16 according to A.S.A. rules. Alternative arrangements that day or following day. Club Badge. Individual swims can be arranged. Hon. Sec. James Robinson, "33, Prospect Hill, Whitby. Yks. Entry fee £1.

7. 39th S.L.D.S.A. Bala Lake (North Wales) Senior Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Sat. 1st August. Average time 1.40. Trophies 1st man 1st woman. Certificates. 16 years and over. Entries close 4th July. Report 1.15 p.m. Loch Cafe Beach. Hon. Sec. Jack Somerfield.

[illegible] Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Bank Holiday Mon. 3rd Aug. Average time 1.40. Trophies, boys and girls 15 and under. Certificates. Entries close 4th July. Report at Loch Cafe beach 11.15am. Start at Llanllyn 1.30 p.m. Certificates. Entry fee £1. Hon. Sec. J.Somerfield (See No.7.)

9. Frautham Lake Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Sun. 20th September. Average time 1.45. Trophies 1st man 1st woman. Certificates. Report at Bathing Pool Cafe at 12 noon. Start at Motor Boat Landing Stage at 1.30 p.m. No competitor under 16 years on the day of the race. Hon. Sec. Jack Somerfield (See No. 7 & 8)

10. 3rd Poole Harbour Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Details not yet available. (I suggest you write to former Hon. Sec. Miss Jean M.Bartlett, 8, Churchfield Rd., Poole, Dorset.)

11. 2nd Exmouth Championships. Approx. 4½ miles. Sat. 20th June. Average time 1.45. Men only, 17 and over. Entry fee 5/- includes membership. From Temple Steps Exmouth Beach to Fairway Buoy and back. Prizes and certificates. Alternative arrangements for sheltered swim same day. Report Exmouth Swimming Pool [illegible]. Hon. Sec. Douglas Wm. Gilmore, 17, Liverpool Hall, Exmouth, Devon.

12. 3rd (post war) A.S.A.National Long Distance Championships. Approx. 5 [illegible] Anticipated average time 2.40. Sat. 13th June. Men & Women. Trophies [illegible] Certificates. Entry forms from John Wilson, Hon. Sec. N.C.A.S.A., 140, Manor Drive, Acomb, York.

13. Clyde First Championship. Approx. 5 miles. Average time 3 hours. Details not available. (I suggest you write to Robert McCaughy, 8, Kyle St., Greenock.)

14. Solent Swim. Ryde-Southsea, Southsea-Ryde, or two-way. Approx. 4½ miles one way. Certificates for individual swims. No race yet. Boat costs approx. £5.10.0d one way swim, £5 for two-way swim. Average time 2.30 men 3.15 women. Write for further information to A.J.(Tony) Moore, 72, Evelegh Rd., Farlington, Portsmouth.

14. 57th Morecambe Cross Bay Championships. Approx. 9 miles. Grange to Morecambe. Average time 3 hrs. Men's Championship Sat. 8th (or Sun 9th) Aug. Start 12.30pm. Ladies Champ'p Sat. 11th July, start 1.30pm. Entry fee £1. Men's alternative date 5th/6th Sept. Ladies alternative date 5th/6th Sept. Cross Bay team race 3 men per team, Sat. 13th June. Start 2.30pm. (if Bay conditions are unsuitable it will be held in the baths.) No entry fee for team race, but competitors must be members. Trophies, prizes and certificates or plaques. Hon. Sec. Jack Brown, 30, Acre Moss Lane, Morecambe. Tel. 10.

15. 2nd B.L.D.S.A. Bala Lake Two-Way Championships. Approx. 6 miles. Bank Holiday Mon. 3rd Aug. (see No.3 also.) Men & women, 16 and over. Certificates. Entry fee 30/- Average time 3.10. Report Loch Cafe Beach 10.30am. Start there at 11.30am. Entries close 4th July. Hon. Sec. Jack Somerfield, Tiddington Village Stores and Post Office, Tiddington, Stratford-upon-Avon. Warwickshire. Tel. 2005. S on Avon.

