

ST. MAURICE VALLEY ZONE

Grand'Mere Ski Club

THE GRAND'MERE SKI CLUB held its annual meeting at the Community Rooms, on May 30, at 8 p.m., the President, José Lefebvre occupying the chair. Prizes were presented and refreshments served, following which reports were received. Harry Wardle reported for the entertainment committee, and expressed appreciation to those who helped make a success of the various dances and the concert. Carlton Wright, competition committee chairman, gave a resumé of the various events held during the past season. Leslie Jomini, secretary-treasurer, revealed the financial condition of the club, which was good. On behalf of the club, chairman of the entertainment committee, Harry Wardle, thanked the lady president, Miss G. Desbiens, Miss R. Lemay, and Miss Beaulieu for their kind assistance and co-operation during the season. A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Hamel for her culinary services. President José Lefebvre congratulated the juniors for their fine showing during the season, and expressed his hope that their number would be substantially increased. Dancing and other amusements concluded the evening.

The season of 1934-35 saw the commencement of junior classes which functioned extremely well. The club created local and out-of-town interest by holding several dances and a stage show which proved to be profitable and a spectacular success.

Very important to the club was the fact that it joined the St. Maurice Valley Ski Zone, and offered members

participation in the various valley competitions. We also joined the Canadian Amateur Ski Association during the season of 1934-35, and feel very proud of it. To further enhance the prospects of a successful coming season, we have already had plans drawn for a new ski jump, on which a fair jumper should do over 120 feet. We hope also to stage a provincial championship meet within the next two or three years. Altogether we had 84 senior and 25 junior members.

Officers for the year 1934-35:—Leslie Jomini, *President*; José Lefebvre, *1st Vice-President*; Harry Wardle, *2nd Vice-President*; Teddy Hanna, *Secretary*; Jules Marcotte, *Treasurer*.

Ladies Section:—Rachel Lemay, *President*; Germaine Desbiens, *Vice-President*; Mr. and Mrs. H. Valiquette, *Honorary Presidents*.

Trois-Rivieres Ski Club

THE SKI-ING SEASON of 1934-35, though short, was the most active and enjoyable the club experienced since its formation eleven years ago for which the Dominion Championship held here the previous winter was partly responsible. It had created new enthusiasm and interest among members and the general public. Another helpful factor was the new clubhouse built mainly by members in their spare time and completed just before the first snowfall. Larger and more comfortable than our old camp it not only permitted a larger membership but made possible many social events which lack of space and facilities had hitherto precluded. In addition to these home activities, several excursions were made to Quebec, Shawinigan and Grand'Mere where we were royally entertained by the respective clubs.

The St. Maurice Valley Championship held here, February 2 and 3, was our main competition. There were 22 entries for the race and 31 for the jumping. Though a large number of posts had been put on the trail, it was unfortunate that four runners lost their way due to one of the posts misunderstanding instructions and failing to be at his position at the required time. Six others dropped out due to broken harness, wrong wax, injuries, etc. The going was very hard due to mild weather conditions and the winner, K. M. Lavoie of the Quebec Athletic Ski Club, deserves great credit for his performance. Young Chris. Mamen, Montreal Ski Club, was second with Duncan Breese a close third.

In the jumping competition Jacques Landry, Ottawa Ski Club, cinched first place with jumps of 121 and 120 feet with a total of 147.9 points. J. Riddell, Montreal Ski Club, was second with 146.5 points and Stanley Dufresne, Three Rivers Ski Club, third with 145.0 points closely followed by Punch Bott, Montreal Ski Club, with 144.6 points. Others finished in the order named. A. Almon, Montreal Ski Club, C. Skavaas, Toronto Ski Club, Ted Hogan, Montreal Ski Club, H. Bagguley, Ottawa Ski Club, G. Schreiber, Quebec Ski Club. The longest jump in the competition, 124 feet, was made by Stanley Dufresne. Howard Bagguley of Ottawa took combined honors by placing fourth in the race and eighth in the jumping.


Results of the Club's Championship competitions were as follows:—Class A, Racing—First, Bill Molesworth, 1.19.45; second, Duncan Breese, 1.20.00; third, Matt Donnelly, 1.24.52. Jumping—First, Stanley Dufresne, 74.4 points; second, W. Massicotte, 70.4 points; third A. Tessier, 68.0 points. Slalom—First, Bill Molesworth; second, Duncan Breese, third Harold Blondeau. Elmer McCulloch won the Class B Race, and R. Paquin the jumping event.

Our Club was represented in competitions at Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, Quebec, Shawbridge, Shawinigan and Grand'Mere, and our boys, though young, generally gave a very good account of themselves. Our lady skiers took more interest than usual in competitive ski-ing and several did quite well in the slalom. Miss Renée Dufresne of our Club took first honors in the Ladies' Slalom held in competition with Grand'Mere Ski Club on their Field Day.

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Duncan Breese and Matt Donnelly and kept enthusiasm at a high-pitch throughout the season.

The following were elected in April to the Executive Committee:—Harry Olsen, *President*; Frank Spénard, *Vice-President*; Paul Desilets, *Secretary*; Jean-M. Lamontagne, *Treasurer*; Duncan Breese, Raymond Pomerleau, Maurice Duval, Jean-Jacques Lajoie, Maurice Pinard, *Directors*.

