

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 29.15. 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*,

Hon. F. J. Leduc, I.C., Minister of Roads; *President*, J. F. Pépin; *Vice-President*, Claude Delisle; *Secretary*, Horace Morin; *Treasurer*, L. H. Dupuis; *Directors*, Mike Dehouck, St-Charles Côté, Conrad Delisle, Augustin Gignac, Renaud Girouard, Paul Bolduc.

### Connaught Ski Club

FOLLOWING the disbanding of the old Sherbrooke Ski Club about ten years ago, interest in skiing in Sherbrooke and the Eastern Townships faded until a few devotees of the ancient sport finally got together and organized the Connaught Ski Club.

With headquarters at the Connaught Inn, at North Hatley, Quebec, and with the object of reviving interest in skiing in Sherbrooke and the Eastern Townships generally, membership in the Club is limited to active skiers only.

Notwithstanding the poor snow conditions last winter, the Club had a very successful year and it is hoped that this coming season will be even more so. Now that the Club is a member of the C.A.S.A., there are possibilities of promoting some sanctioned events such as downhill and slalom races.

After careful survey of the country around Sherbrooke, there was no room for doubt that North Hatley should be the centre of the Club's activities. This town, situated on beautiful Lake Massawippi, is well known to the people of the Province of Quebec as a summer resort, but until recently few have realized its possibilities as a winter resort, so our Club got going and spread the news that there was good skiing at North Hatley. Fortunately, the roads from Sherbrooke to North Hatley are kept open all winter, and a regular bus service is maintained, which makes this a very convenient spot to reach.

We had numerous visitors from Montreal and the United States last winter, all very active skiers, who definitely decided they would be back again this year to enjoy the skiing, which they consider as good as any to be found in the Laurentian Mountains.

The town of North Hatley has co-operated with the Club by clearing out trails and runs, and they naturally are anxious to do anything possible to popularize the district for winter sports.

For those who prefer a varied program for their week-end activities, excellent skating and bob-sledding can be found there as well. For those enthusiasts who are in the habit of spending Christmas and the New Year holidays away from home, no better accommodation can be found than at the Connaught Inn, at North Hatley, an excellent hotel, which furnishes every comfort to the skier.

### Fort William Ski Club

THE 1936-37 season for the Fort William Ski Club was an excellent one from every point of view. Snow came early in November and excellent skiing was enjoyed until the end of March.

A membership drive was started early, with the gratifying result that the club membership increased from two hundred and thirty to over three hundred members. A further increase is expected this year as the citizens of Fort William are rapidly becoming more ski minded, attracted by the thrill of the sport and the lure of the excellent terrain.

With a program of work started in October, the network of trails was extended and slopes adjacent to the clubhouse were enlarged. Indian labour was employed.

During the season for the first time in its history the Club was represented at the Ontario Championship Meet at North Bay by the Hansen Brothers, Erling and Knut. The showing they made was a credit to the Club, Knut taking fourth place and Erling fifth. Knut also placed third in the downhill race.

The District Meet held at the Club site on Febru-

ary 28, 1937, was well attended. Results were as follows:—Long Distance Race, approximately ten miles, won by Chas. Kaarila, time 55 min. 30 sec. Class A Jump, won by Knut Hansen of Fort William. Class B Jump, won by J. Royds of Port Arthur. Senior Slalom, won by Geo. Youngs, Fort William, time 1 min. 16 4-5 sec., distance approximately 7/8 mile. Junior Slalom, won by John Beeman, Fort William. The longest standing jump of the day was 116 feet by Lou Roberts.

Financially the club enjoyed an excellent season as well, for the first time ending the year with all debts paid and a credit balance on hand.

The Club also enjoyed the privilege of entertaining visitors from outside points, Winnipeg, Calgary, and Minneapolis being represented. More are expected this coming season of 1937-38, and are always welcome.

The Club is looking forward to an even better season this winter, and at this date work has already been started on improvements.

Officers are as follows:—*President*, W. L. Bird; *Treasurer*, J. H. Lyons; *Secretary*, H. W. Gough.

### Laurentian Ski Club

THE season of 1936-37 opened early for members of the Laurentian Ski Club. Although this Club had been chosen to conduct the Ontario Ski Zone Championships a change was made in August which gave us the C.A.S.A. fixture. Work began at once on a new jump hill; although a fine jump had been constructed the year before it was not considered suitable for a meet of such proportions. Accordingly there arose a new first class jump hill built entirely to F.I.S. standards, consisting of a 57-foot tower, take-off, landing hill and outrun. At the same time Slalom, Downhill and Cross-Country courses had been carefully chosen and marked. The next thing required was snow, which was almost entirely lacking throughout the winter; what fell was usually followed by rain and warm weather which served to bring the Committee in charge to the verge of tears. Finally the Championship weekend rolled around and it looked as if the long wished for snow had arrived but the day before the meet opened the most unseasonal thaw of the winter set in—the snow on the jump hill entirely disappeared—and many jumpers had arrived in the city. There was no backing out at that time so the Jump Committee proceeded to carry and place snow on the entire inrun landing hill and outrun of the jump.

Thirty-four jumpers were on hand when the meet was officially opened by Mayor Rowe. Jumping continued all afternoon while rivulets of water washed down the hill to the tune of a 55 degree temperature. Some 3,000 ski enthusiasts turned out to watch this, the first great jumping tournament in the North Country. A feature of the afternoon was an exhibition jump by Miss Elsie Richardson of Timmins. Winners of the jumping event were as follows:—1st, K. Baadsvik, Toronto; 2nd, K. Lovegren, Temiskaming; 3rd, J. Landry, Ottawa; 4th, K. Evensen, Huntsville; 5th, K. Hansen, Fort William; 6th, E. Hansen, Fort William.

The next day it was found necessary to move the Downhill and Slalom courses some four miles away from the original site in order to get a northern exposure which still boasted snow. Excellent races followed under extremely fast conditions. Winners are as follows:—Downhill:—1st, A. Hansman, Laurentian; 2nd, K. Baadsvik, Toronto; 3rd, K. Hansen, Fort William; 4th, T. Zinkan, Toronto.

Slalom:—1st, K. Baadsvik, Toronto; 2nd, T. Zinkan, Toronto; 3rd, M. G. Putman, Toronto; 3rd, J. Holland, Peterborough.

Combined Downhill and Slalom:—1st, K. Baadsvik, Toronto; 2nd, Ted Zinkan, Toronto; 3rd, M. G. Putman, Toronto.

The Cross-Country race was a real test of nerve and