



Ready for a Day in The Laurentians

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## President's Message

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**I**T IS most pleasing to state that the number of Member Clubs has now passed the one hundred mark. In this connection I would like to pay tribute to the excellent work accomplished by the various Zone Committees in the manner in which they have assisted in the formation of new clubs and developed the older ones in all their activities.

The Member Clubs have, in themselves, progressed rapidly, taking advantage of the wave of popularity that our sport has experienced recently, and in a number of cases have had an increase in their individual membership of over fifty per cent.

A large percentage of most clubs are juniors who are usually looked after by a committee within each club. The Zones in turn, have provided competitions and other activities for them. The juniors are our investment for the future of Canadian ski-ing. They should be provided with the proper competitive experience so that they may in due course enter senior competition when their physical ability and judgment is near the peak.

The accomplishments of the various Zone Committees is very gratifying. The fact that each Zone operates in a different manner is indicative of the necessity for governing separate districts in accordance with their own local requirements. There are still a number of matters which overlap between the C.A.S.A. and the Zone functions but I believe in time this will be straightened out by a limited standardization.

May I at this point issue a word of warning. In most other national sports there seems to be a feeling of intense sectionalism, every district warring with one another and accomplishing nothing but confusion and ugly situations. Our sport at the present time has growing pains, and if we fail to look beyond our noses we are apt to find ourselves breaking down instead of building up. The answer to this, of course, is goodwill and co-operation. Let this be our motto throughout our organization.

During the past three years a sincere effort has been made to consolidate all the clubs in Canada. The Western and Eastern clubs who

formerly were bitterly opposed to one another have met on even terms and both sections have established a confidence which must be upheld. This is really a point worth noting when one considers the vast distances that separate our Zones or Member Clubs.

I must give due credit to Bill Thompson, the Past President of the C.A.S.A., for his initiative in helping to bring about this confederation. He has cut a trail that has been relatively easy to follow.

It was my good fortune to visit the West at a time when most of their officers were present for the Annual Meeting and the Dominion Championships. We had a lengthy discussion over our various problems and I am sure that a lasting bond was established. The Dominion Championships at Banff seemed to give the Western Clubs a new lease of life. They are ski-conscious to a high degree.

Every year the Ladies' Sections of the Member Clubs have become more and more prominent and their interest in the affairs of the Association has been deeply appreciated.

Miss Marion Miller, a member of Canada's Olympic Team at Garmisch in 1936 has again been appointed Canadian Representative of the

C.A.S.A. in Europe where she spends most of the ski-ing season. She has been of valuable assistance as our intermediary with the F.I.S. and other National Ski Associations overseas. She has also had time to race for Canada, giving a most creditable performance.

The Ladies' Olympic Team, Mrs. Lois Butler (Captain), Mrs. Gordon-Lennox, Mrs. Chamier and Miss Marion Miller, have donated a beautiful Cup known as the "Garmisch Downhill Cup" for Ladies' Competition in Canada. The donors have left the terms of award to the discretion of the C.A.S.A.

Downhill and slalom racing for ladies is gradually reaching the same proportions as the men's events and I think the time is not far off that separate committees will be set up in each Zone so that the ladies may handle their own affairs, especially the organization and despatch of competitions.

In closing I wish to acknowledge the wholehearted support of the officers and clubs of the Association, especially that of Sigurd Lockeberg, Ross Larway, Harry Pangman, John Southam, Lindsay Loutet and A. A. McCoubrey who have willingly given much of their valuable time to C.A.S.A. affairs.



## New Quebec Ski-ing Developments

**A**T LAC BEAUPORT twelve miles north of Quebec City, the extensive development completed last year, and where a most successful competition was held last season, has been further extended. A second slalom hill is now ready and a ski tow installed serving both hills. Much work has also been done on improving trails and jumping hills. Lac Beauport gives the Quebec people and their many visitors a complete ski-ing playground easily accessible to the city.

At Beauceville, fifty miles to the south of Quebec, on the Jackman Highway and Quebec Central Railway, in a lovely natural ski country of long open slopes, a jumping hill has been built and slalom and downhill courses and extensive trail systems mapped out. The Beauceville Ski Club has been formed and will take charge of local activities.

Sutton, Quebec, is but fifty miles from Montreal on the C.P.R. Boston line, at the foot of Round Top Mountain towering 2,600 feet above the town. On Round Top there is being developed what will be a second Kandahar run, also a jumping hill, slalom course, practice

slopes and miles of trails, all available for ski-ing this season. Excellent train service and good accommodation make it of particular interest to Montrealers looking for new ski country.

Six miles south of Sutton at Abercorn, on the border, is The Pinnacle—1,600 feet high, and here an extensive project is under way under the auspices of the Richmond-Vermont Ski Club.

The town of St. Gabriel, seventy miles from Montreal on the C.P.R. Joliette branch line, are just finishing work on a jumping hill, slalom and downhill courses and some forty miles of interesting trails. The St. Gabriel Ski Club extend a cordial welcome to visitors, and good accommodation will be found in the town.

We are certainly getting ski-minded in Quebec and elsewhere, and the development is indicated from the above. Shortly every town in the Province will have its ski club and complete facilities, just as in the good old snowshoe days.