

de-Nuit under the patronage of Mayor Raynault of Montreal. With its huge bonfire and fireworks, this show always attracts a large crowd of members and others to the slide and clubhouse on Mount Royal.

A special evening, inaugurated last year, was "McGill Night," which saw a large number of University students use the slide and later enjoy an excellent dance in the spacious clubhouse. Many prominent McGill skiers were surprised at the thrill they experienced in going down the icy chutes for the first time.

Besides these feature events, the social side of the club was well taken care of with weekly Wednesday movie shows and Saturday night dances. The movie nights were a popular item on our program, featuring many ski subjects as well as travelogues and comedies. Two of these evenings in particular were especially outstanding. On both of these occasions, we played host to the other member clubs of the Zone and their friends, and some excellent ski films were shown. From these affairs a moderate sum of money was raised and turned over to the St. John Ambulance Brigade to assist them in their excellent voluntary first aid work amongst skiers in the Laurentians.

While on the competitive side our skiers were not quite as prominent as in the two previous years, an excellent showing in some of the Laurentian events was made nevertheless. One feature that should help us in the future was the opening of the fifty-foot jump next to the slide on Mount Royal. This was used by our juniors and we hope it will enable them to gradually work up to jumps of larger size. By means of floodlights this jump was available for night practice as well.

In the Laurentians a ski camp was once more operated; while a new and enlarged camp has been secured for this season at St. Margarets with a resident couple in charge.

From the foregoing, it will be seen an excellent season was enjoyed by all our members. With three types of members—sliding, ski-ing and social, and a great diversification of ages, it will readily be seen that a varied program is necessary. With the probable addition of a skating rink this year we can confidently look forward to an even better season than last. Thus we are more of a complete winter sports organization than just a competitive skiers' club, feeling that in this way our various members will get the greatest good from their club.

Officers of the Club, 1937-38; *President*, Frank L. Benedict; *Vice-President*, Don Ross; *Secretary-Treasurer*, G. Harold Fisk; *Ski Chairman*, F. L. Scofield.

Penguin Ski Club

DURING the past season our members have carried our colors farther afield than ever before, and we are proud to say that we had a winner in every event in which we were represented in the Laurentians. The clubhouse at Piedmont was small, but adequate, and was used more than ever over weekends. Perhaps this popularity was due to the very efficient House Committee of Dorothy Blair, Mary Gurd, and Percival Mackenzie.

With plenty of snow throughout the winter, successes in the competitive world started early, Gertrude Mann winning the New Year weekend slalom at St. Sauveur. On January 16 Madeleine McNichols won the Zone's informal slalom, which counted as part of our three-event Club Championship. Francoise McNichols won the downhill, held on the Molson trail, and Mrs. H. S. Maxwell and Pat Paré tied for first in the cross-country. Final standing in the three events showed Madeleine the winner of the Mackenzie Shield with 280.6 points out of 500, and Betty Maxwell second with 273.6, closely followed by Francoise with 273.5.

At the Seignior Club's Inter-city Meet we defended the team title with success, though hard-pressed by the McGill team. We sent two squads, which placed one and two in the downhill, with Madeleine McNichols the individual winner. In the slalom the showing was not so good, but our No. 1 team, consisting of Madeleine,

Francoise and Helene McNichols and Betty Maxwell, placed first in the combined and our No. 2 team fifth out of nine teams.

The next race was the Mont Tremblant Downhill, always one of the most enjoyable events of the year, and this time it was run under perfect conditions. Pat Paré made a brilliant run, to defeat all the girls, all the Class C men, and all the Class B men but seven. Her time of 4:54.6 was eighth best in a field of 112. Madeleine McNichols repeated her usual Mont Tremblant victory by winning the Class B girls with a time of 5:12.6.

At the Provincial Championship, held this year at St. Margarets, Francoise McNichols defeated a large entry to win the downhill, and by placing third in the slalom won the combined title. Peggy Johansen, a Penguin carrying McGill colors, won the slalom.

At St. Sauveur on March 13, Gertrude Mann won the Class B downhill, and Helen Davis the Class C downhill and slalom. Pat Paré finished the Laurentian season by winning the Sugar Snow Derby at Baldy, on April 4.

This year we have been represented in many competitions away from our home in the Laurentians. At Lake Placid we won the team event, with Helene McNichols winning the downhill. Peggy Johansen won the slalom for McGill. Patricia Paré placed third in the Canadian Championships at Banff, and she and Phonsine carried our colors at Mount Rainier, Mount Hood and Sun Valley. Alice Johansen has been representing us with great success in meets in the vicinity of Winnipeg.

