

1956 MSHSL NORDIC SKI RACING STATE MEET

4 mile (6.4km) Classic Results*

Location:	Chester Bowl, Duluth, Mn	Date:	2/18/1956
Snow conditions:	Mother Nature was kind to Duluth in 1956 with 13 inches of snow in January and 8 plus inches in February prior to the state meet.	High Temperature:	Race day temperatures reached 21 degrees F with over five inches of new snow the two days prior to the state meet. The wax might have been blue but the skiers were not.

Rank	Name	Grade	Team	Time
1	Dennis Borich	11	Duluth Denfeld	21:49
2	Karl Bohlin	11	Minneapolis North	22:25
3	Mike Marciniak	12	Cloquet	22:45
4	Tony Modahl		Duluth Central	23:23
5	Floyd Carlson		Duluth Central	23:26
6	Jerry Canfield		Cloquet	23:30
7	Rodney Olson		Duluth Central	24:13
8	David Erickson		Duluth East	24:30
T-9	Larry Hafner		Minneapolis West	24:42
T-9	Ken Bragge		Duluth East	24:42
11	Tom Miller		Minneapolis West	24:45
12	Gary White		Cloquet	24:52
13	Ray Labrasse		Duluth Denfeld	25:09
14	Rudy Gulstrand		Minneapolis West	25:23
15	Tom Holmstrom		Duluth East	25:25
16	William Becker		Minneapolis Henry	25:44
17	Vernon Goodwait		Glenwood	25:27
18	Dean Keller		Minneapolis North	25:54
19	Arden Griep		Minneapolis Roosevelt	26:01
20	Paul Sandstrom		Proctor	26:06
21	Kjell Borne		Washburn	26:28
22	William Kisey		Glenwood	26:51
23	Phil Mossetz?		Washburn	26:53
24	Douglas Wenborg		Minneapolis Roosevelt	26:55
25	Tim Leonard		Minneapolis North	27:00
26	Howard Marquardt		Glenwood	27:00
27	Jim Terry		Minneapolis Edison	27:39
28	Ron Fichtner		Duluth Denfeld	28:24
29	Charles Miller		Edina	29:03

30	Mike Brown		Edina	29:11
31	Charles Berg		St. Louis Park	29:31
32	Dean Peterson		St. Louis Park	29:36
33	Richard Jovness		Grand Marais	29:43
34	Michael Hellman		Minneapolis Edison	30:13
35	John Sorenson		Washburn	30:14
36	Tom Tyler		St. Louis Park	31:41
37	Gordon Peterson		Minneapolis Edison	31:49

* Results from the Duluth News Tribune, dated February 17th, 1963

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

Stories of 1956 winners found in Amazon book "Norm Oakvik: The Inconspicuous Coach"

www.amazon.com/dp/B0DX7JZ9SK

Cross-country Team Scores

Place	School	Time	Top two
1	Cloquet	46:15	22:45+23:30
2	Duluth Central	46:49	23:23+23:26
3	Duluth Denfeld	46:58	21:49+25:09
4	Minneapolis North	48:19	22:25+25:54
5	Duluth East	49:12	24:30+24:42
6	Minneapolis West	49:27	24:42+24:45
7	Minneapolis Roosevelt	52:56	26:01+26:55
8	Washburn	53:31	26:28+26:53
9	Glenwood	53:51	26:51+27:00
10	Minneapolis Edison	57:52	27:39+30:13
11	Edina-Morningside	58:14	29:03+29:11
12	St. Louis Park	63:03	29:33+29:36
13	South St. Paul	67:94	
14	Fergus Falls	69:23	

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Cloquet - Nordic Ski Champs



Cloquet Nordic skiers: Jerry Jutila, John Butler, Gary White, Mike Marciniak, and Tom Canfield. Marciniak would help Joe Nowak coach Cloquet teams to fifteen titles in the 1960s and 1970s.



Dennis Borich would best Karl Bohlin of Minneapolis North, both juniors in 1956, but Bohlin would come back in 1957 to dominate the state meet with Borich finishing third.