

WMAC SNOSHU-NEWS

KELLY HERRINGTON LEAVES FOR WASHINGTON STATE

In 2006, WMAC snowshoeing approaches its 9th year of official races, and 11th year of holding events. We are fortunate that we get a lot of return business, people showing up race after race and year after year. It is nice knowing that as a director you can count on a certain number of participants.

A negative of seeing the same people year after year is that you start to depend on seeing them. This is fantastic until someone moves out of the area, and you realize that it won't be quite the same without them.

This season, Kelly Herrington will be looking for snowshoe adventures in Seattle, Washington. Kelly left an academic position in the Albany area for a move upward in the Great Northwest. He will be missed.

Kelly started snowshoeing the WMAC series in 2000, at Saratoga SPA Winterfest. I met him during sign-ins during the 2001 season, at South Pond and Greylock Glen. It was at Saratoga Frostfare during that 2001 season that I really got to know Kelly, as I had chased him from twenty feet behind the entire 5-miles. We talked at the finish line, and he introduced me to some of his family members.



Photos - Gary Bridgeman

Article – Farmer Ed

During the 2002 Greylock Glen race Kelly and I raced back and forth until coming out at the old structures prior to the never freezing pond, when we spied Scott Livingston slightly ahead. The three of us gave all we had to the finish, with Kelly coming out in front for a fantastic 7th place. It was a real gas sprinting in, laughter and whoops all the way. It was a fantastic way to end that race, something that really initiated a good friendship between Kelly and I especially.



Kelly has been a wonderful promoter of our snowshoe series, often bringing family and friends to events, sharing with them the enjoyment he always gained from days in the woods. Moody Spring and Tom McCrumm's South Face Farm Pancake House has always been especially special to Kelly.

Kelly has promised that when he returns to the northeast to visit family, he will try to make a snowshoe event or two each season. I certainly hope so, as he is one of the "regulars" that I expect to see on the starting line each race.

Kelly Herrington temporarily leaves us as:

10th all time in WMAC Series Points, totaling 2071 in 26 races.

2003 Overall Age Group Champion for 25 – 29 age division.

Ten times placed in the top ten overall at a WMAC Race.

Individual best races include:

- 93% at Frostfare '01 (1st and only Saratoga Battlefield), 6th overall.
- 93% was also gained at Saratoga Spa Winterfest in '03.
- '02 Greylock Glen Race, Kelly grabbed a 91% and 7th overall by out-sprinting Scott Livingston and Young Farmer Ed to the photo finish.
- Greylock Glen '03 had Kelly hitting a 10th overall with an 89% score.
- Moody Spring 2004 had Kelly charging to a 6th place finish.

