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**Class of 2019 Induction
Maine Ski Hall of Fame
Saturday, October 19, 2019
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PROGRAM

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Class of 2019

Henry Anderson
Leigh Breidenbach

Paul Schipper
Don Fowler

Seth Wescott
Lindsay Ball

Billy Chenard
Bob Zinck

MAINE SKI HALL OF FAME



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MISSION

The mission of the Maine Ski Hall of Fame is to recognize those skiers, who through their efforts and achievements have brought distinction to Maine skiing. Some of these skiers made their mark in competition. Others were founders who built the sport into a way of life for so many Mainers. Still more were teachers who led countless skiers and competitors into our sport. Some had an intense impact on local skiers while others gained prominence on an international scale. Thanks to these skiers Maine has an industry that is a vital part of the economy, not only in the mountains, but throughout the state.

It is to recognize the importance of skiing to Maine and its citizens that the Maine Ski Hall of Fame has been formed. By enshrining those men and women who founded and built the sport in Maine, competitors who brought prominence to Maine skiing, their coaches and mentors, and others who have made significant contributions, we shall create a permanent record of their endeavors and achievements. By doing this we shall preserve this history for those to follow, that they may understand the great achievements of these individuals.

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Henry Anderson



In the late twenties and early thirties a lot of Aroostook County skiers got their skis from Henry Anderson. From 1926 to 1933 or thereabouts this community leader and businessman made skis by hand in his basement workshop primarily as work for winter. He chose silver birch for its natural camber near the bark. He added camber by steaming the skis, especially when forced to use maple and beech instead of silver birch. His skis were usually 7-9 feet long. Using the Jemtland skis style, he fashioned one longer than the other. This followed a tradition of the old Swedes for more maneuverability and balance when hitting snow drifts as they skied to and from work or stores. His early skis took about a day to build and he sold them for \$7.00 a pair.

His basement workshop was filled with various saws, draw knives, scrapers and hand planes to shape and fine tune the bases. He finished the skis by burning in a mixture of pine tar and paraffin wax with a blow torch.

The wider Jemtland skis gradually evolved into narrower racing skis for members of the New Sweden Athletic Club, as well as the Caribou and Fort Fairfield high school teams. He also made jumping skis, and downhill skis. Anderson made one downhill model with one sectioned steel edge per ski. In addition to his Maine business, he made skis for skiers in New Hampshire and Massachusetts. Grampy, as he was known, made skis for the Maine Warden Service. One story tells of his making skis for a Stockholm resident

who wanted them for his private airplane. When a flying warden saw them he asked for Anderson to make skis for the wardens' planes.

His skis bore a trademark stamp fashioned out of a piece of scrap iron- a likeness of skis and poles forming an "A" around which he chiseled the words, "Anderson's Handmade Skis, New Sweden, ME".

Anderson not only manufactured skis, but he was an accomplished skier who served as a coach. He was manager of the New Sweden Athletic Club where, in a region full of great skiers, he helped develop powerhouse teams, producing many champions. One of the best was Bob Johnson who won the grueling Bangor to Caribou Marathon ski race in 1936.

Skiers in the County have honored this pioneer ski builder every February with the Annual Henry Anderson Memorial Ski Dag. The race was held for the 44th time in 2019 and is now sponsored by the Caribou Recreation Department. In both building skis and developing future skiers, along with enthusiastically promoting the sport, Henry Anderson demonstrated a devotion to skiing that has earned him a place in the Maine Ski Hall of Fame.

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Paul Schipper

Unlike most Maine Ski Hall of Fame inductees there is no record of Paul Schipper's early skiing as his unique achievement didn't start until he retired from American Airlines. Injuries suffered in a plane crash as a Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Air Force, mandated his retirement from the Service. After a career as an American Airlines pilot he moved to Maine and became a registered Maine guide and part owner of Kirby Camp, a hunting lodge in Eustis. Next he bought and operated the Lumberjack Lodge on Rte. 27 near the base of Sugarloaf. Skiing became his passion.

During the 1981 season at age 57, Paul noticed that he had not missed a day on the slopes. Each day he reported into the marketing department and picked up the latest weather forecast. As a pilot and a skier he had a deep interest in the weather, recording the weather and ski conditions in his notebook, documenting every trail he skied. No one realized at the time that this was the beginning of a streak that would continue unbroken for 24 years. By 1984 "The Streak" caught the interest of the media. Chip Carey, communications director at Sugarloaf, saw the immense media exposure for Sugarloaf with national and world wide coverage of this devoted skier.