16. 7th B.L.D.S.A. Torbay Championships. Approx. 7½ miles. Torquay-Brixham-Torquay. Sat. 4th July. Average time 3.45. men. 4.30 women. Trophies, certificates. 16 years and over. Entry fee £2. Briefing meeting Fri. night at Spa. Report Sat. 10am. Marine Spa. Start 11 a.m. Beacon Cove. Reception & presentation in Marine Spa after swim. Hot baths for all. Hon. Sec. Fred C.Oldman, 163, Handley Rd., New Whittington, Chesterfield, Derbyshire.

17. 5th Ullswater Championships of Bradford & District L.D.S.C. Open to members within 15 mile radius of Bradford Town Hall. Approx. 7 miles, Sun. 19th July. Report 10.30am. Start 11am Glenridding Landing Stage. To Pooley Bridge. Trophies 1st man 1st woman. Average time 4.30. No age limit subject to proved ability. Present'n at Public Hall, Pooley Bridge after. Certificates. Hon. Sec. Derek Gill, 8, Bo.ker St., Great Horton, Bradford. (visit Coniston 27th/28th June)

18. 8th B.L.D.S.A. Windermere Championships. Approx. 10½ miles. Sat. 29th Aug. Average time 6.30. Men and women 16 and over. Report Fri. briefing meeting Albert Hotel, Bowness, 8 p.m. Start 9 a.m. Lakeside (or Ambleside, depending on wind direction) Trophies. Certificates. Presentation and buffet supper afterwards. Entries close 1st Aug. Hon. Sec. John O'Hara, 21, Woodhouse Grove, Fartown, Huddersfield. Yks.

19. 2nd Fleetwood to Morecambe Championships. Approx. 14 miles. Men & women, no age limit subject to proved ability. Trophies, plaques. Entry fee £1. Hon. Sec. Jack Brown, 30, Acre Moss Lane, Morecambe. Tel. 10. Sun. 5th July, Start 1pm.

20. 3rd Lancaster to Morecambe Championships. Approx. 20 miles. Sun. 21st June. Alternative date 5th July. Average time 7.30 St.rt at Blue Anchor Hotel, finish at Stone Jetty. Hon. Sec. Arthur Shipley, "Lu-Mena" Caton Rd., Lancaster.

21. B.L.D.S.A. Loch [illegible] Approx. [illegible] [illegible] in the world. Hon. Sec. George Owen, "Gwynfa" 22, Harbour Rd., Mobley, Bradford.

22. Schelde (Holland) Championships. Average time 1.15. B.L.D.S.A. to hold trial in May, select two representatives. All expenses paidby B.L.D.S.A. and Dutch organis Any member interested please write Fred C.Oldman, 163, Handley Rd., New Whittington Chesterfield. Derbyshire, immediately.

23. International Windermere Championship. 1966. Start training now. To be held over the 10½ mile course. Full details in due course.

24. Annual Dinner and Annual General Meeting. 14th/15th November, at Morecambe. To be held in the South in 1965. Any suggestions where ? London will be booked for our 10th Anniversary in 1966.

25. B.L.D.S.A. Ties. Design depicts swimmer and letters B.L.D.S.A. in repeated pattern in gold, on black Terylene. Price 15/- From Keith Seymour, 13, Hazelhurst Grove, Bradford 9. Gold wire blazer Badges only available to Windermere swimmers, committee members serving 2nd year of office and limited number of other members specially approved by the committee, also from Keith Seymour, price £5.

26. B.L.D.S.A. Blazer Badges (cloth) and Lapel Badges (metal) available from Treasurer, price £1, and 5/- respectively. Blazer Badges subject to [illegible] as in No. 25.

27. Pilot Life Saver Scheme. You are urged to qualify and give the benefit of your experience and assistance to others. Write to Hon. Secretary Wm. Anderson, 64, Festival Avenue, Orford, Warrington, Lancs. Successful candidates entitled to Association's Blazer Badge set on crossed oars.

