

1977 MSHSL BOYS NORDIC SKI RACING STATE MEET

10 Km Classic Results*

Location:	Hidden Valley, Ely Mn	Date:	2/19/1977
Snow conditions:	An Abysmal winter caused the MSHSL to move the meet to Ely at the last minute. The two-loop track was soft and wind-blown, making it difficult for early starters.	High Temperature:	Race temperature in the low twenties, some blowing snow.

Rank	Name	Grade	Team	Time
1	John Tormundsen	12	Duluth East	33:30
2	Lindsay Brown		Stillwater	33:38
3	Tom Waldo	12	Hopkins Eisenhower	33:46
4	Kevin Brochman	12	Stillwater	33:59
5	Jeff Salmey		Minneapolis North	34:32
6	Rick Callies		Stillwater	34:59
7	Jon Malkerson		Edina West	35:09
8	Kevin Marciniak		Cloquet	35:47
9	Joel Malkerson		Edina West	35:53
T-10	Paul Karpinski		Minneapolis Roosevelt	35:58
T-10	Hadley Bakker		Walker	35:58
11	Kevin George		Mounds View	36:02
12	John Diefenthal		Minneapolis Roosevelt	36:04
13	Tom McElroy		Robbinsdale	36:05
14	Brian Holt		Richfield	36:10
15	Paul Scholl		Robbinsdale Armstrong	36:16
16	Todd Wilmert		Edina West	36:25
17	Paul Ewald		Hopkins Lindbergh	36:46
18	Kent Green		Bloomington Lincoln	37:01
19	Grant Yutrzerka		Mounds View	38:06
20	Kevin Sande		Bemidji	38:09
21	Brian Carter		Minneapolis North	38:33
22	Wally Hanson		Hopkins Lindbergh	38:40
23	Paul Peters		Minneapolis Roosevelt	38:49
24	Terry Ziehl		Cloquet	38:54
25	Mike Holter		Aurora-Hoyt Lakes	39:28
26	Rob Kleven		Grand Rapids	39:34
27	Sten Rudstrom		Duluth East	39:57
28	Marty Munic		Duluth East	40:16
29	Brian Mikenzie		Aurora-Hoyt Lakes	41:16

*Results from Minnesota State High School League 1966-67 Handbook

Stories of 1966 Co-winners found in Amazon book "Norm Oakvik: The Inconspicuous Coach"

www.amazon.com/dp/B0DX7JZ9SK

Cross-country Team Scores				
Place	School	Time	Top Two Times	Pct
1	Stillwater	67:37	33:38+33:59	99.253
2	Edina West	71:02	35:09+35:53	94.432
3	Roosevelt	72:02	35:58+36:04	93.122
4	North	73:05	34:32+38:33	91.841
5	Richfield	73:45	36:10+37:35	91.017
6	Lindbergh	74:16?	36:46+38:40	90.374
7	Cloquet	74:41	35:47+38:54	89.873
8	Lincoln	77:25		86.688
9	Aurora Hoyt Lakes	78:10?	39:34+41:16	85.874

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INDIVIDUAL CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPION



**John Tormondsen
Duluth East**

John Tormondsen was the best skier in the 1977 state Nordic championship but he might have gained an edge with his starting position. According to some accounts, the early starters had to break trail on the later part of the course during their first lap of a two-loop course. By the time, Tormondsen started, the track was well groomed. Early starters, like #1 starter, Kevin Brochman, skied much faster than all skiers on the second loop but was slowed significantly by blowing snow and a poorly set track. Tormondsen and Brochman would go on to ski with the Telemark Academy team and become room mates. Brochman would eventually make the 1984 and 1988 Olympic Nordic teams. All the skiers in the 1977 race were impacted by one of the worst snow seasons in state history which caused the meet to be moved from Cloquet to Ely at the last minute. Those last minute preparations may have also impacted the quality of the race course. Still, Tormondsen was a deserving state champion.

