

NOMINATION FORM  
For  
HONORED MEMBERSHIP  
In The  
U.S. SKI & SNOWBOARD HALL OF FAME

Scott Brooksbank

Born: February 28, 1950  
Denver, CO USA

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Is the candidate still living? Yes

Nominator Information  
Jim Brooksbank

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For what category are you nominating this candidate?

Athlete: XX

Scott Brooksbank Recommendation for Nomination  
as an Honored Inductee into the  
U.S. Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame

Dear Selection Committee,

Without inspired individuals, the sport of Freestyle Skiing would never have become what it is today. Therefore, it is appropriate to honor the leaders and pioneers who have made contributions to the introduction and development of Freestyle Skiing. I am proud to nominate Scott Brooksbank for membership in the Hall of Fame.

Scott is a five-time World Freestyle Champion, coach and visionary. He created the Ski With a Legend program at the Sunday River and Northstar Ski Resorts. He participated in the Challenge of the Legends of Freestyle Tour well into his forties. With over 40 career podium appearances, he has more combined titles than any other Freestyle skier.

After high school in 1969, Scott was continuing his diving career at the University of Minnesota. After the 1970 season he decided academia was not for him, so he took Horace Greeley's advice from 1865 to "Go West young man, go West". Landing in Vail, he lived with three roommates in a two bedroom apartment and worked two part time jobs at night busing tables at The Ore House and La Cave restaurants. During the day he skied hard, pushing his athletic abilities to their limits. He was tenacious, dedicated and disciplined in his training which paid off in 1972. He was the Grand National Champion in both the Moguls and the Combined at Vail's Chevrolet Exhibition Skiing Championships, winning a new Chevy Corvette.

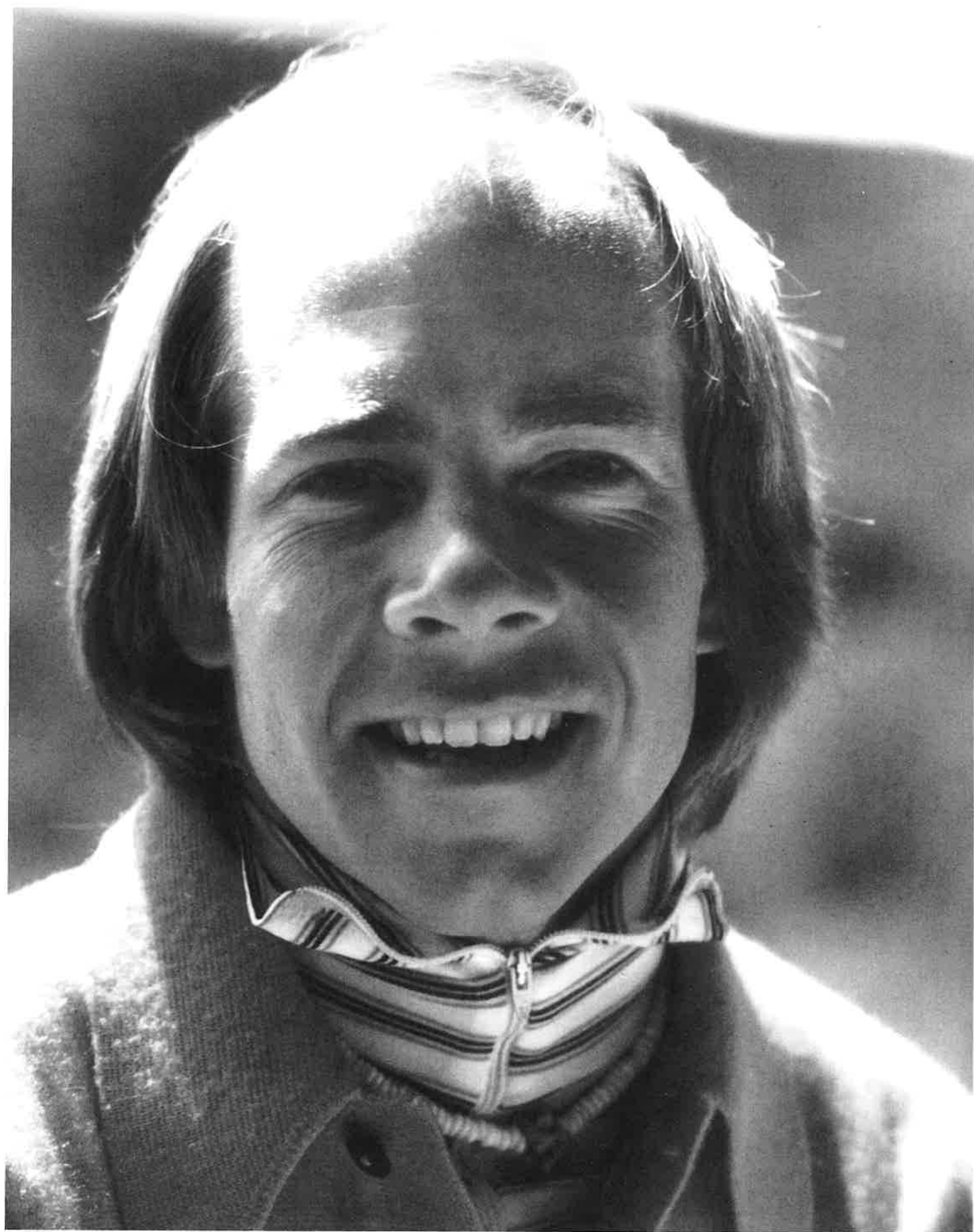
With his easy going personality Scott was a favorite coach at freestyle camps around the world. He is still a Master Coach at Jon Clendenin's camps in Aspen and Park City. This past January, Scott spent several days with his nephew's sons, ages 18 and 13, on their first trip to Park City. After dinner they traded skiing and family stories. Scott told the kids how in 1984 he worked with their father, then just a 14 year old kid from Minnesota; improving the young man's skill and enjoyment of skiing. Now, 35 years later, Scott is working with the next generation.

