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Title	First Name	Last Name	Notes	County
Mr	Sean	Swift (JIT) – <i>unable to attend</i>	On the morning of the 26 th April 2005, Sean Swift observed a person in difficulty in the water at the Old Shambles River, Monaghan. Without any hesitation Sean got into the water and swam over 12 ft to reach the person in distress and brought them to the riverbank to safety.	Monaghan
Garda	Sean	O Meara (JIT)	On the evening of the 6 th of August, Garda O Meara received a report from Thomastown Station that a person was in difficulty at the River Barrow Bahana. On arriving at the scene Garda O Meara searched the riverbank and located a person submerged in the water about fifty feet from their vehicle and close to the riverbank. Garda O Meara tried to reach this person from the Safety of the riverbank but was unable to do so until 4 passers by came to his aid. Garda O Meara entered the water and with the assistance of Mr Peter Walsh, Paul Walsh, Pat O Donohoe & Martin O Reilly was able to pull the person to safety from the water by the method of extended reach rescue.	Kilkenny
Mr	Peter	Walsh (Rescue Apprec)		Dublin
Mr	Paul	Walsh (Rescue Apprec)		Dublin
Mr	Peter	O Donohoe (Rescue Apprec)		Dublin
Mr	Martin	O Reilly (Rescue Apprec)		Dublin

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Garda	David	Gilmore (JIT)	While Garda David Gilmore was on patrol on Friday 2 nd of September 2005 at Goldenbridge Walk, Dublin he noticed a body lying face up in the Cammock River, he immediately summoned assistance from the Dublin Fire Brigade. While observing the body in the river he noticed a slight movement to the head of the body. He immediately climbed down the sixty-foot steep slope through briars and bushes towards the body and waded into the river, which is approximately two to three feet deep. He then pulled the body to safety from the river to the riverbank where he performed first aid on person and stayed with them until the ambulance arrived.	Dublin

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Ms	Helen	Barr (JIT)	Helen Barr from Rathfarnham used her lifeguard skills to save a boy and girl from drowning when they were sucked underwater by rip tides off the coast of Terrmelinos. She was swimming in the sea when she heard a man screaming for help. He feared his children were drowning. Helen duck-dived under the water to look for them. Immediately, she saw the boy and managed to grab his ankle and pull him up onto her boogie board. She went back under and saw his older sister. Helen pulled her up and told her to hang onto the board. She then swam with them on her boogie board for 20 metres back to shore to safety.	Dublin
Mr Mr	Corabh Andy	Wise (JIT) Ramsbottom (JIT)	On the evening of Sunday 17 th April 2005 the fire service received a call from the Gardai. Two boys were trapped in the River Breaghagh. Within minutes Kilkenny City Tender was in attendance. The Fire Service immediately lowered a 35ft ladder with great difficulty into the floodwaters. Corabh Wise and Andy Ramsbottom	Kilkenny

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			wearing lifejackets descended the ladder and after a number of attempts in treacherous conditions to reach the two boys they managed to pull them one by one from the river to safety.	
Ms	Michela	Doyle (JIT)	A lady got into difficulties after entering the water at East Pier, Dun Laoghaire. Michela followed her out, kept her parallel to the shore (1 km off), talked her out of suicide, and attempted to return to back of West Pier. Both were eventually seen and rescued by Dun Laoghaire Lifeboat, using night vision equipment.	Dublin
Mr	Jimmy	Walsh (JIT)	On the afternoon of Wednesday 29 th June 2005. Jimmy Walsh noticed a person in difficulty at the River Nore. He dashed to the scene and dived into the water and swam towards the person who was lying face down. On reaching the person he managed to turn them onto their back and drag them to the riverbank to safety.	Kilkenny