

New Mexico Ski Hall of Fame

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Robin May



Robin May is a purebred, powder hound. Anyone who has held a conversation with him for more than two minutes know you'd better be prepared to talk skiing and strategies for growing the sport. He has been a pioneer and leader in the New Mexico ski industry for over 40 years. In addition to his role as Ski School Director for Angel Fire Resort, he holds board positions in several industry organizations. He became certified in Canada in 1974 and the U.S. in 1980.

It all began when Robin started skiing at the age of 2 in his native Canada. He attained his first level of teaching certification at the age of 16. Robin began racing at an early age and competed in Europe, Canada and the US. He skied at the University of British Columbia and was a ski instructor at Mt. Seymour BC, Manning Park and Whistler. In the mid 1970s, while still teaching, Robin entered his first of many professional freestyle events, competing at the Canadian National Championships.

Robin first came to New Mexico in 1976 to visit family. While on vacation in Angel Fire, he did some instructing for then Director, Herbert Kofler. The Land of Enchantment had him hooked and he continued to teach

in Angel Fire as well as coach racing in Panorama, Purgatory and Angel Fire Resort. In the 1980s, he continued to pursue his passion for racing, competing in the Southwest Pro Tour, Peugeot and Audi Pro Tours.

Robin was named Ski School Director at Angel Fire Resort from 1988-2000 and then again from 2009-present. He was the Director of Skiing at Mountain High California from 2000-2002 and Eldora from 2002-2003. Robin also taught summers at El Colorado, Chile.

Robin's love for skiing extends to his family. He is married to Deborah Beauchamp May, Director of the Angel Fire Children's Ski & Snowboard School PSIA III, and father to Elke May who is the Children's Ski School Supervisor, PSIA II.

