



Joe Nowak

- 1945-70 At age 16 begin competing in ski jumping for Duluth and Cloquet. Placed 2nd in total points at Chester Park in Class A. Won the B class senior jumping title in Duluth.
- 1949-53 Elevated to Class A in the CUSSA Championship. Was Central Champion in Chicago, IL in 1951. While in the Army in Germany, achieved first place and set a hill record.
- 1949-70 Set 11 ski jump records in the US, Canada and Europe.
- 1951-62 Jumped in the Olympic Trials and World Team Trials. Became President of the Duluth Ski Club.
- 1953-60 Won five consecutive ski jump meets in Duluth and won many Midwest club and college ski jump meets. Took 3rd place in the North American Championships in Canada. Received a Top Ten rating in the US from 1951-1959 in Class A.
- 1958 Because a teacher and coach in Cloquet, MN. The team won 20 Big Nine, District 26 and region meets. Won 13 Three-team state meets. Junior High team won 10 consecutive Three-event titles.
- 1969 Team was presented a Proclamation For Success by the MN State Legislature.
- 1975 Team listed as Number One in High School Skiing in the US.
- 1978 Elected to the Ski Coaches Hall of Fame in MN.
- 2002 Named an “Elite” coach of the 20th Century in a coach’s book.
- 2003 A 40-acre ski area in Cloquet named after Joe. Ski hill near Winnipeg, Canada called “Nowak Express”.