

Awards Criteria - Sovereign Lake Nordic Club

Volunteer Coach of the Year: Jessica Eaman Award

- Typically given every year.
- Is a SLNC member in good standing,
- Has demonstrated outstanding effort and results in leading a group of skiers in the club's athlete development programs at any level from bunnies on up.
- Is being acknowledged for their contributions – not only during this particular year.
- Has gone above and beyond by attending coaching certification workshops, providing leadership and mentoring to newer coaches, by developing a great relationship with their group of kids, coaches who rarely if ever missed a coaching session, and those receiving positive feedback from kids and program parents.
- SLNC is a better place because of the contributions made by this person,
- Has displayed a sense of loyalty to our club

Skier of the Year: from a Jackrabbit to a Master

- Typically given every year to a club member in good standing
- Loves the sport of skiing and promotes skiing to encourage others
- The award is intended to recognize the committed skier who shows dedication to, and passion for the sport through making significant improvements in his/her skiing; and, the skier who is an ambassador of our club and the sport.
- Achievement - striving for and reaching a goal such as overcoming some personal physical challenge or trains for and competes in some major event(s).
- Shows good sportsmanship in their approach to skiing

Volunteer of the Year:

- Typically given every year to a Club member in good standing

- This is a person who embodies the community spirit of volunteerism within the club at many levels.
- This award should go to a person who helps out in many small ways over a long period of time; or to someone who puts in a massive effort on a focused and high priority task.
- A typical recipient will have been active in multiple areas, such as serving on committees, task forces, volunteering at events, coaching, contributing a particular skill needed by the club,

Life Time Membership Award:

- This award is not given every year
- It is intended to recognize only a select number of individuals who, through long years of service, have left a singular mark on SLNC and the sport of cross-country skiing at the club level.
- This recipient will have left a legacy to SLNC,
- Has contributed by mentoring others,
- Has made a long-term commitment and/or service over many years
- Has displayed the characteristics of an exceptional volunteer
- These are the individuals whose actions exemplify the very best of our club; and they are the ones who have helped make the club what it is today.

Above and Beyond Award

- Not necessarily awarded annually.
- This award is intended to recognize a person or a group responsible for an initiative that has contributed to the well being of the club and has successfully enhanced the experience of being a Sovereign member.
- This person or group would have successfully improved the quality of the skiing experience and added some vibrance.
- This Award would acknowledge a special contribution.