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must put our National Association on a much sounder financial footing than we are at the present time. Unlike hockey or football, we can never look for too much revenue from a gate. Therefore, we must devise other sources.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere thanks to our President, Mr. Fred Hall, and his wife for their splendid co-operation and assistance. It has, indeed, been a pleasure to work with them. I feel that Mrs. Hall, in particular, deserves a vote of thanks, as night after night she burned the midnight oil typing, etc., helping in no small way to carry out the affairs of the Association.

### Minutes of the Annual Meeting

(Western Section) held at

Revelstoke, B.C., February 10, 1939

1. The Meeting opened at 7.45 p.m. with Mr. Kennington Hague, 1st Western Vice-President in the Chair, with about fifty-three present. Frank Burton of Revelstoke acted as Secretary.

2. The Credential Committee of Jack Hutchinson and Alan Carscallen reported the following clubs and their accredited representatives:—J. R. Patenaude, *Voyageurs*; W. Frost, N. Nelsen, *Kamloops*; E. Anderson, H. Gordon, *Princeton*; H. Davidson, *Vancouver Winter Sports Club*; Clem Russell, Tess Murdy, *Hollyburn Pacific*; George Garrish, Henry Sotvedt, *Vancouver*; Lindsay Loutet, *Fuji*; N. Knight, *Kicking Horse*; A. Hogan, *Camrose*; V. Stevens, *Pioneer Amateur*; Glynn Jones, *Northland*; A. E. Irwin, *Amber*; W. Boston, *Capilano*; Ed. Bernard, *Mount Seymour*; N. F. Nelson, *Blue River*; Alan Carscallen, *Eskimo*; N. Leed, *Copper Mountain*; J. Morrison, *Ski Runners of the Canadian Rockies*; E. Feuz, *Golden*; Bob Johnson, *Lake Louise*; Davis, Rae, Vajda, *Tyee Ski Runners*; Rutherford, Wells, *Revelstoke*; O. Scrobe, *Kimberley*; P. Olineck, *Edmonton*; N. Woods, *Grouse Mountain*; Alf. Johannsen, *Nelson*; M. Pogue, *University of British Columbia*; K. Hegseth, *Wells*; H. Armstrong, *Calgary*; T. Swain, *Canmore*.

3. The Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as having been read on motion of Bill Rae, seconded by Hamish Davidson.

4. A message from the President, Mr. Fred A. Hall, was read to the Meeting by K. Hague in which the President stressed the necessity of the Executive of the C.A.S.A. keeping up with the rapid advancement of the sport in Canada and of race officials becoming competent to handle the growing importance of major competitions. Moved by Lindsay Loutet, seconded by A. Carscallen that a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. Hall for his enthusiastic message which was much appreciated by the meeting.

5. The Western Vice-President then read a short report in which he reminded the meeting that Mr. John Southam had been elected to the office of Western Vice-President but was forced to resign and expressed the hope that ski-ing in Canada would before long again have the benefit of his ability and enthusiasm. Mr. Hague reported that ski-ing was advancing in Western Canada and welcomed the following new clubs:—Kicking Horse, Kamloops, Golden, and Red Deer Ski Clubs and also Northland Ski Club. In addition, the following two clubs have rejoined the Association:—Trail and Rossland Ski Clubs. He reported that there are thirty-three members in good standing and that the Kootenay Zone is now organized under the Chairmanship of Danny McKay and it was hoped that a Zone Committee would be formed in Northern British Columbia. He also stressed the necessity of executives and officials keeping pace with the rapid strides that the sport has recently made, also the importance of proper instruction and the encouragement of Juniors. Although accidents in ski-ing cannot be eliminated, hope was expressed that the excellent work carried out by Ski Guards in

this respect would be continued with even more enthusiasm. It was noted that the relations between the West and the East continue to be on a most friendly basis, which state of affairs also exists between the office of the Western Vice-President and the Executive of the Pacific North Western Ski Association. It was mentioned that when Canadians compete in other countries the responsibility of good conduct is of paramount importance. He expressed thanks to all those who helped carry on the work of the office of the Western Vice-President.

