

by the offer of Mr. Ian Eisenhardt on behalf of the Provincial Government Department of Physical and Recreational Education, who offered to pay part of the cost of this work if the clubs on their respective mountains would pay any excess cost. The Zone co-operated in bringing the clubs together and in the selection of instructors. I understand sufficient funds were forthcoming from the department to pay all expenses, without having to resort to a levy from the clubs.

*Selection of Competitors, P.N.W.S.A. Tournaments:* Due to the large number of competitors available in Vancouver the old difficulty of making a fair and equitable selection for American Tournaments again cropped up and came in for considerable consideration at the beginning of the Season. The outcome of numerous discussions on this subject was the outlining of a system for selection of these competitors which, briefly, operated in this manner: A Committee of two were selected from the Zone Committee to work with the C.A.S.A. representative in Vancouver to whom invitations from the U.S.A. were sent. At a regular meeting of the Zone Committee each club's representatives were asked to name their available competitors, who were then ranked in the order of their ability, taking into consideration their past performances, present training condition, courses and jumps where events were to be held, etc. Thus all rankings were decided by open discussion, and favoritism was entirely eliminated. It then became the duty of the two members of the selection committee to contact the clubs and find out which competitors were available for the weekend of the tournament in question, to learn from the C.A.S.A. representative the number of competitors required, and it was then simply a matter of naming the team from the list of rankings. Once the team was named, entries were made by the selection committee through the C.A.S.A. representative, thus conforming to the arrangement between the C.A.S.A. and the P.N.W.S.A. whereby all entries, negotiations and payment of expense monies were to be made between Associations and not through individual clubs.

*Banff Excursion, Canadian Championships:*—One of the biggest problems faced by the Zone Committee during the past year was the making of arrangements for special railroad and hotel rates for skiers and spectators going to Banff for the Canadian Championships in March. Preliminary steps were taken over six months in advance of the tournament. It was found that rail rates of approximately one-third the regular fares could be obtained, but that it would be necessary to guarantee 100 fares and to pay for these before the actual rates could be published or any advertising of the excursion done. A special committee was formed, with myself as chairman, to organize this excursion. All local clubs were invited to be represented on the Committee, meetings were held regularly, the guarantee was deposited with the Canadian Pacific Railway partly from funds put up by the Vancouver clubs and the balance being kindly loaned by our Western Vice-President, Mr. Brewster. The excursion was successful, 149 persons taking advantage of the cheap rates. Snow conditions at Banff were none too good, but those fortunate enough to visit the high country ski lodges found ideal conditions. I believe that it would be an excellent plan to have an excursion such as this each winter. A trip to either Skoki or Sunshine Camps out of Banff would be an ideal one for next winter, and I have asked the Brewster Transport Company and the Canadian Pacific Railway to submit some suggestions.

*Conclusion:*—This, I believe, covers all the main features of the Zone's activities during the past season. It has been a busy season, and I feel we have accomplished much. What has been done during the year more than goes to prove the necessity of the Zone Committee to co-ordinate the efforts of the various clubs for the good of them all.

In conclusion, I wish to thank for their willing assistance all those with whom I have had the pleasure of working on this Zone Committee during the past year.

J. LINDSAY LOUTET, *Chairman.*

## *Association Sportive de Labelle*

L'ASSOCIATION SPORTIVE DE LABELLE fondée en 1935 dirige les Clubs d'amusements dans Labelle. Le but est le développement des sports, d'encourager notre jeunesse et lui donner l'occasion de se spécialiser dans quelque jeu que ce soit.

Le Club de Ski de Labelle termine la saison 1936-37 avec des améliorations notables à son crédit. Amélioration de la Piste "Guay" piste longue de 5 milles. Le défrichement et la finition de la Piste "Lac Labelle" longue de 4 milles. La construction d'un chemin d'hiver du village de Labelle au Lac Blanc nous donne la Piste Labelle Mont-Tremblant via les Lacs Blanc, Caribou, Vert et Lac Tremblant. Le Club de Ski a aussi construit un saut dans les limites du village de Labelle. Ces Pistes et saut seront indiqués sur les cartes que le chemin de fer Pacifique Canadien met à la disposition des skieurs.

Avec la fin de la saison le Club de Ski avait 25 membres Senior et 39 membres au dessous de 16 ans Intermédiaire et Junior.

Le Club de Ski a tenu 7 concours sur un total de 19 épreuves, chaque épreuve donnait droit à un prix pour encourager nos skieurs.

Des coupes pour la saison sur total des points furent distribuées et gagnées comme suit:—Section féminine, Melle. Gabrielle Bertrand; Senior, Monsieur Rolland Lecompte; Intermédiaire, Monsieur Raymond Ménard; Junior, Monsieur Guy Bertrand.