Scott Brooksbank will be a great addition to the Ski Hall of Fame after almost fifty years performing, coaching and inspiring others to honor and celebrate the sport of skiing.

Respectfully,



Jim Brooksbank





One of the best known names in the explosion of Hot Dog/Freestyle Skiing in the early 1970's with Ed Ferguson, Wayne Wong, John Clendenin.

### **Pioneering Accomplishments**

- 1972 & '73: Assistant director and coach at Airborne Eddie Ferguson's Freestyle Camps at Crystal Mountain, WA.
- 1973 & '74: Member of the four man Marlboro Demonstration Team headed by Annie Famose, in over 20 locations in Europe and Japan.
- 1973 & '74: Featured performer in the Expowinter Ski Tour held nationwide.
- 1974: Assistant director and coach of Dynastar Freestyle Camp at Los 2 Alpes, near Grenoble, FRA.
- 1974: Featured performer in over 20 Harry Leonard Ski and Campus Shows around the U.S.
- 1978 & '79: Board member of Freestyle Skiers of America. Worked with John Eaves (CFSA) and Fuzzy Garhammer (EFSA) to host the World Cup Freestyle Tour. Tour consisted of 8 stops for men and women in Europe, Canada and the U.S. Absorbed by FIS after 1979 season preparing for Olympic acceptance.
- 1979: Assistant director and coach at Fuzzy Garhammer Summer Freestyle Camp in Kaprun, AUS.
- 1990 & '91: Director of Freestyle Skiing, Sunday River, ME. Produced two Divisional Champions, one Junior National Champion, Ben Wheeler.
- 1992: Ski Instructor, Northstar Ski Resort, Truckee, CA.
- 1992-'96: Competed in Challenge of the Legends of Freestyle. Dual moguls finalist in 1992, '93, '95, '96.
- 1993-'95: Proposed and directed Ski with the Legend program, Northstar Ski Resort, Truckee, CA.
- 1996 & '97: Directed introductory and advanced shaped ski clinics, Northstar Ski Resort, Truckee, CA.
- 1996 to Present: Master Coach with John Clendenin Ski Camps, Aspen and Park City.