Mr. Loutet moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Hague for his splendid work which was seconded by Mr. Carscallen and unanimously carried.

6. Mr. Lindsay Loutet, the Treasurer, commented briefly upon the Financial Report of the Western Section. This report was adopted on the motion of G. Garish, seconded by B. Boston.

7. Mr. Jack Hutchinson, Chairman of the Zone Committee, commented briefly on Safety First methods now being practiced in Vancouver by the Ski Guards in conjunction with the St. John Ambulance Brigade. A motion picture library had been started and progress is being made. He welcomed the new clubs of the Zone and suggested that the time might be opportune to form a Central British Columbia Zone to comprise some of the clubs which are now members of the Vancouver Zone.

8. Mr. Alan Carscallen, Chairman of the Rocky Mountain Zone reported that there are nine clubs now in the Zone including three new members. He mentioned the formation of a Snowcraft Committee, the object of which was to render ski-ing safer in the mountains. He also expressed his personal appreciation of the work done by K. Hague, and also complimented Revelstoke on the Tournament organization.

9. Mr. J. R. Patenaude of the Voyageur Ski Club reported briefly for the Northern Alberta Zone. He said that this Zone now had a membership of four clubs but it was expected that before long the number of member clubs would be doubled. Also, he advised, ski instruction was being given to some 400 juniors, which was proving very popular.

10. Mr. Fred Hudson, the Western Vice-Chairman of the Technical Board, submitted his report, mentioning the various important Tournaments which had taken place and also that score cards had been printed for all four events and were available to all Western member clubs.

11. Formal approval was given by the meeting of the admission of the following new clubs into the Association:—Kicking Horse, Red Deer, Golden, and Northland Ski Clubs. Also the rejoining of Rosslund and Trail Ski Clubs.

12. *Election of Officers—*

*President*—Mr. Hall, nominated by Hamish Davidson, seconded by Vic Stevens. Moved by Mr. Russel, seconded by Miss Tess Murby that nominations be closed and Mr. Fred A. Hall declared elected.

*1st Vice-President*—Jack Hutchinson, nominated by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Stevens. Alan Carscallen, nominated by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Loutet. (Mr. Hague declined nomination for this office). Moved by Mr. Russell, seconded by Bill Boston that nominations close. Mr. Carscallen was declared elected.

*2nd Vice-President and 3rd Vice-President*—Jack Hutchinson, nominated by Mr. Loutet, seconded by Mr. Boston. A. Johannsen, nominated by Mr. Garrish, seconded by Mr. Sotvedt. K. Hague, nominated by Tess Murby, seconded by Mr. Wood. Moved by Mr. Loutet, seconded by Mr. Pogue that vote be taken for 2nd and 3rd Vice-Presidents on the one ballot. Moved by Bill Rae, seconded by L. Loutet that nominations be closed and K. Hague was elected 2nd Vice-President; Jack Hutchinson, 3rd Vice-President.

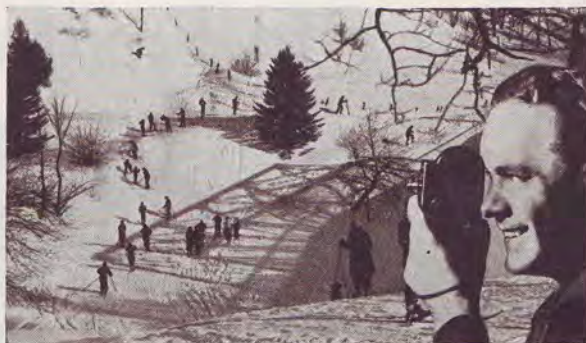
*Chairman of the Technical Board*—Mr. Sigurd Lockeberg, unanimously elected.

*Western Chairman, Technical Board*—Mr. Fred Hudson, unanimously elected.