Le Club de Ski de Labelle est heureux de se joindre à la Canadian Amateur Ski Association, pour la saison 1937-38 et participer aux concours de la prochaine saison.

## *Blue Mountain Ski Club*

IT IS perhaps well to state at the outset that this organization was formerly known as the "Collingwood Ski Club." The new title was adopted, first, to suggest a closer and more picturesque identity with the Club's ski-ing country, and again to indicate a desire to extend the facilities of such to skiers over a wide area rather than those associated only with the town of Collingwood.

In common with fellow ski clubs throughout the southern part of Ontario we give the past winter due honour as a very close approach to the "perfect crime." The "raison d'être" need not be discussed.

However, the 1936-37 season brought an ample measure of accomplishment and satisfaction to members of the Blue Mountain Ski Club. They saw a potential but hitherto undeveloped ski-ing terrain converted into what is probably the best downhill country in the province—a transformation which took place largely at the suggestion of several officials of the Ontario Ski Zone Committee, under the qualified technical supervision of E. Fritz Loosli, and generously assisted by the town of Collingwood in the way of labour and material contributions.

They saw a second transformation, for out of a deserted but stoutly timbered log house grew a spacious ski cabin complete with fireplace, loft and kitchen. Again, they saw the dreaded Machine wedge into their sport, only to discover that the brain-child of the affiliated ski lift committee offered a pleasant alternative to much arduous climbing.

In part contributing to the success of these transformations, in part because of them, they saw initiated in December with Mr. Loosli's Dry Ski School Classes, and continued through succeeding months, a wave of enthusiasm which carried their numbers to well beyond the 200 mark. A gratifying feature of the membership list was its inclusion of not a few Toronto and Cedar Spring skiers. It is suspected that several of the visiting lady members thought the club's insignia—a double blue and red feather—a very attractive compliment to one's ski cap.

A highly enjoyable Christmas dance aided in sub-

stantially swelling the Club's financial coffer. No club publication was attempted during the past season, but members were kept posted through the columns of the local weekly paper, and by means of a centrally located bulletin board. Moving pictures from the library of the Ontario Zone provided an evening of skiing-education which aroused much interest and enthusiasm.

The active executive of the Blue Mountain Ski Club for the 1936-37 season was:—*President*, Jim Orr; *Vice-Presidents*, John Smart and Dr. D. Harvie; *Secretaries*, Miss Mary McCall and Gilford Leinster; *Treasurer*, Bud Trill; *Technical Adviser*, E. Fritz Loosli.

Blue Mountaineers envisage a winter of great activity fast upon them. They heartily invite members of fellow Canadian clubs to ski with them on the slopes overlooking beautiful Georgian Bay; to run the 700-foot descent of the "Kandahar" trail, to swoop down the mile-long "Sam," to test ski skill on the thrilling "Shuss," or to ride at ease the more sedate "Granny;" to return time and again for more punishment via the ski lift, and finally to join them in a steaming cup before the fireplace in the cabin.

### Club de Ski "Le Montagnard" Inc.

QUE POUVONS nous dire de la dernière saison, fût-elle bonne pour certain et mauvaise pour d'autres.

Que pensent messieurs les skieurs du ski nautique en plein hiver de 1936-37. Espérons donc pour cette année une température plus froide avec une belle neige poudreuse et abondante, n'y a-t-il rien de plus salubre pour remonter le moral d'un skieur. Il faut croire que c'est cela qui a manqué à notre équipe qui a jouié de malchance durant cette dernière saison.

Quelques-uns de nos meilleurs skieurs ne purent s'entraîner suffisamment et durent alors dépenser le maximum de leur force pour maintenir un classement honorable.

Nous avons cependant eu le plaisir de voir à l'œuvre notre dernière recrue Roger Garneau appelé plus souvent le diminutif coureur du Montagnard. Il a su prouver encore une fois que la valeur et le courage d'un bon skieur ne réside pas toujours dans la taille et la haute prestance, il en a surpris plusieurs et en surprendra encore bien d'autres.

Un de nos meilleurs coureur de fond Léo Garneau qui relévit de maladie au début de l'hiver ne chaussa les skis que pour quelques compétitions. Complètement rétabli maintenant, nous le reverrons ainsi que Maurice Dorval qui ne revint sur la piste que pour disputer le championnat de la Rive Sud. Il n'en remporta pas moins le championnât du club pour 1936-37. Il avait sûrement dû nous cacher des réserves de l'année précédente.