We sent a team to the Hochebidge Invitation Downhill on the Wildcat trail and Pinkham Notch, and with Madeleine McNichols tying for first, Helene placing fourth, and Francoise tying for sixth, we easily won the team event.

Not so high were our placings at the U.S. National Championships held at Mount Mansfield on April 10. Madeleine McNichols was seventh in the downhill and Francoise seventh in the slalom.

Our schoolgirls meet was very popular this year, and we had a turnout of sixty odd entries. A beautiful shield was given to us by Mr. John Molson, and this was easily won by the Trafalgar No. 1 team.

We now have seven Class B runners, and new team badges have been awarded to Gertrude Mann and Helen Davis.

Next year will mark a turning point in the lives of the Penguins, who have hitherto migrated from one rented shack to another, annually packing up the Club paraphernalia for a new move. The Club will be forever grateful to the kind benefactors who are so generously building us a clubhouse of our own.

The executive for the coming season is as follows:—*President*, Dorothy Blair; *Vice-President*, Barbara Kemp; *Secretary*, Mary Gurd; *Sports Secretary*, Percival Mackenzie; *Treasurer*, Madeleine McNichols.

Red Birds Ski Club

CLUB MEMBERS started the season with trail cutting activities on Mount Tremblant during the months of November and December and were in good shape to take advantage of the first snowfall which arrived over the week-end of December 18-19. Good conditions were enjoyed from that time until April 1.

The competitive season opened on January 2 with the Annual New Year's Race at St. Sauveur. The winner being Doug Mann, an undergraduate member. George Jost placed second.

The first two events of the Club Championships, Cross-Country and Jumping, took place on January 25. Both events were won by Bob Johansen.

In the Quebec Zone Championships, W. Ball placed third in the Class A Cross-Country, and B. Sproule second in the Class B Slalom.

The Montreal School Boy Championships were successfully run off on February 4 and 5, by Red Birds

Houghton and Sproule. Nearly one hundred and fifty competitors took part.

In the Mont Tremblant Downhill Race for Class B and C skiers, R. Sproule placed second in the Class B, and J. Bovey was the winner of Class C.

Red Birds boosted their competitive record at the Quebec Championships in Quebec City on February 20, when Harry Pangman, perennial cross-country star, won his specialty from a strong field. Jack Houghton and Bill Taylor picked up several third and fourth places between them in slalom and downhill.

On March 6 and 7, the Quebec Kandahar was again successfully run off by the club on Mont Tremblant.

The Red Birds somewhat disastrously invaded the U.S.A. on March 13 to take part in the combined Hochgebirge and Appalachian Club Meet at Pinkham Notch near Mount Washington. Some good individual runs were made by Harry Pangman in the Slalom and by Tom Casgrain and Bill Taylor in the Downhill, but the Team only took fifth place in the combined standing.

The final events for the Club Championships were held on March 20 in the rain, and the meet closed with a social gathering at which many of the older members were present. Bob Johannsen was declared the winner of the Converse Cup, and Jack Pidcock the winner of the Barclay Bowl, competed for by Class B members.

On April 2, George Jost competing for the first time since the New Year, due to an attack of pneumonia, came second in the St. Margarets Club Invitation Meet. Bill Ball was third.

Bill Ball again coached the McGill Ski Team to their usual second place behind Dartmouth.

Officers for the past season were:—*Honorary President*, Mr. Justice Barclay; *President*, W. L. Ball; *Vice-President*, G. B. Jost; *Secretary*, J. R. Houghton; *Treasurer*, T. T. Odell.

Ste. Agathe Ski Club

WE ARE gratified to report that the 1937-38 season was a most successful one for the Ste. Agathe Ski Club from the standpoint of competitions, development and club activities.

Major honors in competitions went to our ace cross-country runner, Gault Gillespie, for his excellent performances at Montreal in the Mount Royal Cross-country Race and at Ottawa in the Dominion Championships.

We started off the competitive season on January 2 when at St. Sauveur in the downhill races for men, Roland Belhumeur placed 10th in Class B, while J. L. Belhumeur placed 4th in Class C.

On January 15 Gault Gillespie captured the Mount Royal Cross-country race sponsored by the Park Toboggan and Ski Club. Gillespie was clocked in 38 minutes 2 seconds, considered fast time for the difficult course, over five miles in length.

