Title: Accomplishments of our cross-country skiing at the Winter Olympic Games

Abstract:

This thesis is focus on history of Czech and Czechoslovak cross-country skiing at the Winter Olympic Games from the first competition at WOG Chamonix 1924 to Vancouver 2010.

Using the direct method and the method of content analysis it documents and summarizes the accomplishments of our cross-country representatives. It finds out that representatives of such a small country reached splendid results. But the available literature doesn't mention them as far as they didn't win a medal.

Very interesting is the comparison between two skiing generations using the interview with their representatives Kveta Jeriova and Katerina Neumannova. The resulting comparison between their answers reaches a conclusion: the first of them had much harder conditions and worse facilities. In spite of this fact, she proved to be successful but her career was shorter and the number of medals smaller.

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