

this jump on the slope of Mont Cochand are going forward and we hope it will be completed by early winter.

In view of the fact that no major competitions of the Laurentian Zone will be held at Ste. Marguerite this coming year, we are planning to concentrate on our own Field Day which will be held in connection with a Ski-ing Carnival.

Two new trails are being cut this season, the Jean Gilbert Trail and a continuation of the Stone Trail. Our next most important objective will be the fostering of better ski-ing among the local village boys. Already we are finding much promising material in their local club and it is our purpose to give them every opportunity to make use of our jump, downhill and slalom runs. Our professional, Mr. James Littlejohn, formerly of the Lake Placid Club, was with us again and proved most inspiring and helpful.

We shall continue to make every effort to attract competitive skiers to our runs and trails, but the backbone of our membership is the average middle-aged cross-country skier, who above everything else enjoys comfortable trails, with now and then a thriller and some long open slopes for rapid running.

The present officers are:—*President*, Dr. A. R. Diefendorf; *Secretary*, Mr. Clarence Munson; *Financial Secretary*, Mr. William Gilbert; *Treasurer*, Mr. Emile Cochand; *Directors*, J. H. Beaton, Jack Bourgault, Conrad Goddard, Mme. E. Richard, Carl Taylor, Dr. Ernest Sharron, George Senecal, James O'Donnell, Mrs. Elizabeth DuPont, H. H. Pike, Jr.

### Montreal Ski Club

THE ski season of 1934-35 proved to be a successful one for the Montreal Ski Club. We had the honour of conducting the Dominion Championships which are fully described elsewhere. I would like to mention the fine

co-operation of the Laurentian Zone Committee and the C.A.S.A. officials, which was a great help. The Club was fortunate in getting a new tower through the generosity of the Imperial Tobacco Company, for this Jack Rudel's tireless efforts were greatly responsible, while Alex Olesn designed and supervised its construction. The new "Turret" tower has proved a wonderful success and jumps of over 150 feet have been made under favourable conditions.

The Club was well represented in many competitions in this section of the country. At the Seignior Club four of our members "Punch" Bott, Alain Almon, Edgar Wurtele and Jimmy Riddell won the Inter-City Championships with a margin of nearly 40% over the runners-up. It might be noted here that Edgar has since joined the Royal Air Force. "Happy Landings Ed."

In the St. Maurice Valley jumping at Three Rivers, Jimmy Riddell made the best showing from this Club, coming second. Bott and Almon placing fourth and fifth. Chris. Mamen, a new man in open competitions, took second place in the race and also in the combined, which augurs well for the future.

We sent two men to Rumford, Maine, for the Eastern U.S. Amateur Open. "Punch" Bott came fourth and had the second longest jump of the day. He was closely followed by Alain Almon in seventh place. Both were ahead of Omen, who shortly afterwards won the Canadian Open in Montreal.

The Quebec championships at Shawbridge were unlucky for us as Jimmy Riddell broke his collarbone and wrist while Hugh Garland took a piece off his elbow. However, Bott came through to tie the longest jump (159 feet) with Jacques Landry of Ottawa. Bott showed up again to win the Club jumping followed by Riddell second and Wurtele, third.

We held the competition for the George Washington's Birthday Challenge Trophy on the day before the Dominion jump. We were fortunate in weather and a great many out of town men competed. It was a splendid event. Bott came first with jumps of 141 and 144 feet, followed by Wurtele and Landry.

Schoolboy events were held late in the season owing to bad breaks in the weather. Westmount High took the honours as usual winning the Senior Relay with Christie, Tirrell, Frazee and Ritchie on the team. The Junior Relay was won by Lower Canada College with Robinson, Atcheson, Teller and Neale. The Downhill was taken by Chris. Mamen in "A" class and K. Olsen in "B" class. D. Tirrell won the cross-country, G. Mamen coming first in "B" class. Among the schools competing were Montreal, Westmount and Lachine High Schools, Lower Canada College and St. Leo's Academy.