ALL TIME WMAC SNOWSHOE POINTS LEADERS - 1998 - 2005

PL	NAME	# RACES	TOTAL PTS	PL	NAME	# RACES	TOTAL PTS
1	Bob Dion	53	4363.04	1	Carol Kane	33	1787.48
2	Leigh Schmitt	33	3242.14	2	Laura Clark	44	1780.67
3	Edward Alibozek	35	2828.16	3	Darlene McCarthy	25	1344.87
4	Ken Clark	31	2808.40	4	Deborah Livingston	17	1233.32
5	Ed Alibozek Jr	45	2655.60	5	Kelli Lusk	12	1025.38
6	Dave Dunham	27	2457.49	6	Jacque Schiffer	15	985.67
7	Bob Worsham	34	2229.51	7	Laurel Shortell	42	969.60
8	Richard Bolt	23	2154.67	8	Annie Schultz	13	822.63
9	David Boles	33	2141.50	9	Michele Tetreault	10	736.55
10	Kelly Herrington	26	2071.45	10	Beth Herder	9	683.13
11	Shaun Sutcliffe	23	1899.58	11	Stephanie Nephew	11	681.78
12	John Pelton	24	1846.25	12	Maureen Roberts	14	656.18
13	Paul Hartwig	34	1734.43	13	Sheryl Wheeler	8	651.69
14	Ben Nephew	18	1684.81	14	Tracey Delaney	8	643.58
15	Dave Hannon	20	1680.36	15	Lisa Schmitt	14	634.93
16	Scott Bradley	27	1672.61	16	Larina Riley	13	618.43
17	Lawrence Dragon	31	1642.97	17	Tracy Van Dyke	6	493.91
18	Paul Low	15	1485.23	18	Barbara Sorrell	12	483.50
19	Peter Lipka	27	1467.63	19	Eva VanStratum	9	475.15
20	Jay Kolodzinski	19	1407.64	20	Sally Goade	16	456.75
21	Richard Busa	49	1392.64	21	Lisa Mentzer	11	452.60
22	Jack Casey	18	1378.16	22	Claudine Preite	17	446.53
23	Jim Preite	17	1290.06	23	Jessica Hageman	10	441.24
24	Ed Saharczewski	24	1260.73	24	Marcia Whitney	7	439.16
25	Jim Schultz	14	1244.41	25	Nikki Kimball	5	434.93
26	Mike Lahey	19	1141.51	26	Jacqueline Lemieux	11	377.74
27	William Morse	22	1127.17	27	Elaine Lutzker	7	369.62
28	Wayne Stocker	17	1126.11	28	Denise Dion	20	361.60
29	Christophe Lanaud	12	1019.37	29	Aurora Lamperetta	8	351.03
30	Jack Quinn	17	1014.53	30	Bonnie Fachini	10	341.40
31	Karl Molitoris	16	983.63	31	Kelly Short	7	300.59
32	Elijah Barrett	11	981.31	32	Debbie Briggs	6	298.74
33	Bruce Marvonek	15	975.12	33	Sweep Voll	5	297.34
34	Ed Buckley	15	956.30	34	Lisa Swan	9	282.24
35	Bob Massaro	30	949.78	35	Julie Ryan	16	267.37
36	James Pawlicki	11	915.41	36	JoAnn Spinelli	6	258.87
37	Patrick Riley	14	884.53	37	Angie DeFilippi	3	248.85
38	Seth Roberts	12	860.01	38	Ellie George	7	244.87
39	Jan Rancatti	11	823.28	39	Stephanie Landy	4	242.35
40	Dan Verrington	10	821.24	40	Mary Quinn	6	241.41
41	Bill Ross	14	800.91	41	Tiffany Mann	4	239.44
42	Marc Lombard	13	785.65	42	Sue Joyner	11	233.57
43	Nick Jubock	11	773.78	43	Beth Trapasso	6	232.68
44	John Noonan	8	764.24	44	Jennifer Shultis	5	230.15
45	Bryan Dragon	9	758.59	45	Laura Monti	7	228.32
46	Mark Guillaume	8	715.94	46	Theresa Hance	3	224.54
47	Gregory Hammett	8	696.27	47	Janice Morra	3	216.42
48	Jim Carlson	22	694.79	48	Barbara McManus	3	192.36
49	Will Danecki	15	685.23	49	Erin Worsham	5	190.11
50	Rob Smith	10	666.52	50	Heather Mason	3	185.12
51	Konrad Karolczuk	53	664.71	51	Kathleen Aubin	3	184.18
52	Martin Glendon	23	660.50	52	Tricia Grenier	4	180.43
53	Mark Syrett	24	641.08	53	Natalia Hogan	3	176.63
54	Kennith Deary	15	623.90	54	Theresa Apple	4	168.29
55	John Onderdonk	7	620.27	55	Jennifer Rappaport	2	165.78
56	James Ruddock	9	607.04	56	Katherine Best	3	161.01
57	Rob Higley	7	606.58	57	Emily Meachem	3	154.94
58	Britt Brewer	8	602.96	58	Meg O'Leary	6	151.66

WMAC SCHEDULE 2006
"Not Yet Carved in Stone"

Sunday, December 18, 2005 5th I LOVE WOODFORD	Woodford, VT 3.5 Miles
Sunday, January 1, 2006 3rd MERRIMACK RIVER TRAIL	Andover, MA 5 KM
Saturday, January 14, 2006 7th GREYLOCK GLEN	Adams, MA 3.5 Mile
Sunday, January 15, 2006 1st SLUSH-SLINGER	Saratoga, NY 5 Miles
Saturday, January 21, 2006 1st HOFFMAN NOTCH	Schroon Lake, NY 6 Miles
Sunday, January 22, 2006 4th CURLY's RECORD RUN	Pittsfield, MA 4 Miles
Saturday, January 28, 2006 2nd MESSABESIC	Auburn, NH 5 KM
Sunday, January 29, 2006 2nd SIDE-HILLER	C. Sandwich, NH 4 Mile
Saturday, February 4, 2006 4th NORTHFIELD MTN	Northfield, MA 9.3 KM
Sunday, February 5, 2006 7th SARATOGA WINTERFEST	Saratoga, NY 5 KM
Saturday, February 11, 2006 5th MOODY SPRING	West Hawley, MA 8 KM & 15 KM
Saturday, February 18, 2006 4th CAMP SARATOGA	Wilton, NY 8.25 KM
Sunday, February 19, 2006 2nd BRAVE THE BLIZZARD	Guilderland, NY 5 KM
Saturday, February 25, 2006 4th COVERED BRIDGE	Adams, MA 8.0 Miles
Saturday, February 25, 2006 4th HOXIE THUNDERBOLT	Adams, MA 3.5 Miles
Saturday, March 4, 2006 9th HAWLEY KILN KLASSIC	Hawley, MA 4.0 & 7.0 Miles
Sunday, March 12, 2006 9th NORTH/ SOUTH POND	Florida, MA 5 Miles

POTENTIAL (AND / OR) MAKE-UP EVENTS

- CHESHIRE HARBOR TRAIL
- KEARSARGE
- MOBY DICK
- MT PROSPECT
- SPRUCE HILL CLIMB
- WACHUSETTS MOUNTAIN
- WEIR HILL

We hope to add at least one or two of these in, if the schedule allows.