Paul Schipper had never been a racer, or even an accomplished skier, but he was as devoted to the sport as any lifelong skier. In 1984, Carey hired Nancy Marshall, nee Briggs. Carey welcomed her into the communications department and assigned the newcomer to the task of getting the most possible PR out of "The Streak". As Marshall tells the story, "Every 100 days we would organize a parade with a school

band or jugglers, or a celebratory event of some kind in the base lodge to recognize Paul's efforts". He skied through bouts of pneumonia, cancer and a variety of health issues even postponing surgery to keep the streak alive. If he had an appointment he could not avoid, he arranged his schedule to make one run before the lifts opened and found a way to return the following day to take a run before the lifts closed. Whatever adjustments he had to make, Schipper made sure that he skied every day the mountain was open. By the end of "The Streak" he was battling partial blindness.

As the Streak continued through the eighties, the nineties and into the new century, members of the staff in the administrative building would greet him each day after he completed his runs. For more than two decades his efforts were recorded in countless television, newspaper and magazine articles, giving a remote Maine ski resort continual publicity it could not have purchased at any price. Finally, in 2005 National Public Radio did a story on "The Streak". On a live broadcast Chip Carey gave his blessing to Paul upon his skiing retirement. This devotion to Sugarloaf and Maine skiing has earned Paul Schipper a place in the Maine Ski Hall of Fame.



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Seth Wescott

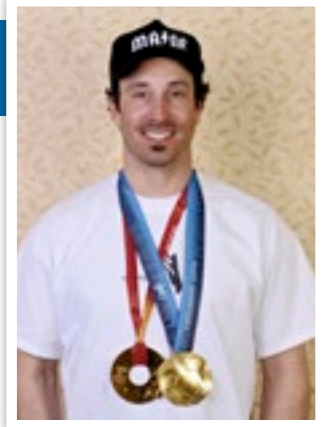
Seth Wescott was a cross country skier at age 3, alpine skier at age 8 and snowboarder at 10. After pursuing and competing in both skiing and snowboarding, in 1989, at age 13, he gave up skiing and devoted his efforts to snowboarding. Attending Carrabassett Valley Academy he studied and trained with Olympians, Bode Miller, Jeff Greenwood, Kirsten Clark and Emily Cook but it would be years later before his sport became an Olympic discipline.

For several years he focused on half pipe competition until the 1996-97 season when he began competing in Snowboard Cross. For the next five years he entered both half pipe and SBX events. In 1998 and again in 2002, he attempted to make the Olympic team in half pipe. Frustrated by a competition where the results were determined by judges, he switched exclusively to SBX, where the victor was the first to cross the finish line. Success came quickly and he began winning events in the early 2000's. Between 2000 and 2003 Seth was the U.S. National Champion in SBX. In 2001 he tore his ACL during a World Cup competition in Sapporo, Japan, but continued to compete after recovering. Wescott won silver in the 2002 Winter X Games and ended the season third overall in the World Tour rankings for SBX.

In 2003 the Maine athlete added a new twist to his training- big mountain riding in Alaska. After being dropped from a helicopter at the top of a mountain, he would ride down whatever terrain and conditions he encountered, snowfields, steep faces powder and crud. In 2003 he encountered an avalanche which carried him 750 feet down the mountain. He felt that this training helped him in SBX.

That same year he won silver in SBX at the World Championships and finished 10th in the half pipe. It was his last half pipe event. For the next three years he focused on SBX piling up podiums and a gold medal in the 2005 World Championships. At the same time he was lobbying the Olympic Committee to get SBX included in the winter games. His efforts were rewarded when SBX became an Olympic event for the 2006 games.

Wescott was named to the U.S. Snowboard team and competed in the first ever Olympic SBX competition. He won the Gold Medal in that historic first ever competition in Torino, Italy. For the next four years, Seth divided his time between racing SBX on the World Cup and big mountain descents in Alaska, the Himalayas and the Southern Hemisphere as a key part of his training. This regimen prepared him for the 2010 games in Vancouver, BC where he successfully defended his title in SBX, once again bringing the Gold Medal home to Maine. This success on the world's biggest stage has made Seth Wescott an inspiration for Maine's winter athletes and earned him a place in the Maine Ski Hall of Fame.



