

MOUNT ROYAL SKI CLUB OF MONTREAL

WHAT perhaps might be signalled out as the outstanding event during the 1926-27 reign of the Mount Royal Ski Club of Montreal was the inauguration of the twenty-two mile relay ski race, under the auspices of the Club, in the heart of the Laurentian Mountains, starting at St. Agathe and finishing at Mont Rolland. This cross-country relay run is staged purely for native born skiers as an incentive to "home brews" to take up the running part of ski-ing.

Four teams entered the competition, as follows: St. Agathe, Lake Archambault Outing Club, Mont Rolland and Mount Royal Ski Club, and a beautiful trophy was donated by the firm of J. R. Gaunt & Son, of Montreal, for annual competition. The runners representing the Mount Royal Club carried their colors to victory and will be the first ones to have their names inscribed on the Gaunt Trophy.

The "tri-color" club, as the Mount Royal Club is popularly known in Montreal, is now in its ninth year of existence, and during that time, if we may indulge in a bit of egoism, has done its share in the foundation and promotion work in bringing the fine art of ski-ing to its present high state of popularity in the Province of Quebec. In recent years the famous Laurentian Mountains has been the "hub" of activities of the Club, and for the past four seasons has staged its Club Championship events in either Mont Rolland or Ivry. There is no better spot in the whole Province of Quebec for the genuine skier to revel in all his, or her, glory than in the great open spaces among the range of mountains some forty miles north of Montreal, and it must be said that the members of the Club are not lax in realizing this.

The Champlain Provencher Trophy, emblematic of the Senior All-round Championship of the Club, was won in 1926-27 by Thomas Wall, Jr., and Norman Farrell finished well ahead of the junior skiers and won outright the Henry Heckman Trophy.

An entry list of sixteen runners greeted the starter in the Club's annual college and schoolboys' two-mile cross-country race, held, as usual, over the Mount Royal course in Montreal. Herbert Brabander won the honors in the junior class, while Leonard Sayer came first in the juvenile grade.

JUNIOR CLASS				TIME
1st.	Herbert Brabander	-	Mount Royal Ski Club - - -	14.00
2nd	Norman Farrell	-	Mount Royal Ski Club - - -	15.00
3rd	R. J. Provost	-	Levesque Academy - - -	15.30
JUVENILE CLASS				
1st	Leonard Sayer	-	Alfred Joyce School - - -	17.00
2nd	J. Lyons	-	Alfred Joyce School - - -	18.00
3rd	O. Lefebvre	-	Lachine Academy - - -	18.35

Results of the Annual Club Championship cross-country and jumping events, held at Mont Rolland, in the Laurentians, on March 18, 1927, follow:

CROSS-COUNTRY RACE				TIME
1st	Thomas Wall, Jr.	-	- - - - -	36.00
2nd	Norman Farrell	-	- - - - -	36.30
3rd	H. McCrudden	-	- - - - -	41.30
4th	L. Carter	-	- - - - -	44.30
5th	Geo. Layton	-	- - - - -	52.15
6th	Armand Dore	-	- - - - -	52.16

SKI JUMPING

1st, Norman Farrell; 2nd, Thomas Wall, Jr.; 3rd, Geo. Layton; 4th, H. McCrudden; 5th, L. Carter; 6th, Rene Dore; 7th, R. Rosseau.

The 1927 slate of officers are: *President and Treasurer*, Champlain Provencher; *Vice-President and English Secretary*, Laurence Sessenwein; *French Secretary*, Claude Beaubien; *Directors*, Champlain Provencher, Joseph Beaubien, Jr., Henry Heckman, Lester Sayer, N. Farrell, L. Sessenwein, Claude Beaubien, Lucien McAvoy.