

Nominated by:
John Walsh

Terry Smith Nomination

Debi Phelps

Debi Phelps is the current Race Chair for Bay Area Snow Sport Council's Open League and is a member of the Snowchasers Ski Club. She has held this position for 10 years. Since the merger of Sierra League, Singles League with Open League, Debi has been a major force in organizing, scheduling and leading all racing endeavors. She also schedules clinics for all three leagues and takes an active part in mentoring Junior Racing.

As Race Chair, Debi leads by example and is always busy on race days registering racers, interacting with mountain staff, inspecting courses and assigning volunteer workers to their positions. Post race, Debi can be found working with the statisticians reviewing results before leading the awards ceremony.

Debi joined Rusty Bindings Ski Club in 1991 as she was learning to ski. Racing followed soon afterward. She held many volunteer positions with the club including Secretary, Newsletter Editor and Club Race Director.

In 1997, she married her husband Bill, left Singles League and joined Open League and the Snowchasers. She immediately became their Race Director. Debi also contributed her time to the Bay Area Snow Sport Council by serving as Treasurer (2002), and she has been their webmaster since 2008 - a position she still holds.

In 1999, she became a certified ski instructor and is currently employed by Northstar Ski Corporation. She has attended at least 15 Far West Ski Association Conventions and at least 20 Ski Weeks. She can count over 45 pins on her vest of different ski areas she has visited!

I take great pride in nominating *Debi Phelps* for the *Terry Smith Award* for her endless energy and enthusiasm in promoting racing and Alpine skiing.

