

stamina over a most difficult and hazardous course. In this event honours went to the North as follows:—1st, L. Tulkku, Huntsville; 2nd, A. Back, Sudbury; 3rd, Abe Myll, Laurentian; 4th, E. Impola, Sudbury; 5th, R. Koeven, Porcupine.

Combined Jumping and Cross-Country:—1st, K. Baadsvik, Toronto; 2nd, R. Kleven, Porcupine; 3rd, K. Lovegren, Temiskaming.

During this meet there was held under C.A.S.A. auspices the first official Ladies Ontario Ski Championships. Although the number of entrants was not large those entered found much competition and have reason to be proud of having participated in the pioneering event in Ontario ski-ing. The winners were as follows: Downhill:—1st, Mrs. Dyson Slater, Toronto; 2nd, Miss Elsie Richardson, Porcupine; 3rd, Miss Nancy Ashton, Laurentian.

Slalom:—1st, Mrs. Don Meyers, Toronto; 2nd, Mrs. Dyson Slater, Toronto; 3rd, Miss Nancy Ashton, Laurentian.

Combined Downhill and Slalom:—1st, Mrs. Dyson Slater, Toronto; 2nd, Mrs. Don Meyers, Toronto; 3rd, Miss Nancy Ashton, Laurentian.

On the whole the meet was found satisfactory by competitors, spectators and committee in charge. All events were run as scheduled despite adverse snow and weather conditions. Judges for the Meet: S. R. Lockenberg, Ottawa, Chief Umpire; H. T. (Sam) Cliff, Toronto; A. L. Wilson, Toronto; timekeepers and other officials of the Laurentian Ski Club.

Club Championships held March 13 and 14 included events for Senior Ladies, Senior Men, Junior Girls and Boys. All events drew large entries and were keenly contested. Lack of snow made it necessary to cancel the Senior Jump, but Junior boys were able to compete on their own jump.

It would seem that with all the above activities the members had their hands full, but such was not the case. Ski-ing was enjoyed every weekend during the season by those who knew where to find the white and beautiful. The year's activities also included the erection of a new shelter hut at Cow Junction, some three miles from the main chalet. All trails were plainly marked and mapped to show direction, hills, hazards, etc. There were also many new trails cut out, and old ones improved. The Club's publication was again carried through the entire twelve issues numbering a circulation of 400 per issue. During the season some three social activities consisting of skating and dancing and showing of ski films were enjoyed by members and their friends.

Although the winter proved most arduous the Club managed to register practically the same membership as the previous year and finished the season with a very substantial balance in the exchequer.

Plans for the coming season include, Dry Ski Course; novice classes; and the construction of an Intermediate Jump.

The Executive and members extend to all Sister Clubs a most cordial invitation to visit them at any time. With best wishes for a successful season with plenty of snow—Ski Heil.

### Laurentian Cross-Country Ski Club

AS ELSEWHERE in the Laurentian Mountains a good ski-ing began early in November and continued throughout a long season, although at the holiday period and in early January there was less than the usual amount of good snow. Nevertheless, the members who came to the Cochand Chalet, our headquarters, were able to ski at all times. Our big week when there were the greatest number of members present was the period between February 12 and 22 and the gala day was Sunday, February 21, at which time our Club held the Laurentian Zone Competitions in Cross-Country and Slalom races. There were a large number of entries including the best skiers of Eastern Canada. In the Cross-Country first, second and third places were taken by R. F. Johannsen, H.

Pangman and W. Tait respectively. The Slalom was run in the afternoon down the new Slalom course on the slopes of Twin Mountain. First, second and third places were taken by R. F. Johannsen, V. Cousineau and T. Moore respectively. The Challenge Cup was taken by the Red Birds of McGill University, whose team presented the highest number of combined points. Both courses were laid out by Mr. Smith-Johannsen who had spent some days in advance of the races at the Chalet.

Again this year our club member, Victor Cousineau, showed his superiority in Downhill racing by placing first in the Downhill at the Grand Kandahar at Mont Tremblant on February 28 in the remarkable time of 2.52. In the Slalom he placed fifth and in the Combined took fifth place with a score of 5.00. His ski-ing companion, Louis Cochand, maintained his excellent record of 1936 by placing second in the Downhill Kandahar and fourth in the Slalom which gave him in the Combined races third place with a score of 4.47. Both of these records are most meritorious in view of the fact that they were ski-ing against the strong visiting Swiss University Team.

At the Dominion Championships at Banff, Louis Cochand took fifth place in the Downhill and third in the Slalom, and in the Combined third place with a score of 169.55, thereby showing his superiority over all Canadian skiers in these two competitions.