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A group photo of five people standing in front of a blue wall. From left to right: a man in a dark jacket and cap, a woman in a plaid shirt, a man in a blue t-shirt and cap (Seth Wescott), a woman in a black top, and a woman in a white top. They are all smiling and holding a white banner that says 'POWER'.

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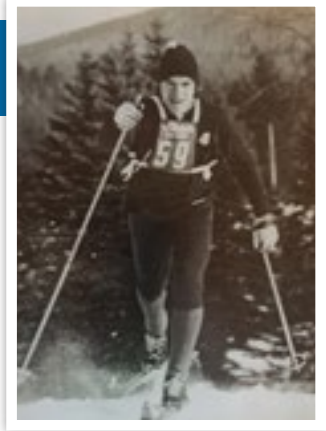
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Billy Chenard



Billy Chenard is another example of the results of the fine coaching provided by Rumford's Chisholm Ski Club. He combined that coaching with talent and hard work to become one of the best skiers to come out of that hotbed of skiing enthusiasm. He was already an accomplished skier by the time he entered Rumford High School and competed in the early seventies in all four events, always a leading point scorer for his team. In Eastern competition he specialized in Nordic events finally focusing on Nordic combined.

Long time Chisholm coach Herb Adams called Chenard, "one of the best I ever coached in cross country and jumping". He made the Junior National Team in 1973 and 74, winning the Nordic combined title in 1975. After high school he was named to the U.S. National Team for Nordic Combined in 1977.

After a year on the team Billy returned to the East to make major contributions to his sport. His first efforts were at the Balsams where he applied his expertise at grooming and running a world class touring center. He cut many of the trails and which turned out to be some of the best in the East. When Chummy Broomhall was appointed head of cross country at the 1980 games at Lake Placid he called on Billy Chenard to join his team and handle the grooming of the trails.

From the Balsams Chenard moved to Sugarloaf where he worked for fellow Rumford cross country competitor, Jack Lufkin at the Outdoor Center. Lufkin said of Billy, "He was a natural with his versatile XC skiing background, he could do it all from coaching, teaching les-

sons, grooming, trail development, and of course, having fun with the Outdoor Center's customers."

When Lufkin moved on in 1978, Chenard took over as manager of the Sugarloaf Outdoor Center and made it the most popular Cross Country Center in Maine. He expanded and improved the trails and introduced thousands to his sport over the years. He especially loved working with new young skiers and helped many to develop their skills. As a former competitor, he took a special interest in setting up races, many of which are still being contested today.

Throughout his career as a center manager he never forgot where he came from. He stayed in touch with the Chisholm Ski Club and Black Mountain and he was especially supportive of the Mt. Abram High School Ski Team in Salem, not far from Kingfield and Sugarloaf. He arranged for the cross country skiers to work off their passes at Sugarloaf's Outdoor Center so they would have access to that first class facility for training.

From his early years in competition through years in running cross country centers and developing skiers in a life cut too short, Billy Chenard showed a devotion to his sport that has earned him a place in the Maine Ski Hall of Fame.



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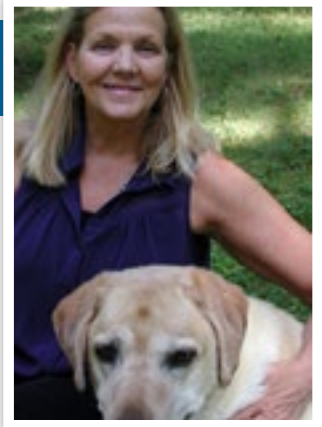


***William "Billy" Chenard
&
Robert "Bob" Zinck***

On your induction into the Maine Ski Hall of Fame-Class of 2019

from the Chisholm Ski Club and Black Mountain Ski Resort

Leigh Breidenbach



Leigh Breidenbach arrived in Bethel, Maine in the 1977 fresh out of college and with considerable experience as a ski instructor. From an early age she wanted a career in the ski industry and as a high school freshman, followed her mother into ski teaching. During her first winter at Sunday River, she could not help but notice the University of Maine Farmington (UMF) Ski Team and head coach, Tom Reynolds. She enrolled at Farmington in 1980 in Secondary Education and the UMF Ski Industries Program, recently developed by Reynolds and Doc DesRoches.

