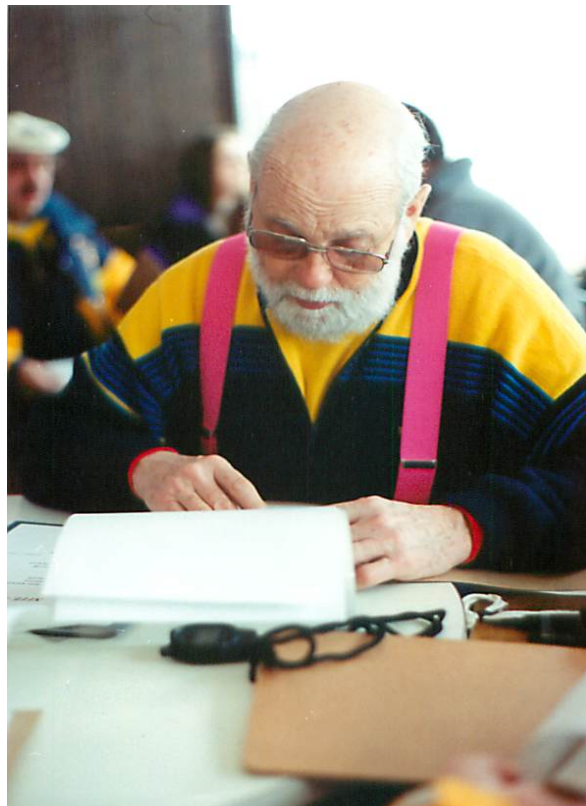


**National Life Member Don Mackenzie – 1985 – LM24
Kawartha Zone Life Member – 1981 – #2**

Don Mackenzie joined the Oshawa-Kirby Ski Patrol in 1960. The following year he was on the winning team at the Ontario Division first aid competition. Don became a first aid instructor and began a long string of administrative/executive positions in the Eastern Zone. In 1963 he and his wife, Joyce, started the Devil's Elbow Patrol. After a term as Zone Vice President, Don served as Eastern Zone President for two terms. When Kawartha Zone was created in 1973, Don was its first Training Officer.



Don Mackenzie at one of a multitude of competitions, marking score sheets

The development of Nordic ski patrolling captured Don's interest in 1977 (spurred on by Ross Penton). In three years as Nordic Vice President for Kawartha Zone he built the largest Nordic Patrol in Canada. Then he took his missionary zeal to the Division level where he accomplished even stronger growth in Nordic patrolling. After 4 years as Nordic V.P. in Ontario Division, he served as National Nordic Operations Advisory from 1985 – 90 and promoted better relationships between Nordic and Alpine Patrollers. He worked to develop a better Nordic jacket, a Nordic toboggan, and a Nordic Instructor Guide.

Don held CSP #197 and an Olympic Volunteer Award. He received Life Member #24 in his 24th year in the CSPA.

(After Don retired, he changed his occupation from "educator" to "tree farmer". Don returned to Oshawa-Kirby for assigned alpine duty – usually on Fridays. Don achieved over 40 years of active service. He passed away in 2005.)

**THE PASSING OF A KAWARTHA LEGEND
DON MACKENZIE (1932 – 2005)
(extracted from SWEEP 2005)**