28. Late entries are not accepted for any B.L.D.S.A. Championships - you have been warned.

29. Best wishes for a happy and successful season.

John R.Slater.
Hon. Secretary B.L.D.S.A.

[illegible] OPEN WATER ASSOCIATION.

[illegible], [illegible], 1965.

1. Windermere Cross Lake Championship. Approx. 1 mile. Average time 30 mins. Probably Thur. 5th Aug. same week as Derwent 10 mile Champ'ps. Trophies, men & women. No age limit. Certificates. New Hon. Sec. not yet appointed. Write c/o Derek Lewitson, 'Coniston' Thornthwaite Rd., Windermere, Westmorland.

2. 4th Bradford & Dist. ASA Junior "Double" Championships. Members must reside within 15 miles Bradford Town Hall. Approx. 2 miles. Thur. 24th June. Assemble Otley Bath 6.30pm. Age limit 15. Trophies, certificates. 1st Junior Derwentwater Championships, approx. 2 miles. 18th July. Conditions as above, and competitors must certify a prior swim of 2 miles. 5th Ullswater Championships. Approx. 7 miles. Men & women 16 and over. Sun. 22nd Aug. Trophies, certificates. Strong possibility venue may be changed to Coniston, 5½ miles. venue etc., to be decided by 1st June. Details for all three Championships from Derek Gill (Hon. Sec.) "Ashbourne Flat" Bradford Rd., Otley, Yks.

3. Double Bay Championship. Approx. 2½ miles. Average 1.15. Sat. 14th Aug. Report ASA Clubhouse, 1.30 pm Trophies, cert's, men & women. Hon. Sec. Mr. I.J.Brown, 10, Dalhousie Rd., Barnhill, Dundee. Entry fee £2.

4. Douglas Bay (I o M) Championships. Approx. 2 miles. 1.15. Date not fixed. Usually mid-Aug. Trophies men & women & Club. Details from Publicity Officer, Douglas I o M.

5. 2nd S.L.S.S.A. Fairhaven Lake Junior Championships. Lytham St. Annes. Blackpool. Sat. 19th June (subject to confirmation) at 12 noon. Approx. 2 miles. Average [illegible]. Two circuits of lake. Boys and girls under 16 on date. Trophies, certificates. 'By'safe' venue. Hon. Sec. Miss Stephanie McCaul. 20, North Park Rd., Bradford 9.

6. 24th Morecambe Bay Inshore Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Average time 1.10. Gent's Heats Sun. 20th June & 4th July. Final Sun. 15th Aug. Local Ladies 13th June. Ladies Open Heat Sun. 18th July. Final Sun. 15th Aug. Trophies men & women. No age limit if proved ability. Prizes, cert's, Club Badge. Alternative arrangements in Swim Stadium Presentation etc., 4pm 15th Aug. Corner House Cafe, Northumberland St. Hon. Sec. Arthur Shipley, "Lu Nenda" Caton Rd., Lancaster.

7. 5th Sandsend - Whitby Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Sat. 14th Aug. p.m. Average 1.22. Trophies, men & women, cert's. 18 and over, as A.S.A. Alternative arrangements that day or following. Club Badge. Individual swims can be arranged. Hon. Sec. James Robinson, 54, Melrose Avenue, Billingham on Tees. Co. Durham. Entry fee 2/-.

8. 8th S.L.S.S.A. Bala Lake (North Wales) Senior 3 mile Championships. Sat. 28th Aug. Average 1.40. Trophies men & women. Certificates. 16 & over. Report 1.15pm Loon Cafe Beach. Buffet & presentation after swim. Hon. Sec. Jack Somerfield, Village Stores & Post Office, Tiddington, Stratford on Avon. Warwks. Tel.2008.

9. 4th S.L.S.S.A. Bala Lake ½ mile Junior Championships. Bala Holiday Mon. 30th Aug. Average 1.40. Trophies, Boys & girls 15 & under. Certificates. Entry fee 2/-. (See No.8.)