The coming season should prove even better than the last one. Several improvements are being made to our clubhouse. A 25-metre training jump is being built and several new trails will be cleared. Our major event will again be the St. Maurice Valley Championship and members of all clubs are cordially invited to participate.

Shawinigan Falls Country Club

THE Ski Division of the Shawinigan Falls Country Club came into being at a meeting held on October 15, 1934, when ski enthusiasts of the Shawinigan Ski Club asked to be taken over by the Country Club with the view to leasing ground, building a chalet and a jump.

The dream of Shawinigan skiers to have a little grey home in the west, where one could stand with one's back to the stove and get warm hearted, came true by the end of November. By the assistance of many skiers the chalet was erected at low cost and now stands gleaming in the sunlight, finished in the modern motif of aluminum with black trimmings.

On all points of the compass the topography of surrounding terrain lends itself superbly to the most daring and versatile as well as to beginners.

This can be vouched for by the skiers who took part in the Dominion cross-country race of 1933-34 under the auspices of the Three Rivers Ski Club. The superlatives used by the contestants in describing the trails were such as would make Hollywood sit up and take notice.

Last winter a take-off and jump was built close to the chalet and distances up to 108 feet were obtained.

The membership committee, despite bad skiing weather, were able to recruit 82 members, and by various social activities were able to supplement the membership revenue so that a good portion of the chalet was paid off. The Club, therefore, is looking forward to a bigger season this year with the view to paying off the remainder. When this is done, work will be started to erect a tower which will eliminate the hard work of levelling the take-off with snow.

The erection of the Chalet resulted in many of the younger element becoming ski conscious; hence the rise in price of second hand barrels due to the demand for staves. These youngsters are the potential champions of tomorrow and it won't be long, with the help of the local club and the C.A.S.A. before they graduate from the three point landing stage to carry the banner of the Shawinigan Ski Division of the Country Club.

The gentlemen who will guide the activities for 1935-36 season are as follows:—*Honorary President*, R. A. Witherpoon; *President*, C. N. Crutchfield; *Vice-President*, J. P. Walsh; *Secretary-Treasurer*, A. Taylor; *Directors*, J. U. Courteau, L. Page, S. Lambert, M. Weber, C. Lambert, R. Racette.

LAURENTIAN ZONE CLUBS

Laurentian Cross-Country Ski Club

THE 1934-35 skiing season with its amply snow gave our club members good skiing, particularly after the middle of February. The outstanding event was the Flying Kilometre Race on March 3. It was hoped that the raising of the tower for the start would result in faster time but, unfortunately, the race was run under unsatisfactory snow conditions and against a terrific wind. The winner was B. Trower, 53.36 miles per hour, breaking his own record of the previous year, 52.96; second, Louis Mongeau, 46.70, and third, S. Cousineau, 45.74. The club went to considerable expense to secure from the Seigneurie Club an electric timer which was most satisfactory and proved that this is the only way of securing accurate high speed recording. The judges were James O'Donnell, James Littlejohn and George Senecal; Timer, Mr. Stewart, Seigneurie Club.

The competitions allocated to our Club by the Laurentian Zone Committee, were the jump and slalom run on February 9 and 10. The slalom was run on the Speed-Way Hill. Official results follow:—

CLASS I.—J. R. Houghton, McGill, 29 2-5 sec.; H. Pangman, Red Birds, 29 2-5 sec.; J. Baldwin, St. Margaret's, 29 3-5 sec.; W. D. Taylor, Red Birds, 31 sec.; J. S. Houghton, McGill, 31 3-5 sec.; W. Ball, Red Birds, 35 sec.

CLASS II.—G. Moore, M.S.C., 27 1-5 sec.; G. Gillespie, Ste. Agathe, 34 2-5 sec.; L. Cochand, L.C.C.S.C., 37 2-5 sec.

CLASS III.—V. Cousineau, L.C.C., 27 sec.; J. Carnegie, St. Margaret's, 30 2-5 sec.; H. Findlay, M.S.C., 32 4-5 sec.

The judges were E. St. Pierre and E. Cochand; starter, B. Carnegie. The jumping, held unofficially, was won by Maurice Gagné, first class; Louis Cochand, second class. The judges E. St. Pierre and H. S. Johannsen.

The Club sponsored the cross-country, slalom and downhill races of the Ste. Marguerite Junior Ski Club of the Laurentian Village Boys Ski League. The competition, held March 2 with fourteen entries, evoked great enthusiasm. The cross-country was won by Maurice Goyer, Slalom, Lucien Racette; Downhill, Maurice Longtin.

The Junior competitions of our Club took place February 23 with ten competitors. The downhill race was won by James Gilbert, second Emile Cochand, Jr., third Lucien Mattee. Slalom, Emile Cochand, Jr. was first, Lucien Mattee, second and Pierre Cochand, third.

V. Cousineau of our Club won first place in the Laurentian Zone third class slalom in 27 seconds, which was two-fifths of a second faster than both Houghton of McGill and Pangman of the Red Birds, who tied for first place in Class I.

Louis Cochand took part in both the Provincial and Dominion Championship Jumps, making two fine jumps of 118 feet each.

So much other work had been planned for last year that it was impossible to build the junior jump. Plans for

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