



## Nancy Greene (Raine), O.C.



Inducted CSHF: 1992

Hometown: Ottawa, ON / Rossland, BC

Date of Birth: May 11, 1943

Affiliated Discipline(s): Alpine, Downhill, Giant Slalom, Official, Builder

Active Career Date(s): 1959 - 1968

FIS Code: -10680

Club:

The undisputed best female ski racer in the 1960s, Nancy Greene Raine has always remained in the forefront of public recognition. Over 31 years after winning Gold and Bronze Medals at the 1968 Winter Olympic Games in Grenoble, France, she was named Canada's Female Athlete of the Century in November 1999.

Her racing career coincided with rapid changes in skiing, both in equipment (she started her racing career wearing lace boots and skiing on wooden skis and retired with plastic buckle boots and fiberglass skis) and in the organization of skiing. She saw the beginning of a true National Ski Team program in Canada and the introduction of the World Cup.

Competing all over North America, Europe and South America, Nancy Greene represented Canada in the World Championships in Chamonix, France, 1966 Portillo, Chile, and three Winter Olympic Games: 1960 Squaw Valley, U.S.A., 1964 Innsbruck, Austria, and 1968 Grenoble, France.

During her nine year racing career, Nancy Greene Raine won three U.S. Championship titles, seven Canadian Ski Championship titles, 13-World Cup victories in 1967 and 1968 (the most by a Canadian competitor). In 1967, she became Overall World Cup Champion a feat she duplicated in 1968 when she also became the Federation Internationale de Ski (FIS) Combined Champion and, in the same year, won her Olympic Medals, Silver in Slalom, Gold in Giant Slalom.

### **Honours & Awards**

Officer of the Order of Canada 1968

Order of the Dogwood, (British Columbia's highest award)

Canadian 'Athlete of the Year', 1967 & 1968

1967: Amateur Athletic Union 'Female Athlete of the Year'

1968: B'nai B'rith 'Woman of the Year'

1988: B.C. 'Ambassador of Tourism'

1991: Whistler's 'Citizen of the Year' (with husband Al)

### **Member**

National Sports Hall of Fame

B.C. Sports Hall of Fame

Canadian Ski Hall of Fame (Formerly the Honour Roll of Canadian Skiing)

U.S. Ski Hall of Fame

1968 Federal Task Force on Sport

Honourary Chairman, Nancy Greene Ski League

### **Competitive Highlights:**

- 1960 Selected to represent Canada on the women's national alpine ski team at Squaw Valley, California, USA, at the age of 16-years.
- 1961 2nd place, giant slalom, United States National Championships.
- 1961 2nd place, slalom, United States National Championships.
- 1962 1st place, downhill, Toni Mark Memorial Races, Austria (her first victory in Europe).  
5th place, Federation Internationale de Ski (FIS) championships, Chamonix, France.
- 1963 1st place, downhill, Quebec Kandahar races, Mont Tremblant, Quebec.  
1st place, slalom, Quebec Kandahar races, Mont Tremblant, Quebec.  
1st place, downhill, Canadian National Championships.  
1st place, slalom, Canadian National Championships.  
3rd place, downhill, United States National Championships, Alaska.

- 1964 3rd place, giant slalom, United States National Championships, Alaska.  
7th place, downhill, Olympic Winter Games, Innsbruck, Austria.  
16th place, slalom, Olympic Winter Games, Innsbruck, Austria.
- 1965 15th place, giant slalom, Olympic Winter Games, Innsbruck, Austria.  
1st place, slalom, United States National Championships, Crystal Mountain, Washington State.  
1st place, giant slalom, United States National Championships, Crystal Mountain, Washington State.  
1st place, slalom, Far West Kandahar races, Alpine Meadows, California, USA.  
1st place, downhill, Roch Cup races, Aspen, Colorado, USA.  
1st place, slalom, Roch Cup races, Aspen, Colorado, USA.  
1st place, downhill, Canadian National Championships.  
1st place, slalom, Canadian National Championships.  
1st place, giant slalom, Canadian National Championships.  
1st place, giant slalom, Silver Belt Race, Norden, California, USA.  
In the spring of 1965, the Federation Internationale de Ski (FIS) awarded her the highest possible ranking achievable in slalom and giant slalom.
- 1966 1st place, slalom, Bad Gastein, Austria.  
2nd place, slalom, Malibor, Yugoslavia.  
2nd place, slalom, Grindelwald, Switzerland.  
4th place, giant slalom, Federation Internationale de Ski (FIS) World Championships, Portillo, Chile.
- 1967 7th place, slalom, Federation Internationale de Ski (FIS) World Championships, Portillo, Chile.  
1st place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Oberstaufen, Austria.  
1st place, slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Oberstaufen, Austria.  
1st place, downhill, FIS World Cup competition, Grindelwald, Switzerland.  
1st place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Grindelwald, Switzerland.  
3rd place, slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Schruns, Austria.  
4th place, downhill, FIS World Cup competition, Schruns, Austria.  
3rd place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Franconia, New Hampshire, USA.  
1st place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Vail Colorado, USA.  
1st place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Jackson Hole, Wyoming, USA.
- 1968 1st place, slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Jackson Hole, Wyoming, USA.  
3rd place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Oberstaufen, Austria.  
3rd place, slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Oberstaufen, Austria.  
1st place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Grindelwald, Switzerland.  
10th place, downhill, Olympic Winter Games, Grenoble, France.  
10th place, downhill, FIS World Ski Championships, Grenoble, France.  
3rd place, slalom, Olympic Winter Games, Grenoble, France.  
2nd place, slalom, FIS World Ski Championships, Grenoble, France.  
1st place, giant slalom, Olympic Winter Games, Grenoble, France.  
1st place, giant slalom, FIS World Ski Championships, Grenoble, France.  
1st place, downhill, FIS World Cup competition, Chamonix, France.  
1st place, downhill, FIS World Cup competition, Aspen, Colorado, USA.  
1st place, slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Aspen, Colorado, USA.  
1st place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Aspen Colorado, USA.  
1st place, slalom, Canadian national Championships, Collingwood, Ontario.  
1st place, giant slalom, Canadian National Championships, Collingwood, Ontario.  
1st place, slalom, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA.  
1st place, giant slalom, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA.  
1st place, downhill, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA.  
1st place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Rossland, BC, Canada.  
5th place, giant slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Heavenly Valley, California, USA.  
2nd place, slalom, FIS World Cup competition, Heavenly Valley, California, USA.

*Please Note: The ski information gathered here is compiled from a number of sources; it may not be inclusive of all accomplishments.*

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