## Achievements: Scott Brooksbank

### Titles and Awards

1970: Vail Gelande contest	2 <sup>nd</sup> place
1971: Vail Gelande contest	4 <sup>th</sup> place
Vail Chevrolet Exhibition Skiing Chmps	4 <sup>th</sup> place Moguls
1972: Vail Chevrolet Exhibition Skiing Chmps	Grand National Champion Combined
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Aspen Hot Shot Contest	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Combined
1973: Vail Gelande contest	1 <sup>st</sup> place
Rocky Mountain Freestyle Divisional Chmps	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
Waterville Valley Freestyle Divisional Chmps	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
Waterville Valley Freestyle Divisional Chmps	1 <sup>st</sup> Place Moguls
Heavenly Valley	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Moguls
Vail Freestyle Contest	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Moguls
Vail Freestyle Contest	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Ballet
1974: Sun Valley	1 <sup>st</sup> place Aerials
Jackson Hole	1 <sup>st</sup> place Aerials
Aspen Highlands	1 <sup>st</sup> place Ballet
Waterville Valley	1 <sup>st</sup> place Moguls
1975: Europa Cup, Bayrischzell, Ger	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
Park City West Championships	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
Crested Butte	1 <sup>st</sup> place Ballet
World Cup Trophy, Cervinia, IT	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
World Cup Trophy Grand Prix	1 <sup>st</sup> place Ballet
World Freestyle Championships, Snowbird	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
1976: Jeep Honcho World Trophy, Heavenly Valley	1 <sup>st</sup> place Ballet
Jeep Honcho World Trophy, Heavenly Valley	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
Equitable Ski America Classic, Stowe	1 <sup>st</sup> place Ballet
Midas Volkl World Trophy	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
Colgate World Trophy, Bayrischzell, Ger.	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
Colgate World Trophy, Cervinia, IT	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
World Cup Trophy, Snowbird	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
World Cup Trophy Snowbird	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Ballet