10. 3rd Frentham Lake Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Sun. 19th Sept. Average 1.45. Trophies, men & women. Certificates. Report Bathing Pool 12 noon. Over 16 on day. Presentation etc., after swim. Hon. Sec. Peter Forrest, "Culham" Forrest Lane, Yarm. Kirklevington, Yks. N.R.

11. 6th Poole Harbour Championships. Approx. 3 miles. Details not yet available. Write Miss Jean M.Bartlett, 8, Churchfield Rd., Poole, Dorset.

12. 3rd Exmouth Championships. Approx. 4½ miles. Sun. 20th June. Average 1.45. Men only, 17 & over. Entry fee 5/- includes membership. Prizes & certificates. Alternative arrangements sheltered swim same day. Report Exmouth Pool 3 p.m. Meet Orchard Cafe after swim. Hon. Sec. Douglas A.Dinmore, 17, Harpool Hill, Exmouth. Devon.

13. 4th (post-war) ASA National Long Distance Championships. Should be 5 miles. Sat. 26th June. Men and women. Trophies, medals, cert's. Entry forms from Hon. Sec. A.S.A. Alderman H.E.Fern, C.B.E. J.P. 64, Cannon St., London. E.C.4. Please enter as "S.L.S.S.A.

14. Clyde Firth Championship. Approx. 5 miles. Average time 3 hrs. No details available. (I suggest you write Robert McConachy, 8, Lyle St. Greenock.)

15. Solent Swim. Ryde - Southsea, Southsea - Ryde, or two-way. Approx. 4½ one way. Certificates for individual swims. No race yet. Boat costs approx. £3.10.0d one way, £5 two way. Average 2.30 men. 3.15 women. Write for further information to A.J.(Tony) Moorey, 72, Evelegh Rd., Purlington, Portsmouth.

16. 2nd S.L.S.S.A. Irish Championship. Ramsden to Ballycastle. 4½ miles. Sat. 10th July. Average 2 hrs. 10 mins. Temp. 55F. Only three more competitors to be selected. Write to Hon. Sec. Kendall Mellor, Station Rd., Steeton, near Keighley. Yks.

17. 65th Morecambe Cross Bay Championships. Approx. 9 miles. Grange to Morecambe. Average 3.15. Mens' Championship Sat. 31st July, (or 1st 28th 29th Aug. 25th 26th Sept.) Womens Championship same day. Entry fee 21/-. Cross Bay Team race, 3 men per team, 6th June. No entry fee for team race if competitors are members. If bay conditions are unsuitable the team race will be held in the Swim Stadium. Trophies, certificates, prizes or plaques for all events. Hon. Sec. Jack Brown, 30, Acre Moss Lane, Morecambe. Tel.20.

18. 3rd B.L.D.S.A. Bala Lake Two-Mile Championships. Approx. 6 miles. Bank Holiday Mond. 30th Aug. Men & Women 16 and over. Trophies and certificates. Entry fee 30/-. Average 3.10. Report Loch Cafe beach 10.30 am. Start there 11.30am. See No's 8 and 9.

19. 8th B.L.D.S.A. Torbay Championships. Approx. 7½ miles. Torquay-Brixham-Torquay. Sat. 3rd July. Average 3.45. Trophies, certificates. Men & Women, 16 and over. Entry fee £2. Briefing Meeting Fri. 8pm at Spa. Report Sat. 10 am. Marine Spa. Start 11am Beacon Cove. Reception & presentation in Spa after swim, 9.30pm. Hot Baths for all. Hon. Sec. Fred C.Oldman, 163, Handley Rd., New Whittington. Chesterfield. Derbyshire.

20. 6th Lancaster to Morecambe Championships. Approx. 20 miles. Sun. 22nd Aug. Average 7.30. Start at Blue Anchor Hotel, finish at Stone Jetty. Hon. Sec. Arthur Shipley, "Lu-Mena" Caton Rd., Lancaster.