*Committees—Western Tournament Committee*—A. Carscallen, Western Vice-President, as Chairman ex-officio; Fred Hudson, Western Vice-Chairman,

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Technical Board; 3rd member to be elected. Lindsay Loutet nominated E. Anderson, seconded by Glynn Jones; K. Hague nominated Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Rae. Moved by Mr. Russel and seconded by Lew Davis that nominations be closed. Mr. Loutet was elected.

13. *Unfinished Business*—Mr. Nels Nelsen brought up the disqualification of Tom Mobraaten at last year's Dominion Championships. Mr. Hague explained that an official reply was received from the East which was transmitted to the Chairman of the Vancouver Zone and the matter now rested at that stage. Mr. Garrish of Vancouver Ski Club, after several remarks, suggested that the Western Vice-President should have taken a stronger stand in the matter. Mr. Garrish was invited by the Chair to state exactly what was meant by his remarks which seemed to have been designed to cast a reflection on the actions of the Western Vice-President's office in this respect. Mr. Loutet brought up the subject and explained that this whole matter concerned principally Mobraaten's club and the Vancouver Zone, and that no particular stand could have been taken by the Western Vice-President without unanimous request from all the Western Zones. On motion of Mr. Loutet, seconded by Mr. Russell, a vote of confidence was taken, endorsing the action taken by the Western Vice-President.

Mr. Loutet brought up the subject of Accident Insurance for Competitors. He stated that nothing had apparently been done by the C.A.S.A. and pointed out that the National Ski Association of America had taken some steps in this direction. Moved by Mr. Loutet, seconded by Mr. Bill Rae, that this subject again be brought to the attention of the Eastern Executive of the C.A.S.A.

14. *New Business*—Moved by Mr. Carscallen, seconded by Mr. Loutet, that the Western Vice-

President investigate the advisability of the formation of a Zone in Central British Columbia. It was suggested that the best way to take this matter up was by correspondence.

The question of Junior Competition was brought up by Mr. Jim Morrison and it was pointed out by Mr. Peter Vadja that in many of the larger European Tournaments, regular events for Juniors were held in conjunction with those for Seniors. Mr. Hague said he believed that it would not be long before our organization would be capable of handling Junior Events in conjunction with Senior Competition. Moved by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mr. Vadja, that this question of feasibility of holding Junior Events in connection with the Dominion Championships be taken up with the Eastern Executive.

Mr. T. Swain of Canmore Ski Club mentioned that in the Year Book of the National Ski Association of America there are a number of maps showing ski trails, etc. in various parts of the country. He suggested that this might be a good idea to incorporate into the CANADIAN SKI YEAR BOOK. In this connection, Mr. Swain said he would communicate with the editor, Mr. H. P. Douglas.

Moved by Mr. Hutchinson, seconded by Mr. Loutet, that the Ladies' Dominion Championships be awarded to the same club or clubs as the Men's Downhill Championships, thus reducing expenses for travelling and encouraging better representation.

The question of the possible division of Canada into several divisions was brought up and, after some discussion, it was moved by Mr. Loutet, seconded by Mr. Pogue, that in the event that Canada is divided up into ski-ing divisions, the Eastern boundary of the Western Division be the boundary between Alberta and Saskatchewan.

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15. *Dominion Championships*—The 1940 Dominion Championships having been awarded to the West, the meeting was informed that there were bids in from the following four clubs:—Smithers, Princeton, Revelstoke, and Banff.

Extracts on the Dominion Championships were read from the Constitution and also from a letter received from Mr. Fred A. Hall outlining the requirements and qualifications necessary before these events could be awarded.

Each club representative was permitted to give a brief outline of his club's qualifications and, there being no representative from Smithers, the Chair read a letter from this club. The result of the voting was Banff, 41; Princeton, 17; Revelstoke, 1.

16. *Provincial Championships*—

*British Columbia*—Application from Kamloops for the four events. Provisionally awarded, subject to approval of the Western Vice-Chairman of the Technical Board.

