



## **HARRIS F ANDERSEN**

- 1880 Born in Montevideo, MN, family moved to Red Wing when he was four months old.
- 1895 Member of the Aurora Ski Club of Red Wing at age 15. Aurora, known as the “Old Banner Club”, created “Red Wing Style” skiing (Telemark form) that become the national standard.
- 1911 Aurora’s “All Americans” dominated the NSA US National Tournament, taking five of the top ten places, including Francis Kempe’s individual championship. Andersen places fourth, but later defeats Kempe in head-to-head competition.
- 1927 President of the National Ski Association and successfully works to bring the 1928 National Ski Tournament to Red Wing, MN.
- 1928 Largely through Andersen’s leadership, the 1928 Nationals at Red Wing’s Charlson Hill became a major sporting and financial success. During the tournament, Andersen helps stop the nation’s best jumpers from surrendering amateur status and returning the sport to its professional roots.
- 1936 Helped bring the NSA US Nationals back to Charlson. He was a leader in promotion and helped secure financing.
- 1935-39 Always a promoter of ski jumping, Andersen organizes and stages children’s ski jumping clinics in Red Wing. These efforts produced a new generation of Aurora athletes for post WWII American Ski jumping competitions.
- 1940 Passed away at his Red Wing home.