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Never before in the history of North America has such interest been shown in amateur winter sports as is now being manifest at the approach of the 1932 Olympics.

Lying as it does so close to Lake Placid, Montreal will undoubtedly see many of the competitors both before and after the games, when it is hoped they will avail themselves of the opportunity to sample our Canadian ski-ing.

From the point of view of position, Montreal is unique in being the only place on the continent where good ski-ing can actually be enjoyed in the heart of a great city. Mount Royal, Outremont and Westmount, at the feet of which are clustered the homes of some million people, have on their sides approximately four square miles of woods and parks: Rome has its seven hills, we have our three, and it is these which form the nucleus of Montreal Ski-ing.

But it is the possibilities of the Laurentians which offer the greatest appeal to the ski-minded Montrealer, where, within an hour and a half of the city, "up North" begins and one finds all kinds of ski-ing for all kinds of tastes. With regard to the cleared land and open slopes, the country resembles the region around and above the timber line in higher districts, where wide expanses demand skill in turning and proper management on long runs, while the densely-wooded sections give plenty of practice to the "bushwhacker." In other words, we have here a situation where ski-ing is essentially Canadian. Many localities boast of either the one type or the other, but few can combine the two to better advantage than does our own North Country.

We have at Shawbridge and St. Sauveur long open hills, close to Montreal Ski Club's "Mountain Lodge," where free instruction is given in the fundamental principles of ski-ing. The beginner has here a wonderful opportunity to learn his Stem, Christiania, Telemark and Jump Turns and to apply these to actual ski-ing conditions. A number of small improvised "Field Jumps" are available on these hills. No practice improves a skier's balance as much as trying to take these small jumps without poles, in proper form and with the right landing. We are trying to teach our members to use their ski and poles properly on Flat Ground, Up-Hill and Down-Hill. The uphill technique is important, because we have no Funiculars, as in Switzerland, to take the skiers uphill.

The Montreal Ski Club is trying to develop all-round skiers, and no undue emphasis is laid on specializing, either in jumping or in racing, except for a man who wishes to take part in the competitions.

Our Slalom Races in the Big Hills at Shawbridge and St. Sauveur

are very popular, and we expect this winter to run a down-hill race from the top of Mount Tremblant to the lake, a drop in altitude of about 2,000 feet. We had last year a down-hill race for schoolboys, at Cote des Neiges, in which nearly 100 boys took part.

We are very proud of our boys and girls, who won honours in the various competitions last year, and we are grateful to all those who helped to arrange these events.

A number of our enthusiastic members have kindly given a great deal of their time in making improvements on our Mountain Lodge at Shawbridge and in putting into shape and improving the ski-jump at Cote des Neiges.

We are, therefore, looking forward to a very successful season.

H. SMITH JOHANNSEN.

Lucerne-in-Quebec Jumping Competition, Jan. 17th, 1931.

- 1 A. Finsberg, M.S.C.
- 2 H. Bagguley, O.S.C.
- 3 J. Tache, O.S.C.

Open Cross-Country Race, St. Margarets to Shawbridge. Feb. 1st, 1931.

- 1 H. Pangman, Red Birds S.C.
- 2 A. Duchesneau, Laur. S.C.
- 3 C. Jost, Red Birds S.C.

Montreal Ski Club Jumping Championship, Cotes Des Neiges, Jan. 31st, 1931.

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| Class "A" | Class "B" |
| 1 A. Olsen. | 1 T. Bradbury. |
| 2 R. Sommerfelt. | 2 H. R. Morin. |
| 3 W. Ball. | 3 J. Miller. |

Ladies' Race, Cotes Des Neiges Feb. 7th, 1931.

- 1 Alice Johannsen.
- 2 Peggy Chapman.
- 3 Alma Howard.

Quebec Championships at Lucerne-in-Quebec, Feb. 14-15, 1931

Jumping

- 1 L. Lehan, M.S.C.
- 2 J. Landry, O.S.C.
- 3 K. Evensen, T.S.C.

Cross-Country Race

- 1 E. Pentilla, M.S.C.
- 2 J. Landry, O.S.C.
- 3 H. Heggteveit, O.S.C.

Combined Jumping & Racing.

- 1 P. Wright, C.S.C.
- 2 W. Clark, O.S.C.
- 3 K. Evensen, T.S.C.

Slalom Race

- 1 E. Pentilla, M.S.C.
- 2 W. Clark, O.S.C.
- 3 G. Sumner, M.S.C.

Seignory Championships at Lucerne-in-Quebec, March 7-8, 1931

Jumping

- 1 J. Landry, O.S.C.
- 2 A. Gravel, M.S.C.
- 3 R. Vincent, O.S.C.

50 Kilometre Race

- 1 E. Pentilla, M.S.C.
- 2 H. Douglas, O.S.C.
- 3 H. Pangman, M.S.C.

Slalom

- 1 G. Sumner, M.S.C.
- 2 E. Pentilla, M.S.C.
- 3 H. Pangman, M.S.C.

Red Birds Ski Club Field Events at St. Sauveur, March 15, 1931

Downhill Race

- 1 W. B. Thompson.
- 2 G. Sumner.
- 3 A. Gravel.

Slalom

- 1 P. Reynolds.
- 2 J. Houghton.
- 3 A. Tiffin.

Obstacle Race

- 1 W. B. Thompson.
- 2 H. Pangman.
- 3 S. Maxwell.