After graduation, Leigh returned to teach at Sunday River and eventually at Mt. Abam for Rik Dow's ski school, where she developed "A Woman's Place ... is on the slope..." a woman centric Alpine program. Leigh returned to Sunday River in 1989 to be part of the vaunted Perfect Turn Program, bringing her expertise in education and women specific programing, creating Sunday River's first adult seasonal program, "A Woman's Turn." For the next decade Leigh expanded her work in the ski industry into retail, sales, and ski writing; earned her Professional Ski Instructors of America Level III certification and a Masters in education.

Doc retired in 1990 and he recommended Leigh as his replacement; she immediately become a key part of the UMF Ski Industries Program. One of her most important roles (among many including teaching the business classes, team teaching on hill and classroom courses with Coach Reynolds, preparing students for PSIA certifications, supervising practicum and internships) was conducting the freshman orientation classes where she introduced first year students to the university, the program and the ski industry. Leigh worked with ski shops, manufacturers and

ski resorts building an invaluable list of contacts which she used to place UMF Ski Industry students into internships, later assisting them to secure positions in the ski industry. Today those students can be found in every segment of the ski industry from, directors of snowsport schools to ski coaches in all the disciplines including adaptive sports, PSIA examiners and development team, certified boot fitters running their own shops and labs, product R&D, regional sales reps, and company presidents.

While working in multiple capacities in the ski industry Leigh still made time to contribute to a variety of non-profits and community ski areas including staff trainer for Maine Handicapped Skiing (Maine Adaptive Sports) leading on hill training and workshops for full time staff and volunteers. She has served on the Board of Directors of the Ski Museum of Maine and Titcomb Mountain.

Leigh took over as director of the UMF Ski Industries Program when Reynolds retired and along with her colleague Ron Bonnevie, produced another generation of UMF Ski Industries students who became key players on a national and international level in an industry which that contributes over \$300 million annually to the Maine economy. Whether teaching on the mountain or in the classroom Leigh Breidenbach has devoted a lifetime to Maine skiing earning a place in the Maine Ski Hall of Fame.

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Leigh Breidenbach on the course in the Legends Race at Mount Abram.



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Leslie B. Otten



Since learning to ski in high school in the fifties, Don Fowler has been totally devoted to the sport. He has skied almost every ski area in Maine including a number that no longer exist, but his greatest devotion is to his home mountain, Sugarloaf. At age 77 he skis his home mountain almost every day while still working full time as an attorney in Kingfield. For more than fifty years Don has kept a detailed daily journal of every day he has skied, including weather, snow conditions and with whom he skied. Sugarloaf granted him the Sugarloaf Iron Man Award for skiing the most days in a season while working full time.

This meticulous record keeping has made Don the “Professor of Sugarloaf Skiing History”, a source for mountain management whenever they seek to clarify questions concerning the resort’s history. When John Christie wrote his book, “The Sugarloaf Story”, he relied on Fowler’s records for factual information. Christie dedicated his book to Kingfield’s skiing attorney.

In 1995, Don was a leader in founding the Ski Museum of Maine lending his knowledge of Sugarloaf history and other Maine ski areas. The Ski Museum now displays all aspects of Maine skiing at its Kingfield location. His knowledge of the history of Maine skiing and Sugarloaf in particular has been invaluable to the museum in gathering documents and artifacts to be preserved. He served on the Board for 15 years and still serves as clerk providing his legal services to the museum.

While working as an attorney in Portland he traveled with his family every weekend to ski at Sugarloaf. He is well known as one of the

top real estate attorneys in Maine, involved in many of the largest real estate transactions in the state, including several ski areas. Through the years, Sugarloaf relied on his real estate experience in Maine’s western mountains. In his fifties he moved to Carrabassett Valley, opening his own law office in Kingfield where he still works every day assisting local people with their legal issues. In order to ski every day he often carries his work to the mountain-even holding real estate closings in the locker room.

In addition to his work with the Ski Museum of Maine, Don has been heavily involved in other community services, including the Carrabassett Valley Outdoor Association, the Sugarloaf Ski Club and other local non-profits. His pro bono hours of service have helped these organizations sustain their services. This devotion to his sport and the communities in Maine’s western mountains has earned Don Fowler a place in the Maine Ski Hall of Fame.

