# Elaine K. Howley

## Marathon Swims Completed

- 3<sup>rd</sup> person to complete the Triple Crown of Monster Swims:
  - » 21.5-mile solo crossing of Lake Tahoe, California/Nevada (July 5-6, 2016, 15:27:04)
  - » 22.2-mile solo crossing of Loch Ness, Scotland (August 22, 2015, 13:21) 3<sup>rd</sup> American, ~13<sup>th</sup> swimmer in history
  - » 25-mile Length of Lake Memphrémagog, 4<sup>th</sup> place finish in the inaugural In Search of Memphré (September 11, 2011, 17:58)
- 32<sup>nd</sup> person to complete the Triple Crown of Open Water Swimming:
  - » 21-mile English Channel (August 3, 2009, 13:55)
  - » 28.5-mile around Manhattan Island Marathon Swim (June 6, 2009, 8:39:50)
  - » 20-mile Catalina Channel (September 22, 2008, 10:57:44)
- 17.5-mile Ederle Swim (October 2, 2011)
- 8-mile Boston Light Swim, Boston Harbor (August 2006, 2007, 2008)
- 10-mile Kingdom Swim, Newport, VT (July 2010 and July 2013)
- Swim Across America Long Beach 10K (September 2012)
- Flat River Reservoir 10K (September 2007, 2009, 2011)
- Lake Del Valle 10K (June 2015)
- 7-mile Around Lido Key Swim, Sarasota, Florida (April 2016)

#### **Record Swims**

- First solo, lengthwise crossing of Lake Pend Oreille in northern Idaho (32.3 miles, July 31, 2014, 20:25:55)
- Fastest double-crossing of the Boston Harbor completed as a tandem solo swim with Greg O'Connor (16 miles, August 12, 2010 7:07:48)

#### Other Notable Swim Events

- 24-hour training swim in Lake Cochituate, Wayland, MA (Covered approximately 38 miles, water temp 68 to 72 degrees, June 20-21, 2014)
- 10 miles in the North Channel, (between Northern Ireland and Scotland) July 30, 2013 (Swim terminated after 5 hours 15 minutes due to excessive jellyfish stings, water temp 51-52 degrees)
- Ice Mile, Boston Harbor (Water temp 41 degrees, 1.07 miles, December 8, 2012, 29:18)
- 50-50 Narragansett Bay Swim, RI, a tandem solo 50-mile ocean swim attempt with Ray Gandy. Completed 26.1 miles in 14:48 before terminating swim due to sea lice (July 2011; record for longest solo swim by a female in Narragansett Bay)
- 12.5-mile around Key West Swim (June 2007, about 5 hours; race cancelled by Coast Guard while in progress, finished anyway after a short break—and half a beer!—on a support boat)
- 21-mile Lake George Professional Marathon Swim (June 30, 2007; swim called at 12 hours for darkness; awarded \$1,000 4<sup>th</sup> place prize)

#### Volunteer Experience

- Boston Light Swim Race Co-Director (2009 to present; lead director in 2015 and 2016)
- Massachusetts Open Water Swimming Association (MOWSA) Co-Founder/Vice President (December 2011 to present)
- Marathon Swimmers Federation Leadership Committee (January 2014 to present)
- Marathon Swimmers Federation Rules of Marathon Swimming Co-Author (January 2014)
- Selection Committee Member, NEKOWSA's In Search of Memphré (2011 to 2015)
- Selection Committee Member for NYC Swim's Manhattan Island Marathon Swim (2010 to 2013)
- Swim Across America Events Volunteer
  - » Swim Angel: Boston Harbor Swim (2008 to present)

- » Swim Angel: Nantasket Beach Swim (2008 to 2015)
- » Volunteer/Swimmer: April Pool Relays at Harvard (2012 to present)
- » Boston events steering committee member (2008 to present)
- » Boston events social media coordinator (2015)
- Two-term Board of Directors member, New England Masters Swim Club (October 2008 to October 2012)

#### Official Observer

- Helen Lin's 16-mile Boston Light Double solo swim (August 7, 2015)
- Courtney Paulk's record-setting 19-mile cross Cape Cod Bay solo swim (September 2, 2014)
- MOWSA Ice Miles: Helen Lin, Rena Demeo, Paula Yankauskas, and Kellie Joyce (December 2014); Marty McMahon, Jonathan Gladstone, and Scott Dalrymple (December 2013); Greg O'Connor (April 2013)
- Mo Seigel's 19-mile cross Cape Cod Bay solo swim, (August 17, 2013)

