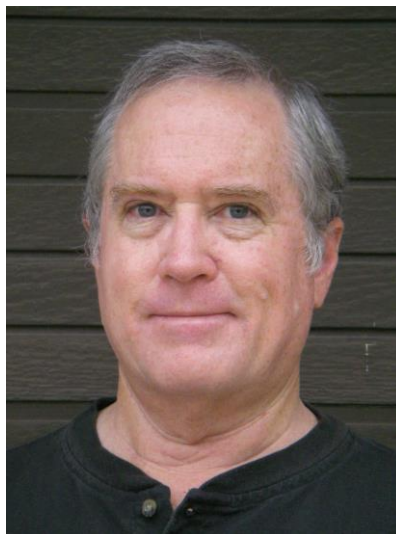




David Stevens Clark, Honor Administrator, United States of America, 2004



Videos: [Interview 1](#) [Swim 1 at 9:13 and 23:31](#)

David Stevens Clark was a leading figure as a coach, paddler, observer and safety guru of the Catalina Channel Swimming Federation for more than 3 decades. He took part in over half of all Catalina Channel swims between 1984 and 2004. Based on this experience David led the development of the safety practices/procedures and mandatory observer trainings which are arguably the best for any of the global marathon organizations. He also shared this knowledge with other organizations such as the Santa Barbara Channel Swimming Association.

David was also an accomplished marathon swimmer with a 1986 crossing of the Catalina Channel in 12 hours and 34 minutes and in 1988 the English Channel in 9 hours and 47 minutes.

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