Ce championnat de la Rive Sud et de la ville de Lévis pour le trophée Duc de Lévis Mirepoix que nous organisons depuis 1934 remporte chaque fois un vif succès digne du nom qu'il porte. Ce trophée en or nous fût généreusement offert et envoyé de France par Leurs Excellences le Duc et la Duchesse de Lévis Mirepoix en souvenir de leur passage en notre ville et pour marquer toute l'estime qu'ils portent de cette organisation Lévisienne.

Marcel Lavoie du club de ski Athlétique remporta les honneurs de ce championnat pour 1936-37.

Enfin l'on prévoit pour cet hiver une saison des plus active et chacun s'entraîne ferme en vu du championnat Provincial qui sera tenu au Lac Beauport, sur les nouveaux centres de ski des monts Murphy et Taylor construits par monsieur Smith-Johannson.

Cette fois Québec peut se glorifier à juste titre de posséder une station de sport d'hiver la mieux achalandée et la plus complète au point de vue technique de tout l'est du Canada.

Le bureau de direction pour la saison 1937-38, se compose comme suit:—*Président*, François Pichard; *Vice-Président*, Léo Garneau; *Secrétaire*, Roger Garneau; *Assistant-Secrétaire*, Paul Fréchette; *Trésorier*, Maurice Dorval; *Directeurs*, Emile Lagueux, Ivan Roberge, Alfred Roy.

### Club Sportif de la Voirie

THE SKI section of the Club Sportif de la Voirie is now thoroughly established with a definite place among Canadian Ski Clubs. Our clubhouse, located on the National Battlefields Park, has been enlarged and modernized and our membership shows increased progress.

The social activities of the Club were inaugurated with a banquet and dance in the splendid ballroom of the Chateau Frontenac and was attended by over 500 guests, under the distinguished patronage of Hon. F. J. Luduc, Minister of Roads, and Madame F. J. Luduc.

Some of the sporting activities of the Club held were, in December, our annual Field Day, a Fox Race, a two-mile Cross-Country Race for juniors, won by Georges Gauvreau, and the annual Relay Race, won by Conrad Delisle and Jacques Leclerc in the combined time of 1.31.10.

In January the 10-mile Cross-Country Race for the Chaudière Valley Championship was won by Conrad Delisle, Jacques Leclerc being second. In the 4-mile Race for juniors Gordon Dale was first in 38.40, Georges Gauvreau second and Ernest Morency third.

Our most important meet of the season open to all Zones—the 10-mile Langlauf for the St. Lawrence Valley Championship—took place on January 18. Conrad Delisle was again the winner in the fast time of 1.0.15.; Marcel Lavoie, second in 1.3.25.

On January 25, Conrad Delisle made another grand showing when in the Cross-Country Race for the Laurentide Automobile Inc. Trophy, he placed first in 54.48, Marcel Lavoie being second in 57.13 and Y. Leclerc third in 1.00.50.

In February, Conrad Delisle, Jacques Leclerc and Marcel Lavoie left for Grand'Mère and took part in the 15-mile Cross-Country Race for the St. Maurice Valley Championship. Jacques Leclerc won this gruelling race in 1.58.50. Conrad Delisle who had to break the trail all the way in an old-fashioned snowstorm came second in 2.00.43, and Marcel Lavoie third in 2.2.23. The next day, Conrad Delisle won the Downhill Race in 57 3-5.

The Provincial Championship, which was staged in Three Rivers, added two more victories to Conrad Delisle's records, who in the Langlauf covered the 12 miles in the fast time of 1.14.31. Kitchener Gill of Grand'Mère being second in 1.20.39 and Jacques Leclerc third in 1.23.47.

In the Jumping Competition, notwithstanding the pouring rain and lack of training, Conrad Delisle won the Combined Championship with a total points of 269.6, Elmer McCullough being second with 304.7.

Our younger skiers were not forgotten. Our Club sponsored numerous events for our local juniors. We offered the facilities and accommodation of our clubhouse, also the experience of our trained members, to our local schools, to organize ski competitions. Last year we sponsored the first interscholastic ski meet ever held in our city. This event was repeated again on January 6. Twelve teams of three representing ten schools entered this second Interscholastic Relay Race.

Georges Gauvreau, Raymond Fleury and Guy Audet won this race for the Jesuit College in the combined time of 55.9, St. Patrick's High School taking second place only 31 seconds behind the winners. The fastest individual time of the race was made by Gordie Dale of St. Patrick's.

The City Championship for Juniors was won by Georges Gauvreau negotiating the four miles in 29.13. Gordon Dale placing second in 34.25.

The outlook for skiing around here has never been brighter.

For the coming season, the Provincial Meet will take place at Lake Beauport in the heart of the Laurentians, only twelve miles from the city, and everything in our power will be done not only to stimulate interest in our city, but to make a real success of this major event.

The officers elected for 1937 are as follows:—*Patron*,