*Alberta*—A bid for Jumping and Cross-Country was verbally submitted by J. R. Patenaude for the Edmonton Ski Club and this was provisionally awarded, subject to confirmation by correspondence.

These awards, provisionally made, were approved on motion of Mr. Boston, seconded by Mr. Bill Rae.

17. *Adjournment*—The meeting adjourned at 11.30 p.m.

**Report of the Western Vice-Chairman, Technical Ski Board**

The 1937-38 season of ski-ing in Western Canada has shown a greater number of skiers entering the competitive field.

In the Alberta section of Western Canada there were four major tournaments, including the Women's Dominion Downhill and Slalom Championships. The Rocky Mountain Ski Zone Championships were held at Banff on January 9, 16, 23 and 30. In the Downhill and Slalom events, large entries prevailed and keen competition is shown from the results in the senior men's and women's classes which are too long to give in detail. Exceptionally good results are shown in the junior classes which are run off on the same courses. Due to lack of interest, no senior jumping events were held.

The Alberta Provincial Championships, Cross-Country and Jumping were held at Edmonton and sponsored by the Edmonton Ski Club, February 19 and 20. At this meet, thirty jumpers took part in A and B Classes, although the Cross-Country had only four entries.

As the results of the Alberta Provincial Championships, Downhill and Slalom held at Lake Louise, March 26 and 27 are not available, no report can be made.

In the British Columbia Section of Western Canada, three major open tournaments were held.

The Wells Ski Club held the Northern British Columbia Ski Championships very successfully on March 4 and 5, which Meet was participated in by a considerable number of entrants who took part in all four events.

At Princeton, B.C., the Princeton Ski Club were hosts to Western Canada in holding the Western Canadian Championships, four events, February 4, 5 and 6. In the Cross-Country and Jumping, A and B Classes, a very large entry predominated. In the Downhill and Slalom events, over fifty competitors took part in the Men's Senior events and twenty in the Ladies' Senior Downhill and Slalom events.

Gertie Wepsala gave perfect performances in winning the Western Canadian Women's Combined events, Downhill and Slalom, and went further to win the Dominion Ladies' Championships, Downhill and Slalom. Tom Mobraaten of Princeton Ski Club won both the Cross-Country and Jumping events, placing first in the Downhill and third in the Slalom but winning the Combined.

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The Vancouver Ski Zone Championships were held on Hollyburn Mountain on Easter Weekend at which an exceedingly large entry of fifty competitors in A, B, C and Junior Cross-Country and Jumping events and over one hundred competitors took part in the Men's, Women's and Junior events in the Downhill race under very miserable conditions. Due to poor snow conditions and a rain storm, the Slalom Race was cancelled.

**Score Cards**—Through the co-operation of the President of the Canadian Amateur Ski Association, score cards were printed for all four events and were made available to all Western clubs.

**Amateur Status**—It became the duty of this office during the past year to indefinitely suspend a member skier of the C.A.S.A., for a breach of the rules of the amateur status. This suspension should be given considerable attention by all representative members, at this meeting to bring to the attention of their respective executives the necessity of adhering to the amateur rules of the C.A.S.A.

#### Report of Western Vice-President

No doubt, you are all aware that Mr. John Southam was elected to the office I now hold. Ski-ing in Western Canada suffered a blow when he was forced to resign. He is still a young man, so let us hope that he will be able, in the near future, to once more lend his energy and ability towards the benefit of ski-ing in Canada.

It is a pleasure to report that ski-ing is advancing on all Western Fronts. We welcome to the C.A.S.A. the following new members:—Trail, Kicking Horse, Kamloops, Red Deer and Golden Ski Clubs. The Kootenay Zone is now organized under the Chairmanship of Danny McKay of Nelson and in Northern British Columbia, strides are being made to form a strong Zone Committee and we hope that this will soon be functioning smoothly, although at present the clubs in this area are still in unorganized territory.