***Congratulations Don Fowler on your well deserved
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***Thank you for all you have done for Sugarloaf
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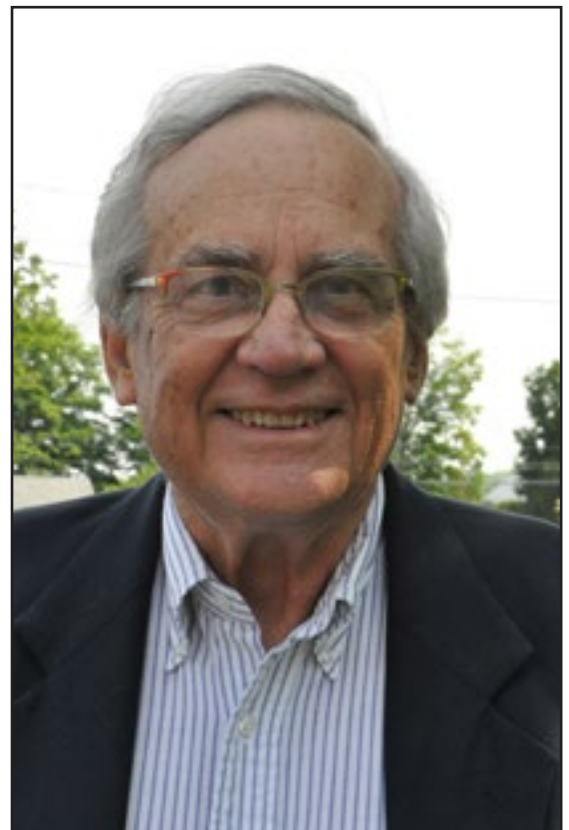


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Lindsay Ball



Born with Retinitis Pigmentosa, Lindsay Ball can see only light and dark, shapes and shadows. Her parents signed her up for ski lessons when she was six years old with Maine Handicapped Skiing (Now Maine Adaptive Sports) and she immediately took to the slopes, completely hooked on the sport. Today she competes as a B1 Class Paralympian.

She began racing competitively in high school. As Lindsay reflects, "Skiing was the first sport where I could compete on even terms". She had run track and cross country but skiing quickly became her sport. She even got her family back on the slopes.

As much as Lindsay took to her new sport, it was not without challenges. Because she skis with totally blacked out goggles, she can only ski by following a voice. Her guide skis ahead with a special backpack fitted with speakers. The guide gives directions to Lindsay following behind. While the speakers solve the voice problem, visually impaired skiers must find an equally devoted guide. It's a huge commitment. The guide must not only be available for races, but must travel with the competitor for training camps. Lindsay credited her guide, Dianna Barras, for much of her success, "She was as committed as I was".

The schedule for training and racing has taken them to Mount Hood in Oregon, Copper Mountain and Breckenridge in Colorado and Chile. While in New Zealand for a competition she added bungee jumping to the challenges she has conquered.

After honing her skills in high school, in 2011 Ball was named to the U. S. Paralympics Alpine Skiing Development Team. It didn't take long for the Maine skier to make an impression.

In 2012 Lindsay placed 3rd in a World Cup at Winter Park in Colorado, was 1st in GS and DH in the U. S. Championships, finished 2nd in a Nor-Am Super G at Copper Mountain, grabbed 1st in GS, 2nd in SL and 3rd in Super G in another Nor-Am at Winter Park, earning a place on the U.S. Paralympics Alpine Skiing National Team. Along with all the skiing athletes on the U.S. Team the goal was always the Winter Olympics. In 2014 Lindsay achieved that dream.

Her path to the Sochi Winter Games was became more difficult when in December of 2013 she tore her Anterior Cruciate Ligament. That's a critical injury with only a couple of months to recover before the games. Lindsay was still determined to compete and the Sochi games marked her return to competition.

At the Sochi Games Lindsay competed in the Paralympics Giant Slalom, capping a career that took her to the highest levels of disabled ski competition. This willingness to work hard and total devotion to her sport has earned Lindsay Ball a place in the Maine Ski Hall of Fame.



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Thank you, Lindsay!

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For seventeen years, the Maine Ski Hall of Fame has recognized those who have made significant contributions to the Maine skiing community. On behalf of the entire HM Payson family we would like to extend our most sincere congratulations to our long-time friend, Don Fowler, for his induction into the Maine Ski Hall of Fame, Class of 2019.