21. 9th B.L.D.S.A. Windermere Championships. Approx. 10½ miles. Sat. 7th Aug. Average 6.30. Men and women 16 and over. Trophies and certificates. Report Fri. briefing meeting at Crown Hotel, Bowness, 8 p.m. Start 9 am Lakeside or Ambleside (depending on wind direction and strength). Presentation and buffet supper at Crown at 8 pm. Entries close 10th July. Hon. Sec. John O'Hara, 21, Wood House Grove, Hartown, Huddersfld.

22. 3rd Fleetwood to Morecambe Championship. Approx. 16 miles. Men and Women, of prove ability. Trophies, plaques. Entry fee £1. Sun. 20th June. Alternative 11th July, 22nd Aug. Average 5.30. Hon. Sec. Jack Brown, 30, Acre Moss Lane, Morecambe. Tel.20.

23. Bradford & District L.D.S.A. 2-Day Windermere Championship. 20½ miles. Start 11 P.M. Sat. 3rd Sept. Average time 15 hrs. An inaugural Championship. Hon. Sec. Derek Gill, "Westbourne View" Bradford Rd., Otley. Yks. Open Championship.

24. 2nd B.L.D.S.A. Loch Lomond Championships. Approx. 23 miles. Average time 17.30. The longest and toughest amateur Championship in the world. Will be held in 1967. Hon. Sec. George Owen, "Gwynfa" 22, Harbour Road, Gibsey, Bradford.

25. Scheldt (Holland) International Championships. Usually 1st Sat. in July. Average 7.15. B.L.D.S.A. hold trial 12 noon Sun.13th June at Langold Lake, Nr. Worksop, to select our rep.(s). All expenses paid by B.L.D.S.A. and Dutch Organisers. Langold Lake - A.60, 5 miles from Blyth & Worksop, 11 miles South of Doncaster. Closing date 24th May. Write to Liason Officer Fred C Oldman, 163, Handley Rd., New Whittington, Chesterfield. Derby. Home 51100. Office 77271. Ext. 217.

26. International Windermere Championship. To be held in 1966, our 10th Anniversary. Details from B.L.D.S.A. Hon. Sec. John M.Slater.

27. B.L.D.S.A. Annual Dinner and A.G.M. 13th/14th Nov. at Bath. A most interesting an historic venue, with a Sunday morning swim in what may well have been the first "Bath" ever constructed in this country. All arrangements by Commander C.Gerald Forsberg, O.B.E. R.N. of Bath.

28. Channel Swimming Association annual Dinner and A.G.M. May 15th/16th. at Lydd and Dover respectively. Write to C.S.A. Hon. Sec. Miss I.Kellam-Smith, "White Stacks" Walnut Tree Lane, Loose, Maidstone, Kent.

29. B.L.D.S.A. Ties. Price 15/- from Keith Seymour, 13, Hazelhurst Grove, Bradford 9. Gold Wire Blazer Badges, £3 for Windermere swimmers and committee members serving a second year of office.

30. B.L.D.S.A. Blazer Badges. Cloth 4/-. Lapel Badges, Metal, 5/-, from G.Trevor Smith, Hon. Treasurer, 30, Oak Tree Terr. Lepton. Huddersfield. Qualification for Blazer Badges as in No. 29.

31. Pilot Life-Saver Scheme. You are urged to qualify and give the benefit of your experience and assistance to others. Write to Hon. Sec. Wm. Anderson, 64, Festival Avenue, Orford, Warrington. Lancs. Successful candidates entitled to wear Association Blazer Badge set on crossed oars.

32. Late entries are not accepted for any B.L.D.S.A. Championships. You have been warned. Write for entry forms etc., NOW.

Best Wishes for a happy and successful season.

B.L.D.S.A. Hon. General Secretary
John M.Slater. 29, St. Albans Avenue,
BLYTH. Tel. Home 60229.

ADDENDUM.
No.13 held in River Wear
at Durham.

RECORD OF INDIVIDUAL SWIMS BY MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The most popular of the Association's swim courses are in the English Lake District, where there are safe and strong boats always available, clear water, and a straight course without tides, currents or hazards. The list of Windermere swimmers is contained in the Annual Windermere Championship Programme, but there has never been an official record kept of the Coniston and Ullswater swims. I have compiled a list of swimmers who have completed the course in these two swims, and I should be glad if those of you whom it may concern would check your name, the year and the duration of the swim, and let me know if there are any ommissions or mistakes.