## **Achievements: Scott Brooksbank**

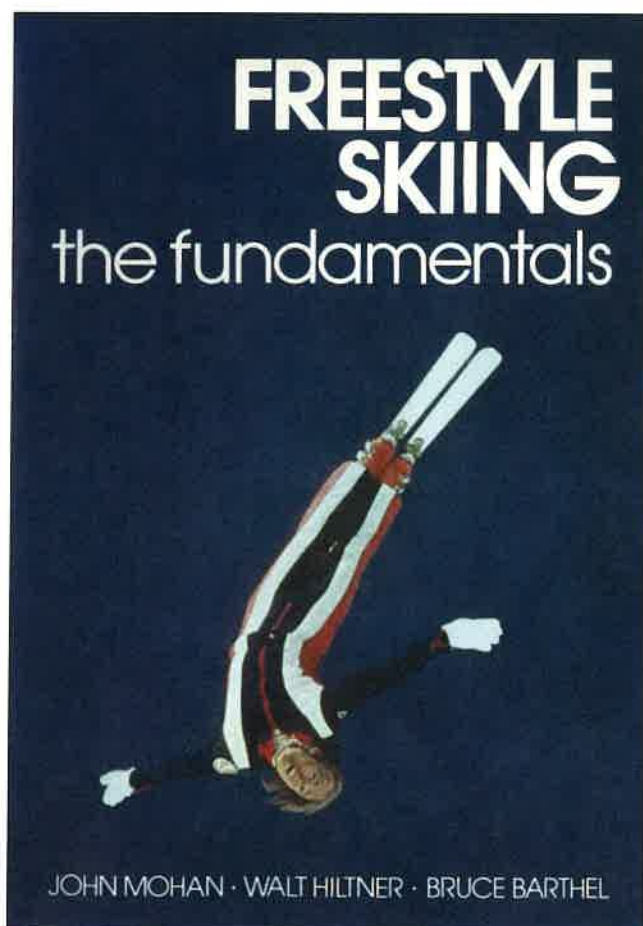
### **Titles and Awards page 2**

1976: Ski Racing Magazine	Int'l Freestyle Skier of the Year
Skiing Magazine	Mens Freestyler of the Year
1977: Stratton Mtn	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Aerials
Grand Prix World Trophy	4 <sup>th</sup> place Combined
1978: Praloup, FR	1 <sup>st</sup> place Aerials
Kranska-Gora, Yugo	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Ariels
Isola 2000, FR.	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Ariels
Kitzbuehel, AU	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Combined
Pian Cavallo, IT	2 <sup>nd</sup> Moguls
Pian Cavallo, IT	2 <sup>nd</sup> Combined
St. Anne, CAN.	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Aerials
Silver Star, CAN	1 <sup>st</sup> place Combined
World Cup Grand Prix	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Aerial
World Cup Grand Prix	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Combined
1980: FIS World Cup Freestyle, Poconos	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Combined
FIS World Cup Freestyle, Poconos	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Ballet
FIS World Cup Freestyle, Whistler, BC	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Moguls
FIS World Cup Freestyle, Tignes, FRA	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Ballet
FIS World Cup Freestyle, Tignes, FRA	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Combined
1984: Powder 8's Wanaka, NZ	1 <sup>st</sup> place w/Scot Schmidt
2001: Utah Ski Archives	Inducted as a Pioneer of Freestyle Skiing with over 30 World Cup Victories

## **FILMS**

Scott Brooksbank was featured or starred in over 25 ski films and videos (1972-2015)

- 1972: Featured performer in *Winter People*, Produced and Directed by Warren Miller
- 1975: Featured performer in *Hot Dog the Movie*, super 8 film, Produced by Ettore Barabino  
Featured performer in *Assignment K2*, Produced and Directed by Dick Barrymore  
Featured performer and ski double for Beau Bridges in *The Other Side of the Mountain*, Universal Pictures, Produced by Edward Fedman Directed by Larry Pearce  
Featured Performer in *White Horizons*, Produced and Directed by Dick Barrymore.
- 1979: Featured performer in *Winter Fever*, Produced and Directed by Warren Miller
- 1981: Featured performer in *Ski in the Sun*, Produced and Directed by Warren Miller
- 1984: Featured performer in *Ski Country*, Produced and Directed by Warren Miller
- 1985: Featured performer in *Steep and Deep*, Produced and Directed by Warren Miller
- 1986: Featured performer in *Beyond the Edge*, Produced and Directed by Warren Miller
- 1986: Featured performer with John Eaves & Susie Chaffee in *Feuer und Eis*, Produced and Directed by Willy Bogner; Winner of The Bavarian Film Awards Special Prize
- 1990: Featured performer in *Extreme Winter*, Produced and Directed by Warren Miller
- 1997: Featured performer in *The Golden Years of Ski Films*, Produced and Directed by Dick Barrymore
- 2015: Featured performer in *Dog Days of Winter*, Produced by True Grit Productions, Directed by Brian Gilmore



## **PROMOTIONAL FILMS**

- The French Kick* by Air France and Paramount  
*Besser Bindings* by A&T Ski Co. and Jim Rice

## **MAGAZINE COVERS**

Ski Sept. 1972; Ski Dec. 1975; Ski Oct. 1983; Skiing Spring, 1973 & Nov. 1976.

## **BOOKS**

- Skiing The Rockies, by Bruce Barthel, 1980. Several pictures featured within the book.
- Freestyle Skiing: The Fundamentals, by John Mohan – Walt Hiltner – Bruce Bartell. 1976 Cover Shot.





## Anecdotes: Scott Brooksbank

**Just Another Pretty Face:** Often the subject of magazine articles, Scott was on a cover 5 times. And he was the cover shot for Walt Hiltner's hardcover book, *Freestyle Skiing: The Fundamentals* in 1976.

**Waiting for Gollner:** Scott saw someone skiing down Picture Rock under chair #4. It took two runs to catch up to him. In the middle of Tourist Trap, Herman asked "Why you follow me?" Answer, "You are the best skier on this mountain." Herman asked Scott to finish the run while he watched, and then invited Scott to lunch at the Gold Peak House, where they talked about skiing and pushing yourself to the limit. Two years after winning the Corvette, Scott climbed his way up to Herman's race shack at Stratton Mountain in the pouring rain. Herman opened the door and recognized Scott immediately, then asked "Why you follow me?" They both burst out laughing for several minutes. Scott thanked him for the advice back in Vail, and for the inspiration to be the best skier possible.

