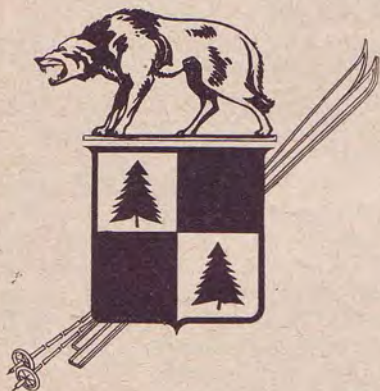


The officers for the year are:—*President*, A. R. Diefendorf; *Secretary*, C. A. Munson; *Financial-Secretary*, Wm. T. Gilbert; *Treasurer*, Emile Cochand; *Directors*, Michael Stone, Major C. G. Ommannay, Mrs. E. Richard, and officers.

To Dr. A. R. Diefendorf, the real organizer of the Laurentian Cross-Country Club, is due all credit for its success, and his enthusiasm and personal interest has been from the start the greatest factor in its progress.

TIMBER WOLVES' SKI CLUB

MURRAY BAY



THIS club, a newcomer to the C.A.S.A., was formed in February, 1930, by Captain A. H. D'Egville, one of the great British ski experts and author of "Modern Ski-ing," and well-known from his general writings and clever drawings. Stopping for a time at the Manoir Richelieu and greatly impressed with the wonderful ski-ing possibilities there, he proposed the founding of a ski club on the original lines of the world famous Kandahar Ski Club of Murren, Switzerland, founded by himself several years ago. The idea was warmly received by the group of ski enthusiasts stopping at the Manoir Richelieu, and the club came into being without delay, and should in future

years be a factor in popularizing and developing the sport on the lower St. Lawrence. Nowhere in Eastern Canada can be found a more perfect ski terrain, great bold cleared hills up to two thousand feet in height provide wonderful cross-country touring and downhill running, lovely trails through pine and hard wood bush, and exceptionally reliable snow conditions and a not too severe climate. A well designed jumping hill takes care of this end of the sport, and practice slopes are adjacent to the Manoir. When tired of ski-ing a two-mile bob sled run offers thrills without number, skating, hockey and curling rinks always in perfect condition, and indoors everything the heart and palate can desire. Membership in the club consists of the following classes:— Ordinary Members, Associate Members, Junior Members, Honorary Members.

(a) Ordinary Members.—Ordinary members, based on their ski proficiency, are divided into three grades—Timber Wolf, bronze badge; Leader, silver badge; Lone Wolf, gold badge.

No member will be admitted to or be allowed to wear a club badge of any grade until satisfactorily passing the official Club test leading up to that grade, as prescribed by the Technical Committee.

Any man or lady, properly proposed and seconded by ordinary members in good standing, and who has satisfactorily passed the Third Class qualifying test (bronze badge), is eligible for election as an ordinary member of the Club.

An Official Club record will be kept of all members qualifying, together with their grades of proficiency.

(b) Associate Members.—Any man or lady properly proposed and seconded by ordinary members in good standing and passed by the Directors is eligible for election as an associate member. Associate members have no vote and cannot hold office or serve on the Committee of the Club.

(c) Junior Members.—Any boy or girl, 17 years and under, properly proposed and seconded by ordinary members in good standing and passed by the Directors is eligible for election as a junior member of the Club. A junior member has no vote.

(d) Honorary Members.—Honorary membership may be conferred upon any person for life, or for a limited period by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any General or Special-General meeting of the Club, and such honorary member can enjoy all the rights and privileges of the Club.

The Officers and Directors of the Club are as follows:—*President*, J. A. Hodgson; *First Vice-President*, H. Smith Johannsen; *Second Vice-President*, H. T. Cliff; *Honorary Secretary*, Emery St. Pierre; *Honorary Treasurer*, Allan G. Tiffin; *Directors*, H. P. Douglas, Gordon Dunn, Hugh B. Jaques, S. Stirling Maxwell, W. B. Thompson, A. Lyle Williams, N. M. Yuile.

APPALACHIAN MOUNTAIN CLUB

By ARTHUR C. COMEY

OF THE five thousand members of the Appalachian Mountain Club several hundred have actively taken up ski-ing and the number is increasing rapidly each year. The Club promotes cross-country ski-ing of the non-competitive sort, in sharp distinction to most of the American ski-ing clubs, which support racing and jumping, often almost to the exclusion of all other forms of ski-ing. Ski-ing has come into the Appalachian Mountain Club's program naturally as another delightful form of outdoor life and the enjoyment of nature at one of her best seasons. Skill is as useful here as in competitions, and, therefore, the Club runs weekly trips both to nearby golf courses, for practice, and to the more distant hill and mountain country. Under its aegis many hitherto untracked New England summits have been explored and visited repeatedly, including some of the highest peaks of north-eastern America: Mount Washington, 6,287 feet, Mount Moosilauke, 4,800 feet—these two long the stamping ground of the skiers of the Dartmouth Outing Club—and also Mount Chocorua, 3,475 feet and Katahdin, 5,268 feet, these two ascended by skis to the summit for the first time by Club members. An account of the Club's "moving base" ski trip through the Laurentians in 1930 will be found on another page of this Annual.

In addition to numerous articles on cross-country and mountain skiing in its illustrated magazine, "Appalachia," the Club has published a Manual on Cross-Country Ski-ing Equipment for Beginners. Its Equipment Committee has developed a ski-binding suitable for use with Barker and other soft boots, and also locates and lists shops where all the ski-ing specialties may be purchased.

At Pinkham Notch, N.H., the Club maintains a large cabin with service by "hut men" for the accommodation of skiers and other winter enthusiasts who visit the White Mountains Presidential Range. As the state road past this point is now kept ploughed, nearly every winter week-end finds one or more parties using the cabin as a base.

Nearer Boston, the Club has improved a 20-mile ridge route for ski-ing—the Wapack Trail, running over numerous low summits, the highest 2,280 feet high, but affording the sportiest of two-day trips. At its south and north ends, Mount Watatic in Massachusetts and North Pack Monadnock in southern New Hampshire afford the most open long slopes, the latter comprising a 1,100 foot drop capable of being taken in a single swoop whenever the snow lies deep over the pasture bushes. A fifteen foot swath cut down through these on a grade in places as steep as 15 degrees will thrill the most expert in the Arlberg turns, particularly when the snowfall is light.

Ski-ing holds a prominent place in the Club's extensive lecture series, including not only accounts of contemporary trips but also showings of the famous foreign motion films and a "dry ski-ing" course at the beginning of each season, followed by instruction on the snow. Thus many angles of the ski-ing sport are covered by the Club's program.