CONISTON. (5½ miles)

1958.	Jack Kerwin.	3.23.
1959.	Jack Kerwin.	3.46.
	Derek Gill.	4. 5.
	Cyril Huggins.	4.19.
	+Veronica Anderson.	1.55.
1960.	Ruth Oldham.	3.23.
	Cyril Huggins.	3.24.
	Arthur Ayres.	3.15.
	Derek Gill.	4.59.
	Arthur Endersby.	3.30.
	Ernest Hunt.	4.30.
	Peter Fergus.	3.0.
	Bryan Finlay.	3.0.
	Jack Stockmans.	3.35.
1961.	Derek Gill.	3.55.
	Gerald Forsberg.	3. 5.
	Bryan Finlay.	2.33.56.
	Rex Williams.	3.21.
1962.	Bryan Finlay.	3.26.
	Tony Moorey.	2.33.
	Keith Seymour.	3. 3.
	Kendall Mellor.	2.55.
1963.	Derek Gill.	2.49.
	John K.Slater.	2.30.47.
	Frank Robson.	2.54.
	Kendall Mellor.	3. 9.
	Graham McIntyre.	4. 8.
	Dorothy Perkins.	2.49.37.
	Jack Somerfield.	3.30.
	John Heapy.	3.15.
	Jeffrey Taylor.	2.53.
	Peter Forrest.	3.52.
	Robert Keating.	3.25.
	Bryan Finlay.	2.31.54.
	Brian Morris.	2.25.
	Kendall Mellor.	3. 9.
	Martin McNulty	3.30.
1964.	Derek Gill.	4.11.
	Danny Robinson.	3.25.
	John Taylor.	3.41.
	Bryan Finlay.	2.53.35.
	Brenda Sherratt.	4.50.
	David Sykes.	3.57.
	Robert Keating.	3.20.
	Colin Procter.	2.37.23.
	Barry Watson.	2.48.
	Ian Thompson.	3.51.
	Susan Shallcross.	3.52.
	Selwyn Hird.	3.46.
	Arthur Williams.	4. 5.
	Brenda Evans.	2.35.
1965.	June Birchall.	3.23.
	Christina Genge.	3.15.
	Colin Procter.	2.32.
	John Slater.	2.54.
	Carol Jeffs.	3.24.
	Derek Gill.	3.21.
	Christine Young.	3.32.
	Selwyn Hird.	3.48.
	Bryan Finlay.	2.49.
	Rex Williams.	4.12.
	Denis Sullivan.	3.21.

CONISTON TWO-DAY. (10⅔ miles)

1961.	Derek Gill.	8.56.
1963.	Derek Gill.	7.34.
1964.	John K.Slater.	6.28. 8.

+ Short course.

ULLSWATER. (7¾ miles)

1959.	Jack Kerwin.	4.49.
	Ruth Oldham.	5.50.
	Derek Gill.	6.12.
1960.	John K.Slater.	3.52.50.
	Keith Seymour.	4.34.25.
	Geof. Wilson.	3.40.
	Frank Robson.	3.54.
	Keith Seymour.	4.12.
	Kendall Mellor.	4.18.
	Jack Kerwin.	4.40.
	Dorothy Perkins.	4.13.
	Arthur Endersby.	4.40.
1961.	Gerald Forsberg.	3.58.30.
	Keith Dennett.	4.23.
	Frank Robson.	5. 6.
	George Foote.	6.15.
	Derek Gill.	7.10.
	Dorothy Perkins.	6.24.
1962.	Frank Robson.	4.30.
	Kendall Mellor.	4.34.
	Dorothy Perkins.	5.10.
1963.	Barry Watson.	3.17.
	Dorothy Perkins.	4. 2.
1964.	Bryan Finlay.	4.31.16.
1965.	N.K. (!) (?)	