The Mount Royal Race run at the same time as the schoolboy events was won by Laurie Tulku of the Vikings, with Bill Ball, second, and S. Andersen, third.

The City of Montreal Open Jumping on January 19 was won by Norman Gagne with Bott and Almon in second and third places respectively.

Our lady competitors, too, made a good showing wherever they went. In Ottawa the Misses E. and P. McKenna, A. Macfarland and E. Benning, captured the first three places in the Downhill and the first four places in the Slalom. Again in the Penguins' meet at St. Sauveur, our ladies were well to the fore.

In all, our club organized ten or more events, with two, if not three classes in each, paying special attention to the schoolboys and juniors.

In addition to following the local competitions, such as the Ski-To, Laurentian Zone Championships, St. Jovite Open, Red Birds Field Day and the Seignior events, we had men in the Toronto International and the Ontario Championships.

Following the Dominion Championships, competitors and officials returned to our Cote des Neiges Clubhouse for a banquet. There was a great display of trophies, perhaps the finest ever put up in Montreal. Thanks to our many friends in the city. Speeches, a good dinner, and what-not supplied the entertainment and hatchets were buried until next year.

The Club maintained two lodges at St. Margarets, one for ladies and the other for men. Although not a paying



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proposition, owing to lack of use at the beginning of the season, it was money well spent and we hope next year to operate up north again. Fred Lameroux did most of the work and worrying, thank goodness.

We hardly had time for social activities. Everyone was willing, but the season all too short. When our members were not working on some competition, either before or after, they generally wanted to ski.

### *The McGill University Ski Club*

THE first year of the McGill Ski Club's affiliation with the C.A.S.A. was unusually successful. A larger number of students than ever before enrolled, and under the able coaching of Bill Thompson, a fine team entered intercollegiate competition.

In March, McGill was host to several Canadian and American colleges for the annual inter-collegiate meet of the I.C.S.U. The meet was held at St. Sauveur under the auspices of the Red Birds Ski Club, who ran the meet in excellent fashion. The meet consisted of slalom, downhill, cross-country, jumping and combined events, and a four-man relay race. Dartmouth College captured the title, with the McGill team a close second. The outstanding McGill men were Jack Houghton, veteran star, who won the downhill race, and placed third in the slalom, and Bill Tait, who was third in the cross-country, and fourth in the slalom.

At the annual college week at Lake Placid, McGill was represented by a six-man team. The team again came a close second to Dartmouth College. Five McGill men also invaded the carnival meet at Dartmouth in February, where they distinguished themselves by winning an eight-

mile relay race, beating thirteen American colleges. The team placed second as a whole, with the University of New Hampshire in the lead.

Several McGill men placed well up in the various competitions held throughout the Laurentian Zone. Jack Houghton captured the combined downhill and slalom prize at the Red Birds field day, and also came second at the St. Jovite Ski Club meet. Jim Houghton was second in the Quebec Kandahar combined, and Bill Tait placed well up in both the Dominion and Provincial races.

We are greatly indebted to the Red Birds Ski Club for their great kindness in running the intercollegiate meet. In our minds it was the most successfully handled meet of the season, and all the credit is due to those Red Birds who so generously volunteered to take full charge of the events. We are also grateful to them for their help in sending the team to Dartmouth.

We also wish to express our appreciation of the work done by Mr. W. B. "Bill" Thompson as coach of the team, and to Mr. Paul Knowlton, who aided by coaching the jumpers.

The Officers of the club are as follows:—*Honorary President*, Col. W. Bovey; *Honorary Vice-President*, Col. R. Starke; *President and Captain*, J. S. Houghton; *Manager*, R. L. Denton; *Secretary*, W. K. Sproule; *Assistant Manager*, R. G. Townsend; *Honorary Coach*, W. B. Thompson.

### *Mont Tremblant Ski Club*

THREE of our members were entered in the Kandahar, and from the showing that they made, we have hopes that we will do much better this coming season.

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