## 2023 SERVICE TO SNOWSPORT AWARD RECIPIENTS

Allan Marsland has been involved with cross-country skiing at local, state, national, and international levels since 1970, and he was Chair of the National Cross Country Committee from 1993 to 1996.

Marsland was involved with Birkebeiner Nordic Ski Club, helping to navigate the establishment of the only Southern Hemisphere event in the Worldloppet series. Marsland was also the Race Director of Kangaroo Hoppet from 1991 for over ten years, now holding the role of Chair of the committee for the past decade.

Marsland credits his commitment to the sport to his family and the Birkebeiner Club.

"I would like to thank my family for putting up with all my ski-related activities for the last 40-odd years," he said.

"I would also like to thank all the great people in the Birkebeiner club and the wider cross-country community I have worked with over the decades.

"Special mention to three people: Paul L'Huillier and Brian Keeble, who were instrumental in putting together the Kangaroo Hoppet, and Helen L'Huillier, who was the key Hoppet person off-snow as Race Secretary for 30 years."