

## Walter E Mattson

Walter E. "Matt" Mattson was born in Chisolm, Mn in 1900 and died in Duluth, MN in 1976.

For 40 years Walter was the caretaker and supervisor for the Chester Park Bowl ski jumping area.

He originated the first boys National Ski Jumping Championships to Duluth's Chester Bowl in 1948 and hosted the event again in 1954.

He helped bring the National Junior Combined Championship to Duluth in 1967.

He hosted many Minnesota State High School Ski Jumping Championships.

Walter organized many City of Duluth Ski Jumping Championships from Rabbit Ears, Little Chester, Big Chester and the 70 meter ski jump at Fond Du Lac, Minnesota.

Winning the annual Walter E. Mattson Trophy was an honor to Duluth ski jumpers. Duluth's Chester Bowl produced many Olympic Ski Jumpers and U.S. Ski Jumping Team members, most of whom are in the ski jumping HOF.

Walter was past president and lifelong member of the Duluth Ski Club

He was voted to the Duluth Hall of Fame and was involved in many fraternal organizations in Duluth.