**Waiting for Gollner 2.0:** Rossingnol supported Scott 100% in his efforts to be the first freestyle skier to train with the US Ski Team in Portillo, Chile. The head coach-- Herman Gollner.

**Here come da judge:** In 1976, Scott and Mark Stegemeier recruited the legendary gymnastic coach at Ohio State, Charlie Pond, to be the head clinician at seminars for event judges. This was a key to maintaining the integrity of the events and the safety of the competitors. Mark was able to incorporate speed points for the moguls, while Scott developed a degree of difficulty chart for aerals and ballet. Charlie Pond was a Head World Cup judge for many years.

**Sure he can ski, but can he coach?:** Even during his competitive years, Scott was always promoting the sport. As assistant director for Eddie Ferguson's Freestyle Camps at Chrystal Mountain, he coached future competitors and champions the art of aerals. He is working here with a young freestyle hopeful on her first front flip. Is that Marion Post, future multiple World Champion and Female Freestyle Skier of the Year? I believe it is.





The following are names and addresses of those people  
who support Scott Brooksbank for this nomination

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27 April 2019

To the selection committee for the Ski and Snow Board Hall of Fame on behalf of Scott Brooksbank

Scott Brooksbank burst on the scene by winning Freestyle's first national event in Vail, Colorado. In this event, he also won the biggest prize ever given in Freestyle History: a Chevy Corvette! This was not enough for Scott. He went on, as this application documents, to become the most decorated Freestyle skier in History. He also has the distinction of being the only competitor that has won each individual Freestyle event multiple times. These facts point to his most valuable contribution to our sport: He took Freestyle to a new level. He trained harder – he was more fit – more disciplined and more dedicated than any other competitor. If we wanted to compete in Scott's world, we all had to take it up a notch. Scott, thank you, for bringing the ultimate meaning of the word "Professional" to our sport. With your help, all we legends can proudly say we're Professional Freestyle Skiers.

Scott has never retired. He continues as one of the most respected coaches in skiing. He ran the famous Legend's program in NorthStar for years. He continued as a Master Coach in my program in Aspen. Twenty years ago, we started the "Camp with the Champs" which continues to this day, with camps in Aspen and Park City. Most campers consider Scotty the most "knowledgeable coach they have ever had"!

Speaking for all your fellow legends, and all your campers, we are proud to have you, Scott Brooksbank recognized and embraced by our Ski and Snow Board Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Clendenin".

John Clendenin

To: US Ski & Snowboard HOF Committee  
RE: 2020 Scott Brooksbank HOF Nomination Letter of Support

Honored Members of the HOF Committee,

I am honored to have been asked to support with great enthusiasm and respect the nomination of my fellow Professional Freestyle Tour competitor and coach, Scott Brooksbank, to membership in the HOF.

When I reflect back on my years of competition on the World Trophy Tour, there was one competitor who, each season, was the most prepared, intense and fierce of all of us competing at the highest level of the sport. Of the hundreds of competitors who challenged each other and the mountains we competed on, "Brooks" stood out as the most consistent in all three disciplines and therefore usually won or was on the podium as the "Combined" winner. Winning the Combined Championship would thus crown that skier as "King Of The Hill" and was the most cherished of all titles. Scott also won several individual events as well.

Scott performed and was showcased in the most Warren Miller films in his era. Scott was on the boards of many competitor committees giving his time and efforts to support and strengthen Freestyle Skiing at all levels including future acceptance of the sport in the Olympics. Because of his incredible dedication to off-season conditioning programs, Scott outlasted all of his original Pioneers of Freestyle from the early days of the sport. Scott continues to coach camps and study the art and discipline of the ski turn.

Thus because of Scott's exceptional dedication to the development of the sport of Freestyle Skiing at the highest level of the sport, he deserves considerable recognition and will be an excellent member of the HOF. His place in the HOF as the greatest all-around Professional Freestyle Skier is long overdue. It is my pleasure and honor to recommend him.

