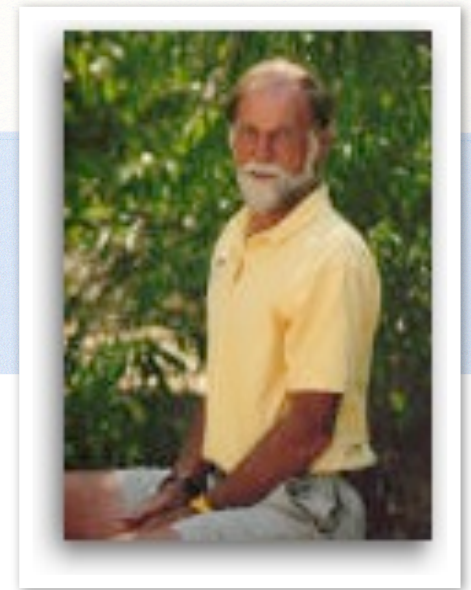


New Mexico Ski Hall of Fame

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Klaus Weber



Klaus Weber is an outdoor type of guy. He has been an active participant in cross country skiing, ski racing, long distance mountain running, soccer, backpacking, tennis and other team sports. Klaus spent his early years competing in National Cross Country Championships in Europe starting in 1948.

Klaus received his first degree from the Commerce College in Olten, Switzerland, then his B.S. in education from Keene State College in New Hampshire and his M.S. from UNM.

After moving to New York to work for Marriott hotels in 1965, he competed in XC races with the Scandinavian Ski Club of New York and the Ulster County/Rosendale NY Ski Club and spent time playing pro soccer. While attending Keene State College from 1972-1975, he trained with the Collegiate National Competitive Training Group in Putney, Vermont along with stars like Bill Koch.

Klaus came to UNM in 1976 as the UNM Cross Country Ski Coach; a position he would hold for 27 years. Klaus developed the program that would lead the UNM XC Ski Team to numerous national championships.

In addition to coaching, Klaus was instrumental in setting out cross country ski trails on Sandia Peak and Dulce, NM, organizing racing series and clinics and establishing the Southwestern Junior XC Program with teams from New Mexico, Colorado and Arizona. He also founded and designed the Grants Quadrathlon. Klaus is currently the Athletic Director Emeritus at the Bosque School in Albuquerque where he has coached numerous sports over the last 10 years including varsity tennis and soccer.

Klaus has been a leader in the Nordic ski scene in New Mexico for over 40 years and continues to be actively involved with outdoor sports in New Mexico.

