



REPORT TO THE FAR WEST DIVISION  
**PROGRAM STATUS REPORT**  
**2014 – 2015 SEASON RECAP**  
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**PROGRAM: Awards**

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**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS — total classes — total participants**

Last Year the FWD won more than its fair share of National Outstanding Awards. The FWD submitted nominations in all 12 of the award categories and won four Gold Merit Stars and five Silver Merit Stars.

The FWD Board should be cautioned not to expect the same results this year. Prudence suggests that we lower our expectations and focus on honoring our members at the Division level.

As of July 9, 2015 we have 45 award nominations including 2 National Appointments, 12 Merit Star Nominations 23 National Outstanding Nominations, 1 Distinguished Service Award, 4 Meritorious Service Awards and one Nomination to the Ski Patrol Hall of Fame.

**GOALS FOR COMING SEASON:**

Continue to encourage and promote participation in the awards program.

**Deadlines for 2015-2016.**

- Outstanding Awards to FWD by April 20, 2016
- Awards to FWD Judges by May 1, 2016
- Awards to National By June 1, 2016
- The National Office asks for 45 work days to process awards at the national level, so all other nominations should be sent to the division awards advisor at least 60 days before you need them.

**ISSUES and RESOLUTIONS:**

There is some discrepancy on the quality of award nominations – I will continue to work with the region advisors and award sponsors to increase the quality of nominations in a positive way.

FWD will need to replace several perpetual plaques in the next few years. Due to the cost of these plaques the awards budget will need to be increased.

Submit to: Secretary Janice Waits