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Bob Zinck

Growing up in Rumford in the sixties it was easy to become a ski jumper, and Bob Zinck took full advantage of the jumps at Black Mountain provided and maintained by the Chisholm Ski Club. Young jumpers also had the benefit of a world class jumper, Aurele Legere, to coach and mentor them. While he was a well rounded athlete in school competing in football and baseball Bob's specialty was his winter sport, ski jumping. To gain strength for his ski jumping Bob followed a year round training regimen. He was often seen at Hosmer Field, the local baseball and football facility, squatting or leaping with a 50-75 pound pack. Those who skied with him and coached him called Bob one of the hardest working athletes they had ever seen. In those days there were few specialists. Skiers jumped, ran cross country and skied the two alpine events, slalom and GS.

As a four event skier Zinck led his Rumford High team to the Maine Class A Championship in 1972 and a year later to repeat the state title and add the New England title. His jumping skills took him well beyond his Rumford roots. He traveled all over Maine and New England to jump wherever he could, from local jumps at Black Mountain to Swan's Corner in Bethel and the Big Nansen in Berlin. In 1974 he traveled to the Junior Nationals in Steamboat Springs, Colorado where he placed first in the Team Jump. That same year at the Canadian Junior Nationals in Ottawa, he added another first place in the Junior "B" jumping. At the 1975 Junior Nationals in Ishpeming, Michigan he jumped to a second place finish.

Also in 1975, Bob traveled to Mont Ste. Anne in Quebec and Thunder Bay, Ontario competing on 70 and 90 meter hills. At Bear Mountain, New York in 1977, Bob won the Torger Tokle Memorial Jumping Meet and the New Jersey State Championship.

In college Bob assumed the same leadership position he held in high school, always scoring points for Dartmouth in the Carnivals. He played a key role in helping Dartmouth tie Colorado for the 1976 NCAA title. That year the championships hosted by Bates College were contested with the alpine events at Sunday River and the jumping and cross country at Black Mountain. Rumford's Aurele Legere built a brand new 50 meter jump for that event. After his string of strong performances through high school and college, Zinck was named to the U.S. Ski Team in 1976-77.

Fellow Rumford native and jumper, Dan Warner tells how he still has post cards Bob sent from Europe while on the team. He along with another Maine Ski Hall of Famer, Herb Adams, cite Bob's continuing support of the Chisholm Ski Club and Black Mountain. This record of achievement at the highest levels of ski jumping and total dedication to his sport has earned Bob Zinck a place in the Maine Ski Hall of Fame.



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In 2003 a handful of skiers met at Lost Valley to create the Maine Ski Hall of Fame. While a number of individuals had been contacted and agreed to be part of a committee, those who were on hand and met several times that summer to prepare for the first induction banquet were Bob Flynn, Greg Sweetser, Tom Reynolds, Dick Osgood, Tom Bennett, Connie King and yours truly. For several years I had discussed the need for such a Hall of Fame with Greg Sweetser, Executive Director of the Ski Maine Association. We always ended up with the question, where would we put it? Then I was invited to join the Board of Directors of the Maine Golf Hall of Fame and learned we didn't need a place. The golfers didn't have a location. They simply held an election, voted in new members and held a banquet to induct the new class.

This model would achieve what we wanted. We would recognize Maine skiers who had achieved greatly in competition, those who grew our

sport by building ski areas or teaching new skiers, and others who made significant contributions to our sport. Equally important we would record the achievements of these skiers by producing a program including their biographies, thus creating a permanent record.

Through Greg Sweetser I presented the idea to Ski Maine hoping they would take on the project. They were all in favor of the idea but offered only their support. Next Greg introduced me to the Board of the Ski Museum of Maine, at that time a handful of Sugarloaf skiers who had formed a 501 C3 but had little more than a few members and some stuff in storage. Rather than ask them to consider the project I told them I had reserved Lost Valley for the banquet that fall, gave them the list of the first class, the costs and assured them the ads in the program would cover everything. The only question was, would this be part of the Ski Museum? They voted unanimously that the Maine Ski Hall

of Fame would be a division of the Ski Museum of Maine.

Over the summer, we ironed out the details of that first banquet while I sold ads and worked with the printer to create the first program. That first banquet attracted 217 skiers and we turned over about \$3000 to the museum. This established the Maine Ski Hall of Fame as a vital part of not only the Museum but of Maine Skiing. In the years since the Hall of Fame has been a key fund raiser for the Museum and we have now inducted 144 skiers with their biographies adding up to over 70,000 words of Maine skiing history through their deeds. It could not have happened without the support of Maine's Ski Industry and the other businesses and individuals who sponsor this program with their ads, and equally important, you who attend this banquet.

