

# UNITED STATES BIATHLON ASSOCIATION

## Hall of Fame

# JOHN MORTON

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John Morton has represented the United States at 7 Olympics, dating back to the Sapporo Games in 1972, as an athlete, coach and Team Leader. John has modeled the spirit of the Olympic movement for generations of athletes in his over his 30 years of involvement with the US Biathlon Team, and has set a standard for humility, integrity, and success.

A prep school skier John became an outstanding collegiate skier for Middlebury College, sweeping all the Eastern Carnival races in 1966. He was named to the U.S. Cross Country



Ski Team in 1968 and after becoming an in the U.S. Army he was assigned to the USMWBTC in Alaska. He soon found success as a member of the U.S. Biathlon Team at the World Championships in 1969 and 1970. Except for a tour of duty in Vietnam in 1971 for which he was awarded the Bronze Star, John remained on the U.S. Biathlon team from 1969 through the 1976 season. In that time span he was a member of the U.S. Olympic team at the Sapporo and Innsbruck Olympic Games as an athlete and from 1976 through 2002 John served as an assistant coach and Team Leader for the U.S. Team, including other roles at 5 more Olympic events.

John's career has also included serving as the head coach for the Dartmouth ski team from 1978 to 1989 and served multiple roles at the World University Games as well as the Eastern Regional Biathlon coach. He was responsible for recruiting many talented skiers to biathlon that ultimately like John himself followed their collegiate careers by becoming Olympic team members. John is the author two books about the sport and is a well-known public radio storyteller and a popular keynote speaker. He established a ski and hiking trail design service, and a was co-founder of the Maine Winter Sports Center. John has been and continues to be an ambassador of the sport and great source of inspiration for the biathlon community as an athlete, coach, team leader, author, chief of course, and trail designer. His contributions have been exceptional and is welcomed as a member of the Hall of Fame.