2006 USSSA REGIONAL QUALIFIERS
"Northeast Region"

Sunday, January 08, 2006 BOLTON VALLEY N.E. QUALIFIER	Bolton Valley, VT 5 KM & 10 KM
Saturday, January 21, 2006 MENDON PONDS WINTERFEST	Mendon, NY 5 KM & 10 KM
Saturday, February 4, 2006 NORTHFIELD MTN	Northfield, MA 9.3 KM
Saturday, February 18, 2006 NESSCOPECK STATE PARK	Drums PA 5 KM & 10 KM
Saturday, February 18, 2006 CAMP SARATOGA	Wilton, NY 8.25 KM

USSSA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, March 25, 2006 BOLTON VALLEY	Bolton Valley VT 5 KM & 10 KM
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WMAC SCORING 2006

The 2006 WMAC Snowshoe Series will utilize the same system of scoring as last season. The scoring will be decided by points as follows:

Points will be awarded to all finishers, based on number of participants in each individual race, with 1st place always receiving 100 points, regardless of number of finishers. Each subsequent position will be awarded points on a sliding scale from 100.

Example; if 40 people complete Woodford, the overall winner will receive 100 points. The person in second will receive 97.5 points, third will get 95 points, on and on until the last finisher gets awarded the factor point. This will weight the scoring by number of participants.

If at the next event, Merrimack, there are 20 finishers, first place again gets 100 points, second 95, third 90 etc.

If there isn't snow at an event, a foot race may be held instead. The points awarded for a "non-snowshoe" race will be halved. So, if there is no snow at Race X, and 50 people participate, first place gets 50 points, second receives 49 points, etc. This way, the event (and the directors efforts) can be salvaged towards being part of the series, with lesser weight than a traditional snowshoe race.

The overall male / female WMAC Snowshoe Champions will be decided by total number of points for their best six out of ??? possible scores at the WMAC events.

Also, the top point producers in five year age categories, both men and women, will be declared age group champions. You must complete at least four of the events to be eligible for an age group title, with your best six scores counting.

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2005 WMAC SNOWSHOE SERIES AGE GROUPERS

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Based on Best Six Scores, Minimum Four Scores Needed for Age Group Title

16- 19

Jared Strait	(*2)	173.21
David Rogawski	(*2)	163.02
Ben Kolesar	(*2)	154.32

20 - 24

Stephen Wills	(*2)	198.44	Meghan Young	136.40 (*2)
Colin Carroll	(*2)	192.11	Katherine Best	107.26 (*2)
Kevin Tilton	(*2)	176.52	Emily Meacham	101.33 (*2)
John Couillard	(*2)	150.61	Kelly Short	100.60 (*3)

25 - 29

Ben Nephew	577.36	Mich. Tetreault	445.09
Jay Kolodzinski	505.90	Larina Riley	356.78
Patrick Riley	472.44	Jessica Hageman	261.72

30 - 34

Paul Low	593.82	Kelli Lusk	506.05
Rich Bolt	590.99	Laura Monti	149.15
Leigh Schmitt	387.19	Pilar Rodriguez	100.34 (*2)
Kelly Herrington	374.89	Julia Magnusson	70.61 (*2)

35 - 39

Rob Smith	352.08	Jacq. Lemieux	230.10
Christophe Lanaud	332.92	Laurel Shortell	155.05
Paul Kirsch	270.33	Lisa Mentzer	90.28

40 - 44

Jim Schultz	565.70	Annie Schultz	444.69
Edward Alibozek	510.89		
Jan Rancatti	290.98		

45 - 49

Shaun Sutcliffe	567.44	M. Roberts	200.16
Bob Dion	543.67	Denise Dion	177.80
Paul Hartwig	352.54	Eva V. Stratum	140.60 (*3)
Vincent Kirby	321.86	Sandy Superchi	118.59 (*3)
Bob Dick	198.01	Sally Goade	94.14

50 - 54

Jack Casey	469.08
Bill Morse	400.73
Paul Bazanchuck	371.68

55 - 59

Bob Worsham	347.01	Carol Kane	285.82
Alan Bates	311.62	Laura Clark	256.40
Jim Carlson	226.52	C. McKnight	43.73 (*2)

60 - 64

Bob Massaro	229.20	Ellen Mach	4.64 (*2)
Walt Kolodzinski	183.63		
Steve Mitchell	90.00		

65 - 69

Ed Alibozek, Jr.	368.21
Richard Hunt	107.16
Art Gulliver	22.25

70 - 74

Andy Keefe	31.74	75 - 79	
		Richard Busa	161.81

**WMAC SNOWSHOE CHAMPIONS
1998 - 2005**

1998	Bryan Dragon	Laurel Rollins
1999	Ken Clark	Beth Herder
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2001	Leigh Schmitt	Carol Kane
2002	Leigh Schmitt	Deb Livingston
2003	Richard Bolt	Sheryl Wheeler
2004	Ben Nephew	Kelli Lusk
2005	Paul Low	Kelli Lusk



**USSSA SNOWSHOE CHAMPIONS
2001 - 2005**

2001	Dave Dunham	Nikki Kimball
2002	Josiah Middaugh	Anita Ortiz
2003	Josiah Middaugh	Kelli Lusk
2004	Greg Krause	Nikki Kimball
2006	Aaron Robertson	Nikki Kimball

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