At Sun Valley in the United States National Amateur Championships, Louis Cochand placed ninth in the Downhill and third in the Slalom, against Durrance, who was first, and Francioli, the famous Swiss skier, who was second. Also at Mount Baker in the Mount Washington Ski Club Competitions he placed first in the Slalom and seventh in the Downhill.

Victor Cousineau, in the Downhill and Slalom sponsored by the Laurentian Lodge at Shawbridge, January 16, won first place and Louis Cochand took fifth.

At the Laurentian Zone Championship Downhill, February 20, Victor Cousineau placed fifth and Louis Cochand tenth, while in the Slalom second place went to Victor Cousineau and fifth place to Louis Cochand.

At Skoki (a Zone Competition) Victor Cousineau won the Sir Norman J. Watson Glacial Trophy in the ten and a half mile Cross-Country while in the Downhill and Slalom he placed second in each.

An unusual amount of enthusiasm was shown at the Annual Meeting and it was decided to build several new trails, one to be named after Victor Cousineau and another after Louis Cochand. The Victor Cousineau Trail will be a speedy Downhill run from Split Rock to the junction of Richard and Ommanney Trails, but wide enough at the tricky points to accommodate the less expert skiers. The Louis Cochand Trail will be a circuit around Twin Mountains and will be a good run for the average skier. We expect both of these trails will be finished by the opening of the season.

The present officers of the Club are:—*President*, Dr. A. R. Diefendorf; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Emile Cochand; *Secretary*, Clarence Munson; *Treasurer*, W. T. Gilbert; *Directors*, J. H. Beaton, Dr. Ernest Charron, K. C. Christie, Russell Cowans, C. C. Gardiner, Conrad Goddard, James O'Donnell, H. H. Pike, D. A. Pritchard, Carl Taylor, Elliott Coleman, John W. Wheeler, Warren Cook.

### McGill University Ski Club

SKI-ING at McGill University this year received great impetus. The Athletics Board has made ski-ing a major sport on the Campus and has increased the budget of the Club. On top of this encouragement, the Red Birds Ski Club donated a cabin at St. Sauveur to the Undergraduate Club. This spurred on added enthusiasm and was responsible to a large extent for the increased membership to over eighty in the Club.

The most important team events of the season were the Intercollegiate Ski Union meet at St. Margarets and the Invitation meet at the Dartmouth Winter Carnival in Hanover, New Hampshire. McGill were hosts to

ten teams for the I.S.U. meet at St. Margarets. Dartmouth's outstanding team took first place honours with McGill second, holding a wide margin over all others. The visiting S.A.S. team from Switzerland was exceptionally good in Downhill and Slalom events. Captain Ronnie Denton starred when he won the Jumping, far ahead of the next best man. Harold Staniforth took third place.

At the Dartmouth Carnival, the only other inter-collegiate event, McGill was, as usual, second to Dartmouth. Bob Johannsen won the Jumping. Swiss and Dartmouth aces took all other places.

In Zone competitions Johannsen was the most outstanding skier, never failing to place; he led the McGill team to victory in the Zone Championships as it retained the MacTaggart Shield. Other members of the senior team were Captain Ronnie Denton, Manager Bob Townsend, Don Tirrell, Jim Houghton, Hank Findlay, Bill Tait, Chris Mamen, Hal Staniforth and Bill Robinson.

Honorary coaches were Dr. Bill Ball, Harry Pangman and Paul Knowlton. They placed much emphasis on the European technique and before long this will be well developed at McGill.

The executive for 1937-38 is as follows:—*Honorary President*, Dr. Lewis Reford; *President and Captain*, Robert Townsend; *Manager*, Donald Tirrell; *Assistant Manager*, Herbert von Colditz; *Secretary*, Montague Berger; *Honorary Coach*, Dr. William Ball.

### Ottawa Ski Club

SOME one again blundered and pulled the wrong string or pushed the wrong button at the beginning of the ski season of 1936-37, and the snow that was to fall on the slopes of the Gatineau hills, and that was eagerly awaited by countless thousands, went instead to the orange groves of California, doing no good there because no one knew what to do with it.

When we say that there was no snow, we mean of course that there was not enough snow. As the French-Canadian habitant puts it "*Pour dire qu'y a de la neige, y en a pas, mais pour dire qu'y en a pas, y en a!*" And when we say that there was not enough snow, we mean that there was not enough to satisfy those utterly spoiled residents of Ottawa, those terrible "sissies," who want to have the white stuff up to their necks and a little higher if they can before they can be induced to come out.