Thanks to all.

Dave Irons, Founder,
Maine Ski Hall of Fame Committee.



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Hall of Famer Bob Harkins sporting a 1970's vintage windshirt in the Legends Race at Mount Abram.



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Seth Wescott carving a turn while training at Sugarloaf.



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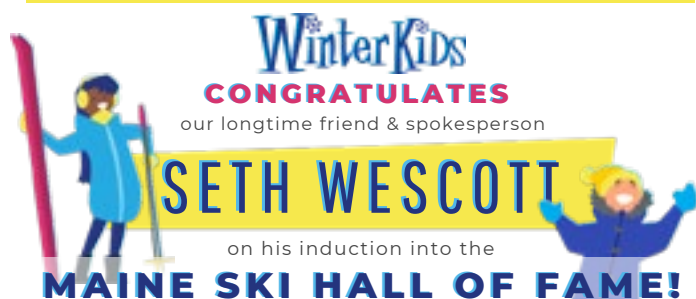
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Ski Museum of Maine - Letter from the President

The mission at the Ski Museum of Maine is to “celebrate, preserve and share the heritage and history of Maine skiing.” Tonight’s annual Maine Ski Hall of Fame Induction and Banquet is our premier celebration of those who have contributed so much to our rich skiing heritage. It is also our largest fundraiser to support the preservation of Maine ski history. Thank you so much for sharing this evening with us.

Some quick highlights of our past year at the SMOM...

- The unveiling of our newest exhibit-The Maine Winter Olympian Exhibit. This exhibit tells the story that Maine has had a participant in every winter Olympics since 1948. A simply amazing story.
- The Maine Winter Olympian Exhibit has been transformed into a beautiful traveling exhibit and will be coming to a town near you soon.
- This January of 2020 we will begin work on our newest exhibit and it will be unveiled at the 2020 Maine Ski Hall of Fame Banquet at Sugarloaf. It promises to be awesome.
- We have completely improved the Maine Ski HOF nomination process. More structure, more info and easy to use forms. Please check out on our website.
- Totally redesigned Snow Trail magazine-our new four color, 24 page bi-annual magazine that members are loving.
- After much discussion and planning, we have launched our Oral History project which focuses on gathering stories from the early days of skiing in Maine. This exciting oral history project will be part of the Museum for years to come.
- Our Heritage Classic Event, held at Sugarloaf was changed

to the John Christie Heritage Classic for this past February. It is highlighted by the sharing of history and heritage from a particular aspect of Maine skiing. Last February focused on the early nightlife at Sugarloaf. There were a few laughs to say the least.

- The annual Legends Ski race at Mt. Abram. This race has doubled in size.... and fun. We are looking to again double attendance this coming spring.
- These are really exciting times at the Museum and we invite you to join us in membership, as a visitor to the museum or even click on our website. We are confident you will enjoy the experience. www.skimuseumofmaine.org

In closing and most importantly, the Ski Museum of Maine honors all these inductees this evening for they have transformed the impossible to possible, pushed themselves beyond most human boundaries and in the end, helped shape a history and heritage that is shared by all Maine skiers. Our sincere congratulations to all.

With gratitude,
Cooper Friend
President, Ski Museum of Maine



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Upcoming Museum Events

November 16

Launch of the 4th Annual Fall
Online Auction

Christmas Vacation Week

Annual Open House
Check our website for updates

February 15

2nd Annual John Christie
Heritage Classic Auction
Sugarloaf Inn

March 12

3rd Annual Legends
Alpine Race
Mt. Abram

March 14

1st Annual Tom Kendall
Legends Nordic Race
Black Mountain

April 18

6th Annual Skee Spree
Auction
Barker Lodge
Sunday River

— Through the Year —

This year marks the 150th Anniversary of skiing in Maine. SMOM will participate in many sesquicentennial celebrations across Maine.

Visit “Oxford County Skiing History from Jockey Cap to Jordan Bowl”, and the “50th Anniversary Sunday River” exhibit located at our satellite exhibit space at the Bethel Historical Society.

For more information on these and other museum events visit our website: www.skimuseumofmaine.org



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