

MINUTES OF THE NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CANADIAN AMATEUR SKI ASSOCIATION

Present: Mr. H. P. Douglas, President, in the chair; Mr. T. J. Gillians, acted as Secretary-Treasurer; and the following duly accredited representatives: *Cliffside Ski Club*, Mr. D. P. Kirby and Mr. G. H. Beresford; *Quebec Ski Club*, Mr. W. A. Goodday and Major H. Blondeau; *Ottawa Ski Club*, Mr. J. A. Wilson and Mr. S. R. Lockerby; *Three Rivers Ski Club*, Mr. G. Sundt and Mr. W. R. Koren; *Montreal Ski Club*, Mr. Gordon W. Dunn and Mr. A. Grant; *Toronto Ski Club*, Mr. A. H. MacLaren and Mr. H. R. Cliff; *Mount Royal Ski Club*, Mr. L. Sessenwein and Mr. C. Provencher; *Western Ski Clubs*, not represented; *Technical Ski Board*, Mr. C. Tollefsen and Mr. S. R. Lockeberg. There were also present: Mr. C. Loken, Mr. G. F. Garrioch, Mr. H. S. Johannsen, Mr. Walter Lovell, Mr. E. St. Pierre, Mr. C. H. Moore and Mr. W. J. Morrison of the "Gazette."

GENERAL BUSINESS

The President called the Meeting to order at 10.30 a.m. in the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, and extended a cordial welcome to all delegates and visitors, particularly to Mr. Morrison of the "Gazette." The Secretary read the notice calling the Meeting. The Minutes of the Eighth Annual Meeting were confirmed without being read. The Financial Report of the Association as at October 31, 1928, was approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President reviewed the work of the Association for the year and reported that everything is going along in the usual orderly manner, and that no particular matters of importance had come before the Executive for decision. He commented particularly on the very satisfactory situation in the West and paid tribute to Mr. Rudolph J. Verne, Vice-President, and his associates for the manner in which the Western Branch of the Association is being conducted, and it was proposed and seconded that a letter expressing the approval of the Meeting be sent to Mr. Verne. The President concluded his report by expressing his thanks to the Executive of the Association for their support during the year.

WESTERN BRANCH

The President read from the By-Laws of the Western Branch of the Association and explained that while the annual dues of the Western Clubs were \$15.00, yet they were remitting only \$7.00 to the Eastern Association, the balance being used for the support of their Western Branch. He also stated that the question of the voting rights of the Western Clubs had been raised in a letter dated February 16 from Mr. Gordon Billingsley, Secretary-Treasurer. After a general discussion, it was moved by Mr. Gordon W. Dunn, and seconded, that in future the Clubs constituting the Western Branch of the Association will pay to the Treasurer of the Canadian Amateur Ski Association the full dues of \$15.00, but immediately there will be returned to them \$10.00, the parent Association retaining only \$5.00. This will place all Clubs on an equal basis, and the voting rights of the Western Branch Clubs will be the same as those of the Eastern Clubs. The President reported that he held the voting proxies of the Western Clubs, as per letter from Secretary Billingsley dated February 16, 1929, and as provided for under Section 10 of the By-Laws.

RESIGNATIONS

The Secretary announced that the Sherbrooke Ski Club, of Sherbrooke, Quebec, and The Loyola Ski Club of Quebec City, Quebec, were no longer

members of the Canadian Amateur Ski Association, and the Meeting accepted their resignations from the Association with regret.

NEW MEMBERS

The Revelstoke Ski Club of Revelstoke, B.C. and the Grouse Mountain Ski Club of Vancouver, B.C., were approved for membership in the Western Branch, and cordially welcomed into the Association.

The application of the Appelachian Ski Club was favourably considered and it was decided to admit them at once to full membership in the Association, the same to be officially confirmed at the next Annual Meeting.

MR. A. C. HARLOW

The President expressed the sincere regrets of himself and of the Association at the very untimely death of Mr. Arthur C. Harlow, who for many years had exercised such a splendid influence on the sport of ski-ing and who had always taken such a great personal interest in the work of the Association.

