



Swim Champion John Bell, '54

John Bell was co-captain of the AMA swimming team in 1954.

He also played varsity football... baseball... tennis...and lacrosse at Augusta.



But his first love was AMA swimming pool - the world's coldest pool!.

John Bell was the Southern Interscholastic Champion in both swimming **and** diving.

John had an Alpha rating as an All American Scholastic diver.

At VMI... he was in the 150 yard medley Southern Conference championship.

John won the 100 meter butterfly while swimming on both the freshman and varsity swim team at the Institute.

When his swimming coach left VMI to go to the University of Maryland... John transferred to Maryland.

At Maryland, Bell went on to win nine Atlantic Coast Conference swimming and diving championships.

He received the Charles McCormick Award given to the Maryland senior who made the greatest contribution to the swim team.

Between 1948 and 1952, John was champion in the National Philippine Championships.

He also was a medalist in the Philippine Islands National Championship.

John Bell is a swimmer without peer. A record setter at two colleges which is probably a record in itself!



John Bell poolside
at AMA

