

RNLI Courtmacsherry Open Water Swim 2013

Swim moved into Harbour.

The third annual Courtmacsherry swim took place on September 28th outside Courtmacsherry hotel. This was due to adverse weather conditions on Blind Strand.



Swimmers before start

The swim had a 1.5K option (1 lap) or a 3K option (2 laps), with 53 of the 79 swimmers taking the longer option. The swimmers had to exit the water at the end of lap 1 and run a short distance on the beach prior to starting lap 2.

The swim was supported by 8 kayakers and I'd like to thank each of them. John Crotty, Annalise Dressel, Dorothy Grimes, Cian Walsh, Cath Russell, David and Kev. Thanks also to Colin Cashman, Seamus and Mairead Barry and the lifeboat crew for the boat support. The rowing club for allowing us to use their markers. Carol Cashell and Dave Maxwell on time keeping. Lisa Cummins and Finola Roycroft on registration and Olan and Barry for parking. I'd also like to thank Ken Cashman for all the work he did in helping me organise this including liaising with the lifeboat crew, sorting out the markers and organizing boat support. Big thanks also to Derek Van Der Byl for the photos. You can see all 224 here <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/0oif27mssb4nthi/9WuINewHVP>.



Swim Start



The pier at Courtmacsherry.

After the swim the RNLI volunteers had prepared warm welcoming soup and sandwiches for the swimmers (which they devoured). We also were provided with the most delicious cupcakes by some swimmers/bakers. Excellent treats all around.

First swimmer home for the 3K was Ethan O'Brien who won by a colossal 8 minutes!



Ethan cruising after lap 1.

For the majority of swimmers it was a fun day out and an opportunity to test themselves in a 1.5K or 3K distance swim. All swimmers received a swim hat from our sponsor Trend Micro. Well done to all.



Of course, for some there is a competitive element. The winner of each category, received a domed cap from our sponsor. Here is this list of category winners

	Men	Women	Men Suits	Women Suits
1.5K	Ned Irwin	Anne Hennessy	Connell O'Herlihy	Niamh Monoley
3K	Ned Dennison	Roisin Lewis	Aaron O'Brien	Eleanor Courtney

Here are the results of the swim:

Number	Name			Togs/wetsuit	Time
120	Connell	O'Herlihy	M	W	18.43
327	Niamh	Moloney	F	W	20.31
101	Orla	Houlihan	F	W	20.43
121	Nathan	Holding	M	W	20.53
126	Ned	Irwin	M	T	22.03
113	Sarah	Twomey	F	W	23.06
124	Declan	McCarthy	M	W	23.56
119	Tom	O'Herlihy	M	W	24.57
108	Michael	Fogarty	M	W	25.30
111	Ros	O'Brien	F	W	27.17
104	Tom	McCarthy	M	T	27.33
317	Wendy	O'Leary	F	W	28.52
116	Ken	Cashman	M	T	29.20
118	Anne	Hennessy	F	W	30.45
112	Denis	Condon	M	W	31.25
106	Mike	Harris	M	T	31.30
127	Michael	Kilcully	M	W	32.10
110	Anne	Sheehy	F	W	32.14
115	Jim	Burns	M	W	33.18
105	Colm	Lehane	M	W	33.38
117	Paul	Barry	M	W	35.51
109	Aisling	Barry	F	T	37.27
107	Angela	Harris	F	T	37.39
103	Joe	Cashman	M	T	38.46
351	Patrick	Desmond	M	T	45.40

1.5K

3K

Number			M/F	Wetsuit/togs	Time
339	Ethan	O'Brien	M	W	31.47
325	Ned	Denison	M	T	38.59

343	Eddie	Irwin	M	T	39.31
333	Adrian	Healy	M	W	39.57
342	Brian	O'Shea	M	W	40.04
312	Thomas	Neville	M	W	40.15
301	Eleanor	Courtney	F	W	43.21
329	Craig	Morrisson	M	T	44.15
344	Rob	Bohane	M	T	46.06
322	Caimin	Crowley	M	W	46.19
326	David	O'Leary	M	W	46.42
324	Paul	Herlihy	M	W	46.52
114	Eilish	Wilcox	F	W	47.04
321	Bebhinn	Crowley	F	W	47.09
334	Jean Luc	Morales	M	W	47.19
331	Fergus	Galvin	M	W	47.20
335	Sean	Keohane	M	W	47.38
346	Mark	Nolan	M	W	47.53
309	Mona	Sexton	F	W	48.03
129	Roy	McKnight	M	W	48.27
308	Declan	O'Keeffe	M	T	48.29
341	David	Pegler	M	W	48.39
313	Gary	Quin	M	W	49.07
340	Gordan	Adair	M	W	49.44
123	Bridgit	Lehane	F	W	49.58
303	Louise	Dunne	F	W	50.25
345	Riana	Parsons	F	W	50.29
310	Aidan	O'Herlihy	M	T	50.34
349	Cyril	Desmond	M	W	51.23
347	Kieran	Doyle	M	W	51.36
323	David	Dineen	M	W	51.49
311	Dave	Mulcahy	M	T	51.51
328	Der	Moloney	M	W	52.16
304	Mark	McGarry	M	W	52.18
302	Sonya	Palmer	F	W	53.08
315	Sally	Cudmore	F	W	53.36
338	Mike	Sullivan	M	W	54.00
348	Jane	O'Toole	F	W	54.29
350	Brian	Harrington	M	W	55.30
314	Tony	Archer	M	T	55.41
318	Sevy	McCullagh	M	T	57.44
330	Roisin	Lewis	F	T	58.50
336	Keith	Hyde	M	W	58.52
307	Adam	Blaiklock	M	W	59.53
332	Shane	O'Donovan	M	W	1.00.01
320	Manu	Nadal	M	W	1.00.15

316	Ruth	McSweeney	F	W	1.01.35
306	Aidan	Mangan	M	W	1.02.05
337	Conor	Mannion	M	W	1.02.48
102	Maeve	Mulcahy	F	T	1.05.54
125	Nora	Irwin	F	T	1.06.40
305	Kieran	Callinan	M	W	1.07.04
319	Noel	Quin	M	W	1.08.40

We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Regards,

Ray McArdle

Courtmacsherry RNLI swim organiser.