

1947 MSHSL NORDIC SKI RACING STATE MEET

4 mile (6.4km) Classic Results*

Location:	Chester Bowl, Duluth, Mn	Date:	2/1/1947
Snow conditions:	Duluth had only 0.5 inches of precipitation (5 inches of snow) since January 1st, but a blizzard blew across the state prior to the state meet, dropping temperatures and a few inches of snow.	High Temperature:	Race day temperatures reached 17 degrees after temperatures dipped to minus thirty overnight. An inch of new snow had fallen the previous day.

Rank	Name	Grade	Team	Time
1	Norm Kragseth	10	Duluth Central	24:53
2	Don Davis	11	Duluth Central	27:19
3	Keith Baribeau	12	Cloquet	27:50
4	Ed Wold	11	Cloquet	29:00
5	Robert Smith		Duluth Central	29:22
6	Everette Skare		Duluth Central	30:06
7	Don Nygaard	10	Duluth Central	30:45
8	Howard Rosted	12	Cloquet	32:22
9	John Peterson	10	Cloquet	32:37
10	Jerry Bodin		Duluth Denfeld	33:19
11	Harry Patterson	10	Cloquet	34:21
12	Bob Huston		Minneapolis Roosevelt	35:35
13	Virgil Hegle		Minneapolis Roosevelt	35:37
14	Arthur Toms		Greenway	36:06
15	Conrad Lund		Duluth Denfeld	37:35
16	Robert Demarais		Greenway	40:20
17	Don Mester		Greenway	40:32
18	Bob Embreston		Minneapolis Roosevelt	41:53
19	David Yelle		Greenway	43:54
20	Burton Wyss		Greenway	44:25
21	James Ford		Minneapolis Edison	48:25
22	Howard Immel		St. Paul Johnson	50:19
23	Eugene Olson		Minneapolis Roosevelt	51:42
24	LeRoy Bauer		Minneapolis Roosevelt	60:52
25	Thomas Bagwell		St. Paul Johnson	62:29

* Results from the Duluth News Tribune, dated February 2nd, 1947 (25 finishers)

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

Stories of Norm Kragseth's exploits 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	52:03	24:53+27:19
2	Cloquet	56:19	27:00+29:00
3	Duluth Denfeld	70:54	33:19+37:35
4	Minneapolis Roosevelt	71:12	35:35+35:37
5	Greenway	76:26	36:06+40:20

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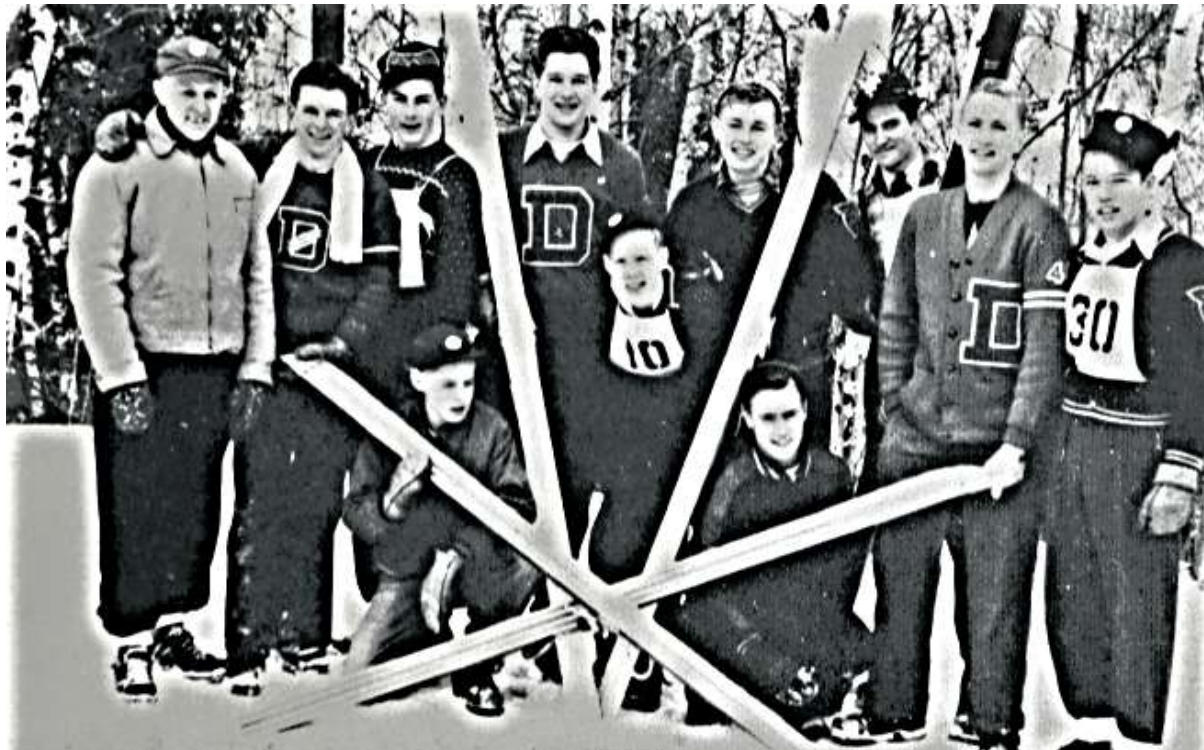
Sparks Trojans to State Title

Capturing a first in the cross-country run and another in slalom event, smiling Norm Kragseth yesterday provided the spark which saved the Duluth Central ski team to its fifth consecutive state championship during the classic held at the Chester Park ski slide and Rock Hill slalom course.—(Duluth-Tribune sportsbox.)

Norm Kragseth was one of the most successful all-around skiers in the Minnesota State High School ski meet history, winning multiple titles in cross-country (first his freshman and sophomore years, second his junior and senior years), jumping (first as freshman, third as sophomore, sixth as junior, first as senior) and slalom (first as sophomore, fourth as junior, first as senior). A six-time ski state champion, Kragseth also was a state champion in golf (four) and won twenty-three letters in high school.

Kragseth would play football for Northwestern University, later coaching Hopkins and Hopkins Lindbergh to several individual skiers and state team championships.

Duluth News Tribune photo



Duluth Central Ski Champions

Back Row: Coach Rudy Sabo, Keith Baribeau, Rod McTavish, Norm Kragseth, Mark Magney, Don Blais, Gary McKenzie, Greg Olson, Bottom Row: Don Nygard, Ken Borg, Bill Skare