

1953 MSHSL NORDIC SKI RACING STATE MEET

4 mile (6.4km) Classic Results*

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| Location: | Chester Bowl, Duluth, Mn | Date: | 2/7/1953 |
| Snow conditions: | Twenty inches of snow fell in Duluth in January 1953. Two and one-half inches fell about one week before the event. 1953 was the first year that schools were limited to three skiers per event. | High Temperature: | Race time temperatures were in the low twenties. A mild thaw a few days prior might have made waxing more difficult, requiring a base binder under a combination of hard waxes and klister. |

| Rank | Name | Grade | Team | Time |
|------|-------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
| 1 | Allen Erickson | 11 | Duluth East | 23:15 |
| 2 | Robert Carlson | 11 | Duluth Central | 24:08 |
| 3 | Tom Patterson | | Cloquet | 24:29 |
| 4 | Glen Nelson | | Duluth Central | 24:59 |
| 5 | William Swanson | | Minneapolis North | 25:04 |
| 6 | Robert Youngquist | | Duluth Central | 25:21 |
| 7 | Richard Carlson | | Duluth Central | 26:03 |
| 8 | Wendell Hilding | | Duluth East | 26:11 |
| 9 | Ken Oulman | | Minneapolis North | 26:32 |
| 10 | Glen Fox | | Duluth Denfeld | 26:50 |
| 11 | Paul Schmidt | | Duluth East | 27:03 |
| 12 | Arve Grimsmo | | Minneapolis Roosevelt | 27:16 |
| 13 | Mike Marciniak | 11 | Cloquet | 28:09 |
| 14 | Gerald Green | | Cloquet | 28:17 |
| 15 | David Erickson | | Duluth East | 28:37 |
| 16 | Ronald Sack | | Minneapolis Roosevelt | 29:03 |
| 17 | Roger Dahlin | | Duluth Denfeld | 29:27 |
| 18 | Paul Kroehnert | | Minneapolis North | 29:32 |
| 19 | James A. Johnson | | Minneapolis Edison | 29:41 |
| 20 | William Piesig | | Minneapolis Edison | 29:44 |
| 21 | Vincent Sipple | | Minneapolis Edison | 29:45 |
| 22 | Dave White | | Minneapolis Southwest | 29:48 |
| 23 | Dave Moe | | Minneapolis Edison | 30:25 |
| 24 | David Peterson | | Cloquet | 30:31 |
| 25 | Clyde Johnson | | Duluth Denfeld | 30:34 |

* Results from the Duluth News Tribune, dated February 8th, 1953

The race is listed as 3.5 miles in the Duluth News Tribune article.

Stories of 1953 winner are found in Amazon book "Norm Oakvik: The Inconspicuous Coach"

www.amazon.com/dp/B0DX7JZ9SK

Cross-country Team Scores

| Place | School | Time | Top two |
|-------|-----------------------|-------|-------------|
| 1 | Duluth Central | 49:07 | 24:08+24:59 |
| 2 | Duluth East | 49:26 | 23:15+26:11 |
| 3 | Minneapolis North | 51:36 | 25:04+26:32 |
| 4 | Cloquet | 52:38 | 24:29+28:09 |
| 5 | Duluth Denfeld | 56:17 | 26:50+29:27 |
| 6 | Minneapolis Roosevelt | 56:18 | 27:16+29:03 |
| 7 | Minneapolis Edison | 59:25 | 29:41+29:44 |

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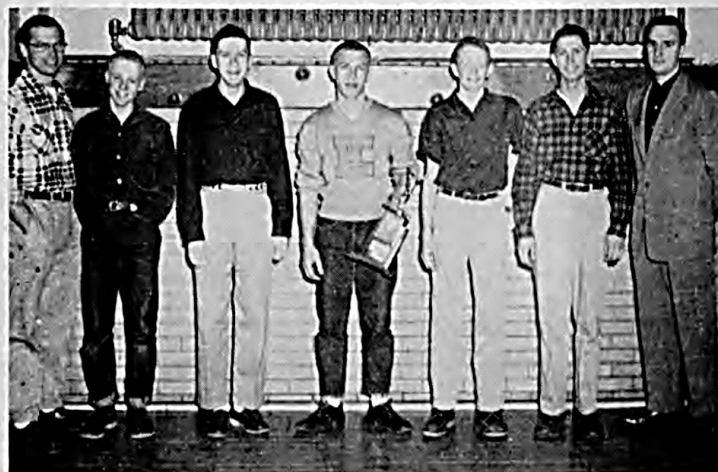


Allan Erickson

Duluth East—State Cross Country Champion

Allen Erickson helped Duluth East win an Overall team title.

STATE SKI CHAMPION—Duluth East



Left to right: Jim Broman, Tom Holmstrom, Tom Nutting, George Peterson, Dave Hoff, Wendell Hilding, Olav Lee. Absent when picture was taken: Allan Erickson, Jim Lawson and Gordon Ruthford.

Duluth Central - Nordic Ski Champs



Central Ski Team (L-R): Ken McKenna, Don Mowbray, Robert Youngquist, Bob Carlson, Jerry Lewis, G. Nelson, L. Lewis, D. Carlson, Coach Rudy Sebo