

1978 MSHSLGIRLS NORDIC SKI RACING STATE MEET

Five Km Classic Results*

Location:	Sugar Hills, Grand Rapids Mn	Date:	2/11/1978
Snow conditions:	Grand Rapids had about seven inches of snow in January and another two inches exactly one week prior to the state meet. Temperatures hung in the mid-twenties.	High Temperature:	Race day temperature was about 24 degrees on a fairly dry snow base.

Rank	Name	Grade	Team	Time
1	Patrice Jankowski		Cloquet	16:30
2	Chris Storm		Burnsville	16:37
3	Terry Parcham		Cloquet	17:13
4	Mary Trost		Blaine	17:21
5	Mary Stepka		Lakeville	17:22
6	Linda Gawboy		Aurora-Hoyt Lakes	17:25
7	Teresa Brock		Lakeville	17:26
8	Mary Luke		Hopkins Eisenhower	17:30
9	Chris Olin		Stillwater	17:44
10	Lisa Green		Burnsville	17:47
11	Kerry Jung		Hastings	17:49
T-12	Kathy Farrell		Aurora-Hoyt Lakes	17:56
T-12	Sandy Hero		Bloomington Lincoln	17:56
T-14	Kris Green		Bloomington Lincoln	18:04
T-14	Beth Wald		Richfield	18:04
16	Tammy Moe		Blaine	18:08
17	Kelly Lawrence		Grand Rapids	18:09
18	Kathy Olson		Hopkins Eisenhower	18:15
19	Debbie Berger		Minneapolis Henry	18:19
20	Mary Ostergren		Mounds View	18:39
21	Barb Unzen	9	Cloquet	18:45
22	Kim Moe		Minneapolis Henry	18:46
23	Chris Gough		Minneapolis Roosevelt	19:02
24	Sally Kangas		Ely	19:10
25	Anne Wittenberg		Blake	19:16
26	Anita Helges		Minneapolis Edison	19:43
27	Nancy Hogberg		Minneapolis Washburn	20:52

Squad Members

Teri Schaefer		Blaine	18:15
Caroline Lanin		Hopkins Eisenhower	19:21
Mary Emond		Lakeville	19:43
Gail Ernsperger		Blake	20:39
Corrine Bacon		Minneapolis Henry	21:18
Sue Morrison		Burnsville	21:36
Barbara Clark		Blake	21:59

*Results from Duluth News Tribune February 12th 1978

Stories of 1978 winners can be found in Amazon book "Norm Oakvik: The Inconspicuous Coach"

www.amazon.com/dp/B0DX7JZ9SK

Cross Country Teams (top two)				
Place	School	Time	Top Two Times	Pct
1	Cloquet	33:43	16:30+17:13	98.172
2	Burnsville	34:24	16:37+17:47	96.269
3	Lakeville	34:48	17:22+17:26	95.163
4	Aurora-Hoyt Lakes	35:21	17:25+17:56	93.682
5	Blaine	35:29	17:21+18:08	93.331
6	Hopkins Eisenhower	35:45	17:30+18:15	85.462
7	Minneapolis Henry	37:05	18:19+18:46	89.303
8	Hopkins Blake	39:55	19:16+20:39	82.930

Right: Patrice Jankowski - 1978 and three-time Nordic Ski Champ



Cloquet - 1978 Nordic Team Champions

Coach

Mike Marciniak had been coaching the boys team since 1964, with great success and had allowed girls to ski on the boys team since about 1973. That commitment to these young women paid off with three straight individual and Nordic team championships. Both Jankowski and Parchem would graduate, but a young gal named Barb Unzen, 21st in the 1978 competition, would go on to win the 1981 Nordic title. Twin Cities area schools began to develop deep talent and would win about fifteen out of the next twenty years. Cloquet's time in the spotlight was waning, just as Duluth Central's glory had dissipated.