Far West Masters 2011-2012 Season Awards

Special Awards

Each year at the Far West Masters season awards banquet we make several special awards. The Rookie of the Year award recognizes racers who are new to our masters racing program and who demonstrate enthusiasm and sportsmanship. The Most-Improved Racer award recognizes racers who have been competing and who have demonstrated significant improvement in their racing.

Neither award is necessarily about being the "best" racer – it's about enthusiasm, enjoying the competitive challenge provided by masters racing, and working to improve racing skills.

Rookie of the Year

Thanks to all the new racers who competed with us this year – it's great to have new faces and new friends; we look forward to seeing you all next year!

The Rookie awards for 2011-2012 go to:

- Carol Levine (W08)
- Mihai Filimon (M03)

Most-Improved Racer

The most-improved award is usually our toughest choice – and also the most fun! It's an opportunity to recognize racers who've been working hard, sometimes for many years, and have demonstrated significant improvement throughout the season. These competitors aren't necessarily on the podium every week, but that's part of the satisfaction of this award. These are folks with a "Wow" factor from their fellow competitors who know them best – "Wow, they've been skiing great, they've really gotten better!" is a key factor in selecting these candidates.

The Most-Improved racer awards for 2011-2012 go to:

- Annette Mirviss (W05)
- Lance Laney (M08)

Teddy Cantanho "Spirit of Masters" Award

A special award this season was made in memory of Teddy Cantanho, who unexpectedly passed away last spring at 89 years young – active, engaged, and still a passionate masters ski racer! The Cantanho Spirit award goes to a racer who exemplifies the spirit of masters racing, to strive to do your best and love the experience of competing with friends: Gate de Mattei.

PERFECT ATTTENDANCE

We had 4 competitors who raced in all 17 races held this season: Ron Tanzman (M8), Dave Melton (M6), Mark Mirviss (M6), and Archie Monico (M05)

SEASON CLASS AWARDS - WOMEN

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Women Class 11 (75-79)

1. Frinell, Marietta - 75 - 4(3)

Women Class 10 (70-74)

1. Hogan, Sandy - 300 - 13(12) 2. Mosher, Janet - 215 - 12(10)

Women Class 9 (65-69)

1. Pettigrew, Marcie - 215 - 9(9) 2. Marco, Sherrie - 115 - 7(6)

[*not eligible due to insufficient starts: 3. Bryant, Barbara - 65 - 3(3)]

Women Class 8 (60-64)

1. Faris, Kathryn - 250 - 10(10)

Women Class 7 (55-59)

Feddis, Mary - 237 - 14(14)
 Crowell, Linda - 195 - 9(8)* + 4 WOP starts
 Spicher, Lors - 95 - 6(5)* + 1 WOP start

Women Class 6 (50-54)

1. Heringer, Cheri - 175 - 7(7)* + 1 WOP start

Women Class 5 (45-49)

- 1. Kennedy, Elizabeth $190 9(9)^* + 1$ WOP start
- 2. Wentworth, Kim $161 8(8)^* + 3$ WOP starts
- 3. Melton, Jodi 75 3(3)* + 5 WOP starts

Women Class 4 (40-44)

1. Braun, Ingrid - $75 - 3(3)^* + 7$ WOP starts

Women Class 2 (30-34)

[there were no competitors in W02 eligible for season awards]

Women Open Class)

- 1. Lewis, Deb (W07) 195 10(10) + 4 W07 starts
- 2. Marcacci, Lesley (W01) 155 7(7)
- 3. Ritchie, Cory (W03) 120 5(5)

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Men Class 12 (80-84)

1. De Mattei, Gaetano - 325 - 16(15) 2. Lohman, Rowland - 100 - 5(5)

Men Class 11 (75-79)

Sulser, Martin - 295 - 14(12)
 Pomey, Carl - 225 - 13(11)

Men Class 10 (70-74)

1. Smith, Don - 260 - 14(14) 2. Merritt, Don - 250 - 14(10) 3. Dugan, Jim - 190 - 9(8))

Men Class 9 (65-69)

1. Simmons, Dan - 230 - 10(10) 2. Garner, Dave - 125 - 6(5)

[*not eligible due to insufficient starts: 3. Barron, Gerald - 72 - 5(4)]

Men Class 8 (60-64)

1. Tanzman, Ronald - 275 - 17(15) *[competed in all 17 races]* 2. Crowell, Sam - 202 - 14(12)

3. Shellhammer, Jeff - 154 - 10(9)

Men Class 7 (55-59)

- 1. Tulloch, Ray 220 13(12)
- 2. Garey-Sage, Jonathan 149 15(12)
- 3. Klimpfinger, Klaus 135 11(8)

Men Class 6 (50-54)

- 1. Melton, Dave 234 17(17) [competed in all 17 races]
- 2. Mirviss, Mark 194 17(16) [competed in all 17 races]
- 3. Braun, Michael $125 6(5)^* + 10$ MOP starts

Men Class 5 (45-49)

Monico, Archie - 275 - 13(12)* + 4 MOP starts *[competed in all 17 races]* Griepp, Troy - 255 - 12(12)
 Atkinson, Jim - 93 - 7(6)* + 2 MOP starts

Men Class 4 (40-44) 1. Farnedi, Daniele - 120 - 7(5)* + 2 MOP starts

[*not eligible, qualified from MOP award: 2. Van Stralen, Erich - 75 - 3(3)] [there were no other competitors in M04 eligible for season awards]

Men Class 3 (35-39)

1. Adams, Chris - 160 - 7(7)

[*not eligible due to insufficient starts, not a FWM member: 2. Smith, Peter - 75 - 3(3)] [*not eligible due to insufficient starts: 3. Gray, Jeffrey - 45 - 4(2)]

Men Class 2 (30-34)

1. Masson, Brian - 140 - 7(6)

[there were no other competitors in M02 eligible for season awards]

Men Class 1 (21-29)

1. Savage, Matt - $75 - 3(3)^* + 4$ MOP starts

[there were no other competitors in M01 eligible for season awards]

Men Open Class)

Papazian, Ara (M04) - 250 - 12(11)
 Cronin-Wilton, Seth (M02) - 153 - 11(11)* + 1 M02 start
 Van Stralen, Erich (M04) - 117 - 9(9)* + 3 M04 starts

SEASON BIB AWARDS

TOP FIVE WOMEN

- 1. Lewis, Deb (W07) 234 14(13)
- 2. Crowell, Linda (W07) 200 13(12)
- 3. Marcacci, Lesley (W01) 155 7(7)
- 4. Hogan, Sandy (W10) 135 13(12)
- 5. Mirviss, Annette (W05) 131 12(10)

TOP TEN MEN

- 1. Papazian, Ara (M04) 250 12(11)
- 2. Savage, Matt (M01) 170 7(7)
- 3. Braun, Michael (M06) 168 16(15)
- 4. Cronin-Wilton, Seth (M02) 153 12(11)
- 5. Van Stralen, Erich (M04) 142 12(12)
- 6. Stewart, Tim (M07) 110 14(14)
- 7. Monico, Archie (M05) 96 17(16)
- 8. Fulton, Doug (M06) 84 15(12)
- 9. Shklovski, Mike (M03) 80 6(4)
- 10. Jeangirard, Pierre (M07) 77 10(10)

[*not eligible due to insufficient starts: 8. Mukavitz, John (M05) - 95 - 5(5)]