TECHNICAL SKI BOARD

Mr. Chr. Tollefsen, Chairman of the Technical Ski Board, presented their report, dated February 20, 1929, which is made part of these Minutes. The advisability of adopting the metric system was fully discussed, and it was decided that for the present no change would be made.

C.A.S.A. TESTS

The President brought up the question of the lack of interest being shown in the official ski tests. After considerable discussion it was decided that the tests were most desirable, that they should be continued and that every Club this coming year should appoint a special committee to encourage these tests as much as possible. The President reported that attractive badges had been prepared and that the Association had done everything possible to promote an interest in these tests, but that their success or failure was now entirely up to the individual clubs.

CLAIM FOR RECORD JUMP

The President submitted documents from the Revelstoke Ski Club, relating to the amateur record of 240 feet made by Nels Nelsen on the Revelstoke hill. These were submitted to the Technical Board who were requested to act on the same and advise the President of the findings.

AMATEUR RE-INSTATEMENT

Correspondence was read with Mr. C. L. Every of Montreal regarding his amateur standing, and his re-instatement, as well as the action of the President in allowing him to compete during the current year, was approved.

SKI ANNUAL

The question of continuing the Canadian Ski Annual was brought up and thoroughly discussed from every point of view and a letter was read from Mr. R. W. Lovell, publisher, showing a loss of \$500.00 on this year's Annual. Later on, Mr. Lovell arrived, and took part in the discussion. The President explained that a board of editors had been appointed, consisting of Mr. Rudolph J. Verne, Mr. H. T. Cliff, Mr. C. E. Mortureux and Mr. H. P. Douglas, and that they together would prepare and edit the material for next year's Annual. All Clubs were requested to present to each member of their Club, or to each member of a family, a copy of the Annual, the same to be purchased by the Club, and to co-operate in the securing of advertisements and circulation. The question of the Annual for the coming year was left in the hands of the President and his co-editors who will consult with Mr. R. W. Lovell and decide as to the make-up and other particulars of the Annual for next season.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of Officers was then taken up. The President explained that he had held office for the past nine years and was quite willing to resign in favour of anyone else. It was, however, moved by Mr. Gordon W. Dunn, seconded and approved, that the President be requested to remain in office completing his tenth year and that the present slate of officers, consisting of himself, Mr. Rudolph J. Verne and Mr. C. E. Mortureux, Vice-President, be re-elected, which was done by the Directors casting one ballot.

Mr. G. B. Arnaud was re-appointed Secretary-Treasurer for the forthcoming year on the same terms as before.

NEW BUSINESS

There was considerable discussion regarding the question of judges and the Meeting decided that immediate steps must be taken to insure additional qualified judges. The question of enlarging the Technical Board was also taken up.

It was moved by Mr. Gordon W. Dunn, and seconded, that Mr. Emery St. Pierre of the Montreal Ski Club be appointed a member of the Technical Board and also be approved as a qualified judge for the Association. Mr. H. T. Cliff was invited to score with the regular judges. The officials for the 1929 Tournament as appointed by the Montreal Ski Club were approved by the Directors; Messrs. Tollefsen, Lockeberg and Elliott, were appointed judges for the Tournament.

1929-1930 TOURNAMENTS

The question of the Tournament awards for the coming year was then discussed. A letter was read from the Secretary of the Western Branch of the Canadian Amateur Ski Association requesting that Banff be considered for the Annual Tournament. After discussion it was agreed that it would be best to award the Annual Tournament again to the East but later on the holding of the Tournament in the West would be favourably considered.

It was unanimously decided to award the Dominion Tournament for the forthcoming year to the Ottawa Ski Club to be held in Ottawa the last week-end of February, 1930. It was decided to award the Province of Quebec Annual Tournament to the Montreal Ski Club to be held in Montreal the third week-end of February. It was decided to award to the Three Rivers Ski Club the St. Maurice Valley Amateur Tournament to be held in Three Rivers the second week-end of February. The Province of Ontario Annual Tournament was not awarded.

There being no further business coming before the Association, the Meeting was adjourned.

G. B. ARNAUD, *Secretary.*

H. P. DOUGLAS, *President.*