Ski-ing in Western Canada has taken on a different complexion from that which it had a few years ago. Our problems change with changing conditions and this means that the management of organized ski-ing must keep up with the times. The days are gone when tournaments of any importance run themselves. We need executives who are familiar with the Constitution, and Race Officials who know the racing rules. The Dominion Championships will be held in the West in 1940 and, if expected events take place, we will have an opportunity in 1942 of seeing some of the finest European racers perform in Western Canada.

While on the subject of competitive ski-ing, I would like to stress the importance of proper instruction and the encouragement of juniors. It has been most interesting to note the recent improvement in the Downhill ski-ing of some of our younger competitors due to the introduction of European technique.

However, in our enthusiasm of looking ahead to greater accomplishments, we must not blind our eyes to present deficiencies. One of these which merits our constant attention is the prevention of accidents. They cannot be absolutely eliminated but they can be reduced by continual warning and proper instruction. The work of all those who so unselfishly devote time to first-aid work in ski-ing accidents is to be highly commended.

Coupled with accident prevention is the advisability of proper supervision on overcrowded hills. While our ski guards should be praised for the very commendable work they are doing, there is still room for improvement in this particular situation in Vancouver.

I am most happy to say that the relations of this Western Section and the headquarters of the C.A.S.A., or the President's office, continue to be on a most friendly basis; and the President, Mr. Fred Hall, is always ready to give Western suggestions every consideration. This same happy state of affairs also exists between this office of the Western Vice-President and our good friends on the south side of the border, the

Pacific Northwestern Ski Association. It is a pleasure to work in close co-operation with its president, Mr. Peter Hostmark. Members clubs of the P.N.S.A. for many years have extended their hospitality to our competitors who look forward each year to "competing across the Line." In this connection I do not consider it would be out of place to mention that, although our competitors do not officially represent Canada, they are nevertheless Canadians and looked upon by their hosts as representatives of another country and all their actions are regarded in that light. Therefore, when a Canadian skier competes across the Line, the responsibility of good conduct is extremely important.

I must not end this brief report without expressing thanks to all those who have helped to carry out the office of the Western Vice-President, especially, Lindsay Loutet, our Treasurer, Jack Hutchinson, Alan Carscallen, Danny McKay and George Harris—my deep appreciation to the young ladies, without whose voluntary assistance it would have been impossible for me to carry on the correspondence of this office.



**Canadian Amateur Ski Association**

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31st October, 1938

**RECEIPTS**

CLUB DUES:—		
Current.....	\$840.00	
Arrears.....	25.00	
In Arrears (1938-1939).....	5.00	
		\$ 870.00
DOMINION CHAMPIONSHIP.....		325.85
OTHER RECEIPTS:—		
FIS Rule Books.....	\$ 9.00	
Test Badges.....	5.00	
Bank Interest, etc.....	8.19	
		22.19
		\$1,218.04
BALANCE ON HAND AND IN BANK AS AT 31ST OCTOBER, 1937.....		748.31
		<u>\$1,966.35</u>

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Zone Rebates.....	\$ 272.50	
Rebates of Western Zones not functioning (retained by Western Office of the Canadian Amateur Ski Association).....	30.00	
Crests and Medals.....	180.51	
Travelling Expenses.....	91.55	
Expense Advances to President.....	20.00	
FIS Fees and Rule Books.....	138.57	
Printing, Postage and Stationery.....	261.77	
Telephone and Telegraph.....	22.57	
Audit and Accounting Fees.....	20.00	
Exchange.....	6.20	
		\$1,043.67
Purchase of Typewriters.....	110.00	
Accounts Payable re 1936-1937 Season.....	190.15	
		1,343.82
BALANCE AS AT 31ST OCTOBER, 1938:—		
On Hand and in Bank.....	\$ 565.03	
Retained by Western Vice-President.....	25.00	
Balance of 1937-1938 Western Club Dues retained in Western Office.....	32.50	
		622.53
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