#### Crew

- Bill Shipp's Catalina Channel crossing (September 2015)
- Jen Dutton's unprecedented 34.3-mile solo A-B-C crossing of Keuka Lake, NY (August 2015)
- Andrew Malinak's 20-mile Tacoma to Seattle solo swim (June 2015)
- Bill Shipp's English Channel crossing (September 2014)
- In Search of Memphre (safety boat, 2013 & 2014)
- Boston Light Swim (safety boat, 2009- present)
- Greg O'Connor's Manhattan Island Marathon Swim (June 2011)
- Greg O'Connor's Catalina Channel Swim (September 2010)
- Karen Gaffney's Boston Light Swim (support swimmer and crew, October 2009)

### <u>Coach/Guide</u>

- SwimVacation trip to BVI, March 2012
- Masters coach, Longfellow Sports Club 2007 to 2009 (USMS Level 3 Certified Coach)
- USMS Adult Learn-to-Swim Certified Instructor

#### **Relevant Professional Experience**

- Publications Manager, U.S. Masters Swimming (April 2013 to present)
- Freelance Editor, NYC Swim (November 2011 to December 2012; March 2014 to August 2014)
- Freelance Contributing Writer, U.S. Masters Swimming (May 2009 to April 2013)
- Contributing Writer, H2Open magazine, London, UK (November 2011 to present)
- Contributing Writer, *espnW*, (February 2011 to August 2012)
- Volunteer Editor, New England Masters Swimming (September 2007 to December 2012)

## Swimming-Related Publishing Credits

- AARP.org
- espnW
- *Triathlete* magazine
- *H2Open* magazine

- SWIMMER magazine
- Sandpoint Magazine
- Athleta's Chi Blog
- Tales of the Beer Baby

#### Awards & Honors

- Ambassador for Ultima Replenisher electrolyte replacement product (October 2015 to present)
- Finalist for the Marathon Swimmers Federation 2014 Barra Award for the most impressive body of work in marathon swimming in a single year
- Nominated for World Open Water Swimming Association (WOWSA)'s 2014 World Open Water Swimming
  Woman of the Year Award
- Athleta Sponsored Athlete 2013, contributing articles to the clothing company's Chi blog

## Selected Media Mentions

- <u>«Solo Swim Lake Pend Oreille»</u> documentary film by Scott Rulander
- NPR's All Things Considered, U.S. Winter Swimming Championships
- Boston Globe, <u>2015 U.S. Winter Swimming Championships</u>
- Boise Weekly, Lake Pend Oreille Success
- Waltham Patch, <u>When the Blizzard Gets Tough, the Tough Go Swimming</u>
- KPLU, <u>Wild Swimmers</u>
- Idaho Spokesman, Swimmer Strokes Across 34-Miles in Lake Pend Oreille
- Couer d'Alene Press, Lake Pend Oreille Success
- Swim Vortex, Jim Doty Memorial Clocks Dedication
- Bonner County Daily Bee, Lake Pend Oreille Success
- WBUR, Boston Light Double
- SwimSwam, MSF Publishes Rules of Marathon Swimming
- Boston Globe, Waltham Woman Conquers Mt. Everest of Swimming
- Boston Globe, <u>Waltham Coach Swims English Channel</u>
- TriDigest, <u>Q&A with Channel Swimmer Elaine Howley</u>
- Daily News of Open Water Swimming, <u>Globe Video of BLS Double</u>
- Warwick University, Channel Swimming Mementos
- Emerson Alumna Breaks 41-Year-Old Record for Fastest Double Crossing Swim of Boston Harbor
- Peace Corps Connects <u>Community News</u>
- Newport Dispatch News, In Search of Memphre 2014

#### **Education**

**EMERSON COLLEGE**, Boston, MA, September 2004 to May 2006 **MASTER OF ARTS** in Publishing and Writing, Creative Nonfiction concentration

**EMERSON COLLEGE**, Boston, MA, September 2003 to May 2004 **GRADUATE CERTIFICATE** in publishing

**GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY**, Washington, D.C., September 1996 to May 2000 **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE** in Language, Double Major: German and Studio Art Women's Varsity Swimming & Diving; Freshman Crew