

National Open Barefoot Team

Gordie Croteau



Hometown: Sudbury, ON
Date of Birth: December 10, 1966
Height: 5'4
Weight: 132 lbs
Coaches: Friends
Training Ctr.: Lake Havasu, AZ
Years on Team: 10
Events: Slalom, Trick, Jump
Sponsors: Bell Mobility, Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada, Scott Sanborn (Carpet Emporium)



	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Best Score	18.2	4410	20.1
2005 World Ranking	34	34	39

Athlete Profile

- Gordie enjoys competing at World Championships and is happy to have the opportunity to travel to countries such as Austria and Australia.
- According to Croteau, his greatest strength is his drive to ski everyday. "That's why I moved to Arizona—so I can ski 365 days a year!"
- Learned to barefoot in 1980. "A girl from Ottawa came to Sudbury and had her own ski school. "She taught me to ski for only three dollars a lesson."
- Says his parents are his greatest influence, "because they have supported me all these years and continue to help me out."
- Also enjoys hockey, running, cross-training and reading.
- In the future, Croteau hopes to compete at more World Championships and continue to ski as long as he can stay healthy.
- Gordie is known for his sense of humour. "I always have a joke on hand."
- Ran his first and last marathon (26.2 miles) in Las Vegas in 2005!



Notable Performances

- 2011 Canadian East West Challenge Overall Mens 3rd
- 2011 Canadian East West Challenge Trick Open Men 5th
- 2011 Canadian East West Challenge Slalom Open Men 4th
- 2011 Canadian National Championship Mens Open Jump 5th
- 2011 Canadian National Championship Mens Open Trick 8th
- 2011 Canadian National Championship Mens Open Slalom 2nd
- 2006 Senior World Barefoot Championships Slalom 1st
- 2005 Senior World Barefoot Championships 1st in Trick and 2nd Overall
- 2004 Canadian Barefoot Championships 1st in Slalom, Jump and Overall
- 2003 Senior World Barefoot Championships 2nd in Trick at the 3rd Overall
- 1997, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005 Canadian Open Men's National Champion
- 1997, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005 Member of the Canadian Team that competed at the Open World Championships
- 2003, 2005 and 2006 Senior World Barefoot Championships
- 5 time Canadian record holder
- 6 World Championship medals: 2 Gold, 2 Silver, 2 Bronze.