ULLSWATER TWO-DAY.

1961.	Ruth Oldham.	10.40.

OPEN WATER FIVE MILES.

Thames Estuary.
1960. Margaret White. 3.5.

Weston Super Mare to Watchett.
1965. C.Gerald Forsberg. 5.52.

Weston Super Mare to Penarth. 9 miles.
1964. C.Gerald Forsberg. 3.40.

Loch Lomond. 22 miles.
1959. C.Gerald Forsberg. 15.32.
1960. Susan Baddeley. [illegible]

Dover to Deal. 9 miles.
1959. Dr. G.B.Brewster. 2.45.

Eddystone Lighthouse to Plymouth. 15 miles.
1914. Jabez Wolfe. 10.45.2.

Kircaldy to Portobello. 11 miles.
Helge Jensen. 6.20. in 1961.

Weymouth-Lulworth Cove & back. 20 miles.
1965. Gregory Schofield. 10.40.
" Phillip Gollop. 10.55.

Dover-Ramsgate.
1950. Willy v.Rysel. 5.15.
Tom Blower.

Dungeness - Hythe.
1950. Willy van Rysel. 6.55.

Windermere. 10 miles.
All swims recorded on Annual Windermere Championship programme.

Torbay.
All swims recorded on Annual Torbay Championship programme.

Solent.
All swims recorded by Solent Swimming Club.

Channel.
All swims recorded by Channel Swimming Association.

Bala two-way. 6 miles.
All swims recorded by Bala U.D.C. & Bala Championship Hon. Sec.

Wash. 16 miles.
1928. Mercedes Gleitz. 15.17.

Dunbeltown Loch to Barmadale Bay. 11 miles.
C.Gerald Forsberg. 5.58.

Loch Ness. 23 miles.
The only unconquered stretch of water in Great Britain.

[illegible]
1963. C.Gerald Forsberg. 4.32.

Lower Lake Killarney. 6 miles.
1963. John Earls. 3.2.

Lough Neagh. 20 miles.
Jack McClelland.
1959. C.Gerald Forsberg. 13.12.

Shannon Airport to Limerick.
1964. John Earls. 4.20.

Lower Lough Derg. 10 miles.
1963. John Earls. 6.29.

[illegible]
1958. John A.Jones. 5.-.

Sark to Guernsey.
1961. Ruth Oldham. 5.21.

St. Helier Harbour to Corbiere Lighthouse and back.
Denize le Pennec. 6.5. in 1965.

Blackhead to Salthill.
1964. Margaret Erridge. 7.25.

Scotland to Ireland. 22 miles.
Tom Blower. 15.26.

Lake Ontario. 30 miles.
1956. Brenda Fisher. 18.51.
Marilyn Bell.
Johnny Jaremy.

Cook Strait. 14 miles.
1962. Barrie Devenport. 11.20.

Dead Sea. 9 miles (across)
1959. A.Griffin. 7.0.
" B.Johnson. 7.0.

Juan de Fuca Strait. 18 miles.
1957. Bert Thomas. 11.17.
1958. Cliff Lumsden. 11.35.
1960. Helge Jensen.

Lake Michigan.
1961. Ted Erikson. 36.45.

Manhatton Island. 29 miles.
1959. Diane Strouble. 11.16.

Mississipi. 298 miles.
John V.Sigmund. 39.48.
1961. Antonio Abertondo. 262 miles. 72.18.

Ceylon - India.
A.Navaratswamy. 27.0.

Corsica to Sardinia.
Harry Briggs. 10.29.

Straits of Gibralter. 9 miles.
Jaime Cortazar.
Jack McClelland.
B. Periera. 5.4.

[illegible]
Greta Anaerson. 28.25 or 26.25.

Volga. 95 miles.
A.Vtorova. 27.59.43.

This list is obviously far from complete, but at any rate it is a start on the subject. Further information on any swims (other than in Championships) of 5 miles or more will be welcomed by the Association's 'Keeper of Records' :-

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