

Summary/Overview of Per Gaarder's Contribution to the Development of Cross Country Skiing in BC

- Head Coach of a successful Nordic Racers junior racing team from mid 1970s to mid 1980s;
- Chair of Cross Country BC from May 1983 to May 1988
 - continued to provide significant volunteer support towards CCBC operations for an additional 17-18 years;
- Chair of Cross Country Canada in 1984.

Key areas of influence:

- Set a strategic direction for Cross Country BC that put the Association on the pathway to where we are now;
- Established an organizational structure that led to the one Cross Country BC has in place today; and
- Pursued a permanent cross country ski venue in the Callaghan Valley (i.e. Whistler Olympic Park) as part of a legacy from the 2010 Olympic Winter Games.

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