

# Terry Smith Nomination

*Beat Hupfer*

Nominated by:  
**John Armstrong**  
**Ralph Lehotsky**

**Beat Hupfer** has served the skiing public and Far West Members at Mammoth Mountain for 25 years in his capacity as an instructor, Race Department coach, Junior Team coach and program director, and now as the Director of the Mammoth Mountain Race Department.

Beat is a PSIA certified instructor; a USSA certified coach and is also a certified instructor in his home country of Switzerland.

Beat has been a successful champion of club racing and has been an important link between club and league race chairs, and management at Mammoth. He has campaigned for trail space, facilities and support for Far West racing clinics and events. In a world of changing styles and activities on our slopes, Beat has maintained a passionate representation for racing at a time when the world seems to be riding a board in our parks.

Beat has organized many championship events for Far West and has arranged for high quality material and personnel to make the event both successful and professionally delivered.

At Mammoth we often have events that are changed by Mother Nature and Beat has tirelessly arranged for make up dates and has doubled up on events in order to complete the schedule of events for Far West.

Beat has also served as the Chair of the Western Region Alpine Competition Committee for USSA. This group is responsible for the development of junior racers in the western United States as they progress towards our Olympic teams.

Beat is passionate about racing, is an accomplished coach, and an outstanding event organizer who believes in the same values and ideals that Far West has embraced and identified with the Terry Smith Award.

I knew Terry Smith, and I would venture to say he would have been proud to meet Beat and happy to see him receive this award.

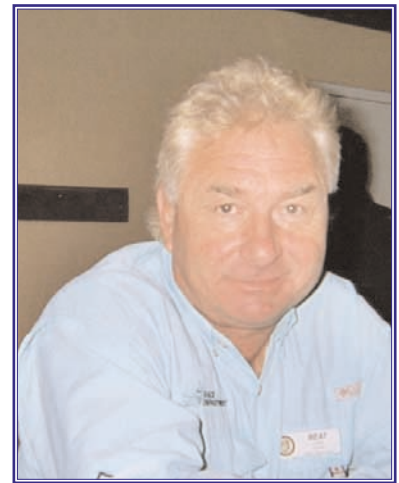


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