

through the cutting of trees, it is impossible to do any ski-ing at the first sign of spring.

Officers of the club for the past year were as follows:—*President*, Stew. Bruce; *Vice-President*, E. Charleson; *Treasurer*, Robert Watt; *Secretary*, Doris Clarke; *Lodge Directors*, Gordon Ross and Gordon Beresford; *Trail Committee*, Robert Delahay and Donald Beresford; *Ladies Committee*, Isobel Seaton and Molly Kirby; *Publicity*, Tom Turner.

Ottawa Ski Club

THE activities of the Ottawa Ski Club were, as usual, of three kinds:—(1) Cleaning of trails in the fall; (2) Educational work and propaganda; (3) Competitions.

As all our trails run through bush country, literally conquered from the bush, they have to be reclaimed almost every fall from the ever encroaching forest. It was not so bad when their maximum width was only about 15 feet, but now from 30 to 60 feet the annual cleaning has become quite a problem. The year 1934 was one of the worst in this respect. Terrific gales had blown a great number of trees across the trails; an unusually hot and dry summer had favoured the growth of shrubs. The Night Riders were unequal to the task; the weekends were too few, the days and nights not long enough to attend to sixty miles of trails and a special squad of machete and axe men had to be kept at work for nearly three weeks, under the supervision of George Brittain, the Chairman of the Trail Committee, at great expense to the Club. A few shrubs were still left standing when the snow came, but enough had been cleared to make the ski-ing safe.

Educational Activities.—The Ottawa Ski Club News, that most often quoted ski publication in both Americas, was published regularly every two weeks of the season, keeping the members informed on snow conditions, special trips, etc., endeavoring to raise the standard of ski-ing by technical articles, and publishing general ski news from all parts of the world. This was the fifteenth year of this publication. R. G. Lewis, an officer of the Club, gave weekly broadcasts on ski-ing, through the courtesy of the Canadian Radio Commission, and judging by the large number of requests for copies, these talks were highly appreciated. Articles were also supplied to the daily press from time to time.

Competitions.—From January 5 to March 1, weekly competitions, including short and long distance races, slalom races and downhill runs, as well as jumping competitions, were held near one or the other of the Club lodges, at Ironside, Rockcliffe and Camp Fortune. The number of competitors at every event varied from ten to forty.

Outstanding Events.—Among the outstanding events of the year were the inauguration of Sigurd's Jumping Hill at Camp Fortune, a marvellous natural hill, on which Sigurd Lockeberg, aided by the ski jumpers of the Club, had spent two years of unceasing labour, and which bids fair to rival the best hills in North America; a great deal remains to be done to make it perfect, but the results so far obtained amply justify the time and labour spent on this new jump. The Ontario Championships, where it was the pleasure and privilege of the Ottawa Ski Club to entertain visitors and competitors from all parts of Canada. A visit of a team of girls from the Montreal Ski Club, trained by that great skier Johannsen, and who showed it. It is to be hoped that such visits will become a regular feature in future years. The winning of the Championship Race of Canada by John Taylor, and the winning of the Laurentian 50-kilometre race by Bud Clark, of St. Patrick's, one of the Gatineau district clubs affiliated with the Ottawa Ski Club.

A list of the competitions held during the season, with the names of the winners is given here:—*First Preliminary Race*—John Taylor, John Veit, B. Heggtveit. *Second Preliminary Race*—John Veit, Fred Laflamme, John Taylor. *Senior Club Championship Race*—Fred Laflamme, John Veit, Brian Burke, J. Taylor, H. Douglas. *Junior Club Championship Race*—B. Heggtveit, R. Hammond, W. Platt. *City Championship, Race and Jumping Events*—Race for Lady Willingdon's Trophy—John Taylor, John

Veit, Fred Laflamme. Jumping for Devonshire Trophy—W. Burke, W. Halverson, H. Bagguley, Cecil Clark, J. Landry. Longest Jump for Frank Bedard's Trophy, J. Landry. *Ontario Championship, Race, Slalom and Jumping Competitions*—Race—John P. Taylor, John Veit, Fred Laflamme, W. Clark, Brian Burke. Slalom—W. Ball (Red Birds), K. Baadsvik (Vikings), A. H. Pangman (Red Birds) J. P. Taylor, M. Putman (Toronto). Jumping—Billy Burke (St. Patrick's), J. Landry, K. Baadsvik (Vikings), N. Gagne (Montreal), J. Riddell (Montreal), L. Lafleur (Ottawa), E. Wurtele (Montreal), R. Vincent (Ottawa), T. Hogan (Montreal), W. Gauthier (Cliffside). Longest Standing Jump—K. Baadsvik, 137 feet. Combined Championship—W. "Bud" Clark (St. Patrick's). *Inter-scholastic Race for Southam Trophy*—Glebe Team, including R. Hammond, Bruce Heggtveit, Ken Mickleborough, Hal Creighton. *First Slalom Race*—Men—John Taylor, Billy Burke, John Cruikshank. Ladies—J. Larocque, K. Larocque, R. O'Halloran. *Second Slalom Race*—Men—W. "Bud" Clark, Ed. Ryan, John Taylor, Hubert Douglas, O. Boulay. Ladies—Freda Runge, Ruth O'Halloran. *First Downhill Race*—Men—Cecil Clark, Wiley Sharp, Fred Dixon, Geo. Silver, T. Farley, E. Ryan. Ladies—Ruth O'Halloran, J. Larocque, K. Larocque, Peggy Silver, Freda Runge, Betty Stevenson. *Second Downhill Race*—E. Ryan, Joe Oliver, R. McGiffin. *Inter-City Ladies Race*, Camp Fortune—Slalom—Phyllis McKenna (Montreal), Emma Benning (Montreal), Alice MacFarlane (Montreal), Evelyn McKenna (Montreal). Downhill—Emma Benning (Montreal), Evelyn McKenna (Montreal), Alice MacFarlane (Montreal), Freda Runge (Ottawa). *Jumping—Club Events*—*First Preliminary*, Sigurd's Hill—W. Halverson, J. Landry, E. Fillman, R. Vincent, H. Bagguley. *Second Preliminary*, Rockcliffe—W. Gauthier, E. Fillman, B. Wright, G. McMartin. *Open Novice Championship*—D. Hall, F. Dixon, D. Barber.

In outside competitions, Fred Laflamme came second in the race at the International Meet in Toronto, being 50 seconds behind the winner; Jack Landry carried off the ski jumping title of the St. Maurice Valley Championships, and of the Quebec Championships, while Howard Bagguley won the combined event at St. Maurice; Fred Taylor won the championship race of Canada on Beloeil Mountain.

We are still marking time as regards membership, but conditions are improving, the swing of the pendulum has been reached, and it is confidently expected that the season of 1935-36 will mark the beginning of another era of ski prosperity.

The officers of the Club are as follows:—*Directors*, Sigurd Lockeberg, Louis Grimes, Geo. Brittain, James Leslie, Ken Tupper, Jack Lucas, H. Douglas; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Herbert Marshall; *Vice-Presidents*, J. A. Wilson and Dr. A. Burton Wilkes; *President*, C. E. Mortureux.



Mr. T. Pott
on Ski-ing

"I am all for the outdoor life" said Mr. T. Pott as he buckled his ski harness. "Take ski-ing, for instance. It's simply ripping. Effortless gliding ease o'er the levels. Mad rushes down the hills. Blithe shouts of 'Track'. It puts one all of a tingle, aglow with health and good spirits as it were. But it also consumes a vast amount of energy. Which is why I always look forward to a good cup of tea at the end of the trail. It's the finest pick-up I know."



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