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Kimberley Ski Club

BEING favoured with a long season and a good supply of snow, last winter proved the most successful in the Club's history.

The district is becoming ski-conscious rather quickly, and the Club has grown every year since its inception. Last year its membership reached one hundred and eighty. There is every indication that it will reach two hundred this season.

The open tournament was held February 25-27. In addition to the usual cross-country and jumping contests, slalom and downhill races were held. The ladies' cross-country races were abandoned in favour of slalom and downhill. These innovations proved very successful and we hope to continue them in the future.

During the summer, improvements in and about the Club's cabin were carried out. The cabin roof was painted and the walls oiled inside and out. A caretaker's cabin is being built for use during the coming winter. The slalom and downhill courses were widened and lengthened. One of the biggest tasks undertaken was the stringing of a mile of power line from the town lighting system to the cabin. This new lighting system is a marvellous improvement over the old one. If present plans are carried out we may enjoy flood-lighted night ski-ing in the near future.

Officers for the coming year are:—*Honorary President*, W. Lindsay; *Honorary Vice-President*, C. Oughtred; *President*, L. J. Almas; *Vice-President*, S. Blair; *Treasurer*, A. A. Watkins; *Secretary*, C. A. McLeish; *Assistant Secretary*, W. Hepper; *Directors*, Miss I. Soderholm, R. Greene, E. Nord, O. Scribe.

In conclusion, the Kimberley Club wishes the C.A.S.A. and all their members continued success in their promotion of ski-ing in Canada.

Amber Ski Club

IN A comparatively short time the winter will be upon us and we shall be sorting out our skis and togs for another gala season. Without a doubt, Princeton Amber Club ski-ing facilities rank with the best and it has ideal slopes on which even the most timid novice can perform with assurance.

The name of the Club originated through the need of repair to skis. To reinforce a ski, the damaged part was patched with the tins of the Amber Tobacco Co., with the result there were several skis about town sporting the name "Amber," leading to the adoption of the present name. As a tribute to our organization the B. Houde Tobacco Co. Ltd. presented the Club with a silver cup for annual competition.

Our headquarters are situated in a lovely spot within a short ski-ing distance of Princeton proper. Through the combined efforts of the Club we have had several profitable social events, which will enable us to enlarge our club cabin to accommodate our ever-increasing membership.

The newcomers are chiefly juniors and I think I am safe in saying we have the largest junior membership in Canada and are very proud of them all. To encourage these youngsters we have special jumps and slalom courses open for their convenience and adult members give their adequate support and proper instruction—for the juniors of today are competitors of tomorrow. As a special treat the Club provides all members with hot coffee of which they eagerly partake during the days' adventures.

At the Western Canada Championships our skiers made a splendid showing and carried away their share of the honors, as follows:—Men's Slalom, 1st; Men's Downhill, 2nd, 3rd and 6th; Combined Downhill and Slalom, 2nd and 5th; B Class Jumping, 2nd and 4th; Ladies' Slalom, 2nd and 6th; Ladies' Downhill 2nd and 7th.

At the Vancouver Ski Zone Championships we took the following:—B Class Jumping, 1st; Junior Jumping, 1st and 3rd; Junior Cross-Country, 2nd; Junior Downhill, 1st; Junior Girls' Downhill, 2nd and 3rd.

The reports were that our members were treated

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most royally by the Vancouver skiers and we await the pleasure of being able to entertain them at some future date.

We also had our club tournament this spring at which the contestants were too numerous to mention, as our junior membership is at least in the nineties and each competitor was most enthusiastic. It proves that the future of the Club is secure for further outside competition.

Our executive for 1937-38 is as follows:—*President*, A. E. Irwin; *Vice-President*, Bert James; *Secretary*, Jean McCaffery; *Correspondent*, J. Thomson.

Fuji Ski Club

THOUGH our membership has decreased since our inception in the spring of 1934, we felt more confident last season than ever before. This was due to our new and future policy of weeding out the non-active and non-paying members. With this firm foundation and ever increasing winter visitors, our outlook for the coming season seems anything but bright.

The club enjoyed a very active and successful year. Our club was well represented for the first time, both in Zone and home ground (Grouse Mountain) competition. Each of our itineraries, planned at the beginning of the year was fulfilled and supported with large turnouts. Included among them was two days' trip to Mount Rainier during the Silver Skis.

Our fourth general meeting was held on May 25, and our four-time vice-president, Mr. W. Wakabayashi, was elected as our new prexy. With the help of his long experience we have already laid elaborate plans for the coming year.

Every weekend we are busy completing the addition to our cabin to accommodate the ever-increasing guests. Meanwhile, the executives are busy arranging the plans to hold the first tournament between Seattle Japanese

ski colony and Vancouver. For this event Mr. Tada has already donated a handsome trophy.

With the kind and ever helpful support of the local Zone officials, we hope to go over the top this year.

Grouse Mountain Ski Club

ONCE again the Grouse Mountain Ski Club has wound up a great ski-ing season. Eleven years ago the club was formed under many difficulties, and at that time ski-ing was in its infancy in Vancouver. Today, however, ski-ing has captured the imagination of Vancouverites and its popularity is increasing with leaps and bounds. Do you sit with dreamy eyes and gaze yearningly at the mountains? Do you have a hankering to get back on the snow? If so, you too must be a ski addict.

With this transition our club has played an active part. Many young and old people have learned to ski through the efforts of the club's instructors, and good sportsmanship has always been our endeavour. Thus we feel we have helped to promote this great winter sport.

The past season, 1937-38, has been most successful, due to the efforts of our popular President, Gordon Loutet, and his hard working executive.

Snow fell early in November, but due to warmer weather setting in again, ski-ing was not at its best until January. Throughout the winter the average depth of snow was less than usual, with about ten feet on the Grouse Plateau and fifteen feet on the back mountains.

Before the snow came, however, the members worked nobly in repairing the clubhouse and in cutting the winter's supply of wood. There was a great spirit of co-operation even at this early stage of the season. Ski trails and hiking trails were also put into better condition with the help of members from the other clubs on Grouse Mountain.