The few Torontonians, Montrealers or Kingstonians who came here in January did not think we had any real cause for grievance, and such men as Hubert Douglas, head of the racing committee and vice-president Herbert Marshall were out every weekend from December 1 to April 15 and claimed they always found enough of the white stuff to enjoy themselves.

In order to while away the time and give its members something to do, the Ottawa Ski Club arranged for a series of educational ski films which were shown in January and February. Ski-ing in Japan, over the Bavarian Alps, the Schneider Ski School, German Ski Schools, Downhill races on Tuckerman's Ravine, Mount Washington, etc. The staging of these films cost a good bit of money but the interest was so keen and the attendance so large that the Club felt well repaid for its efforts. We believe ski films are a very fine way of educating the people and we intend to keep up the good work.

Early in December, the first issue of what was to be an all-round ski magazine came out under the name of "Track," superseding the old "Ottawa Ski Club News," every page breathing faith in the coming winter. It was left to the "Ottawa Ski Club News," however, which bobbed up again later, in February and March, to explain why these predictions and promises had not materialized. Like the very good, "Track" died young, while the "Ottawa Ski Club News," of wicked reputation, is still in the breach.

The easy trails, on which the Club had spent so much time and money during the fall of 1936, proved to

be a godsend during the winter on account of the rather scanty snow covering. The Pleasant Valley Trail, the Trail of the Rising Sun, the Trail of the Morning After, all nicely undulating trails and converging towards Camp Fortune, were extremely popular, and should be still more so during the coming winter. The new playgrounds just north of Camp Fortune, and consisting of a hundred acres or so of hilly land gradually transformed into a park, attracted a great many visitors.

No such easy trails are in the course of building this fall however, but rather murderous ones for the Dominion Championships, which are to be staged on Camp Fortune Heights at the end of February, 1938. A new downhill course, which for sheer wickedness will leave behind all other courses of the kind ever laid in the Gatineau hills, is now completed. Its length is about three-quarters of a mile, some of the slopes are over thirty degrees and the curves are about as sharp as they can be for real enjoyment. This is to be the 1938 downhill course, and we believe it will be talked about.

Sigurd's Hill is also being transformed into a real championship hill, providing, it is hoped, if calculations are not astray, for a jump of at least 175 feet.

The Ottawa Ski Club believes that the show which is going to be staged here in February, 1938, for the Dominion Championships, will be fully as good as that of Banff last year, and the thousands of visitors which are expected from Toronto, Montreal, Calgary, Winnipeg, and other burghs will not be disappointed.

Results of ski competitions in 1937:—

City Championship Cross-Country—Senior: First, John Veit; second, Bruce Heggteit. Junior: First, Eugene Heggteit; second, Ernie Finlayson; third, Bill Bambrick.

Downhill—First, Bruce Heggteit; second, Eugene Heggteit; third, John Fripp.

Slalom—First, John Taylor; second, John Fripp; third, Bruce Heggteit.

Combined Downhill and Slalom—First, Bruce Heggteit; second, John Fripp; third, Eugene Heggteit.

Club Championship—Downhill—First, Joe Oliver; second, Bruce Heggteit; third, John Taylor.

Slalom—First, Peter O'Connor; second, Bruce Heggteit; third, Eugene Heggteit.

Ladies Downhill—First, Kay Larocque; second, Gwen Barnes; third, D. Constantine.

Ladies Slalom—First, Kay Larocque; second, Gwen Barnes; third, Jean Clegg.

Class II Downhill—First, Hubert Douglas; second, Bill Irving; third, Fred LaFlamme.

### Penguin Ski Club

A GENERAL meeting of the club was held in Montreal in November, and from then on until April our headquarters were at the clubhouse at Piedmont.

The Zone again honoured us by awarding us the running of the Provincial Ladies Championship Slalom and Downhill, which was held in conjunction with the St. Jovite Ski Club on the Taschereau trail on February 14. The Slalom was run on the newly cut hill facing Mont Tremblant, on which a difficult course was set. Madeleine McNichols won the Downhill in 5 min. 52.4 sec. and placed third in the Slalom to win the Combined event. Dorothy Michaels, Ski Club of Montreal, placed first in the Slalom and second in the Combined.

Our big enterprise of the year was the girls Inter-scholastic Meet which was held at St. Sauveur on February 20. We met with a good deal of opposition, and finally only three of the schools invited entered teams. There were three teams entered from Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's, two from Trafalgar, and two from the Study. Dorothy Staniforth of Trafalgar took first place in the Downhill, with Faith Lyman, also of Trafalgar, winning the Slalom. Joan Barclay, of Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's, won both Junior