

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 burgs 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

events easily. Trafalgar won the team cup so kindly presented by Mrs. Wilkins of St. Sauveur, for Slalom and Downhill.

Our Club Championships were run in two parts, on January 30-31, and March 7. Downhill and Cross-Country were won by Mrs. Mactaggart, the Slalom and Jump by Francoise McNichols, and the Bushwhack by Hélène McNichols. Hélène McNichols placed first in the five combined events to win the shield presented by Mr. Philip Mackenzie as a perpetual club trophy.

In the Inter-city meet at the Seignior Club, the Penguins first team took first place in both Slalom and Downhill, while the second team came second in the Downhill and third in the Combined.

At Lake Placid we were represented by F. McNichols, M. McNichols, Lorna Meagher, and Pat Paré. Lorna Meagher took third in the Slalom, Francoise and Madeleine McNichols placed first and second in the Downhill, with Pat Paré fifth.

Six Penguins competed in the Dominion Championships held at St. Margarets on March 14, and placed third, fourth, fifth, seventh, and twelfth.

In the Western Canada Ladies Championship held at Banff, Barbara Kemp competed and placed fifth and seventh in Slalom and Downhill.

After a successful season of competitions we had several weekends of good spring ski-ing, when our house was always filled with members.

Officers for the season 1936-37 were as follows:—*Honorary President*, H. Smith Johannsen; *Honorary Vice-President*, A. H. Pangman; *President*, Hélène McNichols; *Vice-President*, Mrs. N. C. D. Mactaggart; *Secretary*, Alphonsine Paré; *Treasurer*, Francoise McNichols.

Peterborough Ski Club

THE Peterborough Ski Club began its activities earlier than usual when it co-operated with the Winter Sports Committee in raising funds for a new first class F.I.S. jump. This jump, with possibilities of distances from 100 to 120 feet, was ready for use before the snow fell.

We had one of our most successful seasons with several well-attended jumping exhibitions to add thrills. Our membership numbered about 150. Last season we issued, for the first time, a bi-monthly paper called the "Telemarker," which proved to be a great asset both financially and otherwise.

The Jumping Competition in connection with our Club Championships was held at Nassau, and the Cross-Country, Slalom and Downhill Races, at Omemece.

We hope to extend our territory this coming season and possibly to build another clubhouse.

The Ontario Ski Zone Championships for 1937-38 have been allotted to the Peterborough Ski Club and are to be held on February 6 and 7. It is our intention to make this event the most outstanding one to date, and we take this opportunity of reminding all other ski clubs that we are looking forward to entertaining their representatives at that time.

Officers for the coming season:—*President*, A. B. Rhodes; *First Vice-President*, Gerry Duffus; *Second Vice-President*, Isobel Reid; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Lahring Parsons; *Directors*, Jack Holland, Otto Laderach, Andy Rutter, Ross Thompson, and Toby Westbye.

Park Toboggan and Ski Club

ALTHOUGH one of the oldest winter sports organizations on the continent, it was not until the winter of 1935-36 that the Park Toboggan and Ski Club affiliated itself with the Laurentian Zone of the C.A.S.A. and added ski-ing to its list of activities.

During that season the Park Toboggan and Ski Club played host at a luncheon to the Canadian Olympic Ski Team shortly before it left for Garmisch.

A feature that proved popular with our mem-

bers and guests was a series of ski films shown here at various times throughout the winter. This idea, started in 1935, will be continued again this year. The year's biggest event, however, is still the great "Fete-de-Nuit", which is staged entirely by the Park Toboggan and Ski Club and enjoyed by thousands of Montrealers, and many Americans too.

In the 1936-37 season the Club added to its ski facilities by starting a jump adjacent to its world-famous toboggan slide (unfortunately neither was used owing to weather conditions) and by establishing a ski house and sleeping cabin at St. Margarets, Que. This latter innovation proved popular with the members, as the place chosen was attractive and comfortable, and excellent meals were served to our skiers and their friends by John Iversen and his wife.

We were very fortunate in having Harry Pangman, Zone chairman, as a member, while H. S. Johannsen, as director of the club, rendered invaluable service. Thanks must also go to Fred Rolland, a member of a rival club, who assisted greatly in the work on the new jump, while our hard working president, Frank L. Benedict, has encouraged the new division with as much enthusiasm as he has previously shown for the tobogganing section of the club.

The junior ski division went ahead last year, the younger boys numbering over seventy, while our competitive skiers enjoyed a fair measure of success, the work of the three Moore brothers, Tom and Alex. Casgrain, George Roberts and Norman Gagne, being particularly good; while on the ladies side the Misses Mann, Miller, Borup and Heniz performed creditably. Park Toboggan entrants were to be found in the Ontario and Quebec championships, several zone events, the Taschereau and Kandahar races and the Ladies Seignior Club and Dominion meets. The Moore's, George and Fred, and the two Casgrains also competed in the Dartmouth Winter Carnival under the University of Montreal colors.

However, the desire of the club directorate is not to have merely the first class skiers represent the club in competition, although we like winners on our team as well as any club. Rather, it desires to have the general class of club members ski for their own enjoyment both in Montreal and in the Laurentians while making full use of the facilities offered in both places. Then we will have justified our change in name from the Park Toboggan Club to the Park Toboggan and Ski Club.

Red Birds Ski Club

THE CLUB enjoyed a very successful season which started for the trail cutting crew under Harry Pangman in October and ended with the annual May 24th Expedition to Mount Washington. Even the adverse conditions which prevailed through December and January did not prevent several members from being able to boast that they had missed no weekends from the beginning of December until the end of April. Two weekends in January were practically confined to those "nose dives" and "tail spins" which could be accomplished on a strip of ice twenty-five yards wide by one hundred yards long.

The first competition of the season was a cross between a slalom and a downhill held on January 17, under the auspices of the Laurentian Lodge of Shawbridge on glare ice and only made possible by the prodigious efforts of H. Smith Johannsen and assistants who broke the ice on practically every foot of the course by means of shovels and the heels of their boots.

Red Birds did well in this event but, as was to be the case through the whole season, they were undergraduate members and the credit went to McGill University Ski Club. Dave Dunton a new member of the Club, however, won Class 3.

The Club Cross-Country and Jump were held on January 24 also on ice. The former event was won by Harry Pangman, who actually seems to be improving the nearer he gets to the veteran class. The jump was won by Bob Johannsen.