Respectfully,

Scott Willingham  
Pioneer of Freestyle Skiing HOF Member  
1977 World Freestyle Champion  
Competitor on the World Freestyle Tour 1973-1979

## **To the National Election Board of the Ski Hall of Fame**

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**This letter is written in enthusiastic support of Scott Brooksbank to be inducted into the S&SBHOF.**

**Scott pioneered trick- and standard alpine skiing from coast to coast. His personal energy, humor and resourcefulness inspired many of us to stretch ourselves in the direction of our full potential. In that sense Scott needs to be seen in company of the likes of Wayne Wong, another inductee in the S&SBHOF, in having influenced and developed not just the scope of Alpine Skiing, but also contributed to the development of ski equipment and safety of bindings.**

**Wherever Scott showed up he attracted swarms of skiers like a Pied Piper, his great success and contribution to Alpine Skiing being both attributable to his engaging character, his ability to attract and entertain skiers, as well as landing competitive results that fill several rooms with trophies. Inspired and inspiring to others, Scott will shine in the company of other S&SBHOF-ers.**

**In enthusiastic support of Scott;**

**Horst Abraham**

**Horst Abraham**

**Full Certified Instructor in Austria, France and the US – Nordic and Alpine**

**Inductee into the Rocky Mountain Ski&Sb Hall of Fame**

**Inductee into the National Ski&Sb Hall of Fame**

**PSIA-National Director of Training and Development**

**Faculty at the Ross School of Business, University of Michigan**

April 29, 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this letter of support for Scott Brooksbank for nomination to the US Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame. I met Scott back in 1973 and competed along side him until the early 80's. Scott was one of the most talented athletes I have ever known and he proved this time after time by winning and placing in numerous competitions throughout the world. Scott was the whole package, well versed in all three disciplines and maintained high placements in all three consistently. He was a diver through school which gave him a higher air awareness than most. He burst onto the Freestyle scene at Vail, Colorado and took the overall prize...A shiny new Chevy Corvette!!! Scott was the epitome of a professional. He worked hard to be better and go bigger than his opponents and succeeded numerous times. He is a coach, competitor, well known face in and around Utah and an unforgettable pioneer of Freestyle Skiing. With 5 Ski and Skiing Magazine covers, The cover of a Freestyle instructional guide, tons of titles and a true master of the craft It would benefit the USSSHOF to have Scott Brooksbank as an Honored Member.

Sincerely,

Genia Fuller-Crews

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Honored Member

Board of Directors

United States Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame

To the US ski and snowboard Hall of Fame committee.

I would like to nominate freestyle competitor, athlete and artist, Scott Brooksbank to the US Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame.

Scotty has dedicated much of his life to the sport of skiing. Starting out as one of the original skiers in a small group of freestyle competitors that, helped bring freestyle skiing to the mainstream. He powered down the hill and through the air making it look smooth, effortless and exhilarating, at the same time. Which goes right along with his humble core values!

Scotty's generosity was always apparent on and off the hill! He wanted to do more than just compete he wanted to give back and he started the first Sure Fit shop in Snowbird Utah, custom fitting ski boots for kids, racers, adults and even beginners. This effort led to his customers achieving their goals on the hill pain free. He was also actively involved with some of Superfeet's early product development and testing. Always working on how can we perform better with the most efficiency and comfort. This led to ski instruction and programs in North Lake Tahoe that allowed consumers to learn from one of the best all Mountain skiers around. His sense of connection to the mountain with carving a turn is truly unmatched and amazing. Scotty has amazing talent on the hill and off the hill he's a very accomplished artist and those two traits together do not come along often in athletes of his caliber.

It is for these reasons of, his athletic ability and achievement with freestyle and extreme skiing. His commitment to the skiing public to improve their experience on the hill with equipment and technique and most of all his deep-seated core values of **integrity, responsibility, respect, honesty, fairness and generosity** that, I believe makes Scotty worthy of this honor. He inspired young skiers to follow in his footsteps.

Sincerely,

Jeff Gray C.Ped

Superfeet Worldwide Inc.

Dir. of Outreach and Fit.

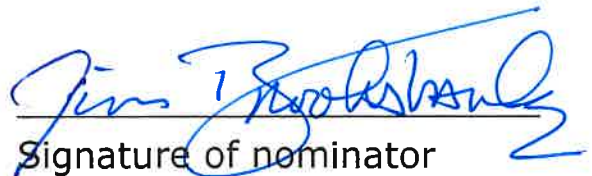


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