

J. Stanley Mullin Nomination

Richard Shawkey

Nominated by:
Randy Lew
John Watson

Years of Service: 2008-2010.

After many years being involved in FWRA racing as a race director for Bear Valley Ski Club, Chief of Course and Chairman of BAC Open League Racing, **Dick Shawkey** brought his love and passion of ski racing and youth skiing development to the FWSA level by volunteering in 2008 as the Athletic Scholarship Program Chairman.

In these last two years, Dick has increased the funding and scholarships distributed from six racers receiving \$5,000 to 13 racers receiving \$10,000 by organizing and executing very successful raffle sales at Ski Weeks and Conventions. Dick continues to look for new fund-raising ideas and has developed a very good relationship with all the program sponsors. This last year the program had 46 applicants to review. Dick assembled 5 complete books with all the applications, letters of recommendation, pictures, and judging criteria for his committee, and then spent countless hours tabulating the results and summarizing the data.

Dick has invited and introduced some of the scholarship recipients to key events including the 2009 Big Sky Ski Week, 2009 FWRA Championships, 2009 Convention, FWSA Board of Director meetings, and the NWSCC Bachelor Blast which has increased visibility and creditability for the program.

Dick has developed a very effective press release element, getting published in numerous newspapers, publications, and websites including the Sierra Sun, Bend Bulletin, Mammoth Times, Seattle Times, and Ski Racing. Dick's formula for getting published has now been adapted for all FWSA press releases.

Dick was instrumental in the formation of the Far West Ski Foundation and currently serves as a Trustee and Secretary while being very involved in setting policy and fundraising programs.

Dick is committed to youth and junior ski racing and continuing to build the FWSA Athletic Scholarship Program. We are honored to nominate him and he is truly deserving of the Mullin Award.

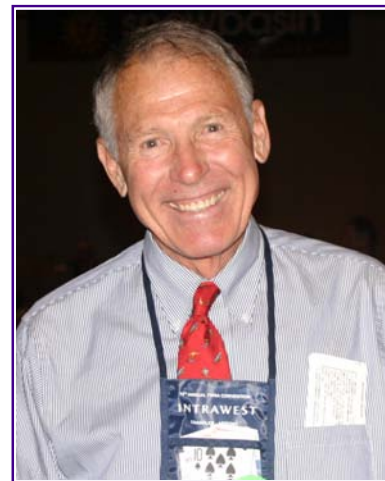


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