Our Club Championships were held on January 24 and 30 and February 6. The challenge cups which were contested for on these dates are up for annual competitions.

The Men's Meet was held on January 24 with Roland Belhumeur winning both the downhill and slalom events.

On January 30 Miss Eileen Henry scored a double victory when she captured the ladies' downhill and slalom events.

On February 6 Alec Gillespie won the combined downhill and slalom race title in the junior competitions.

At our annual meet held on February 21, under the auspices of the C.A.S.A., Franz Hofer, Class A runner, racing for the St. Margaret's Ski Club, flashed down the short precipitous Ste. Agathe Downhill to win the event in the fast time of 33.2 seconds, which was only two seconds slower than the record which R. Belhumeur, Ste. Agathe Ski Club runner, set on the difficult course last year. R. Belhumeur took first honors in Class B when he raced down the course in 34 seconds. P. Pierrotti, H. Henry and G. Gillespie, our other Class B entrants, placed 4th, 5th and 6th respectively,

while in Class C, J. L. Belhumeur placed 4th and E. Harrison 8th.

In the Cross-country event Gault Gillespie, Class A racer, ran the course of approximately nine miles in the fast time of one hour eight minutes and 18.2 seconds to take the event and gain permanent possession of the Ste. Agathe Challenge Cup, for which he had been competing for the past six years.

Our Class C entrants, H. Henry and E. Harrison, finished 2nd and 3rd respectively.

Junior honors went to D. Jack, whose time of 36.5 seconds was faster than some Class B and C men competitors.

Eileen Henry captured the Ladies Downhill event which was run halfway below the usual starting point.

At the Laurentian Villages Ski League Meet held at St. Sauveur on February 20 our junior team placed second with a total of 183.1 points.

Following is the order in which our juniors finished: Downhill—Junior 12-14 years, G. Tourangeau 3rd and L. M. Cloutier 4th. Senior 15-18 years, A. Gillespie 2nd, D. Jack tied for 15th place. Slalom—Juniors, L. M. Cloutier 2nd and G. Tourangeau 3rd; Seniors, A. Gillespie 3rd, D. Jack 15th, S. Glen 23rd. Cross-country—Seniors, A. Gillespie 6th, S. Glen 18th.

At the Dominion Championships, held in Ottawa on February 27, Gault Gillespie racing against Canadian and foreign stars took 4th place in the cross-country event, just 14 seconds behind the winner.

The official season ended with the annual prize-giving and dance held in the Winter Club at the Laurentide Inn.

We were very fortunate in having the services of Henrik Reusch, ski instructor at the Laurentide Inn, who supervised the trail development program and to whom the president and directors offer their thanks.

We also wish to thank the various committees for their splendid co-operation in helping to make the 1937-38 season the success it was.

The executive for 1937-38 was as follows:—*Honorary Patrons*, Rev. Mgr. J. B. Bazinet, Rev. E. G. May, Messrs. H. Barrette, M.P.P., L. E. Parent, M.P., Mayor C. E. Forget and L. E. Stoner; *President*, C. J. Glen; *1st Vice-President*, J. L. Daze; *2nd Vice-President*, J. L. Belhumeur; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Roland Raymond; *Publicity Chairman*, N. Cowen. *Directors*, T. Gillespie, Y. Forget, T. Lacasse, A. Murchison.

St. Jovite Ski Club

THE 1937-38 season, the fifth of our organization, was one of progress.

Our citizens answered our enlistment appeal in a most commendable manner, whilst our membership from out of town shows a decided increase; our membership is extended to England, Germany and the United States.

A great deal of our efforts were directed again to the development of our terrain, as the territory covered by our Club is extensive. Much has been done but much remains to be done. During the season our programme of development was centered around the town of St. Jovite proper; we opened approximately five miles of trails in a southwest direction, connecting them with the Gray Rocks Inn network of trails and also to the "Maple Leaf" trail.

The season under review was one of the most ideal from the standpoint of skiing, weather and snow conditions. Only one complaint perhaps could be registered and that, the abrupt termination of skiing at the beginning of March, but until that time not a major break had occurred throughout the entire season.

Competitions which are the most important stimulus to ski clubs were numerous and varied. Every Saturday during the early part of the winter the youngsters had preparatory races to the major events of the year, while occasional events were held for the older members of the Club.