



Mt. Mansfield **SKI CLUB**

NEWSLETTER NUMBER TWO

LITTLE SPRUCE, STOWE, VERMONT

Dear Club Members:

Here is the second club newsletter that we promised you and, hopefully, we will have an improved and more attractive format and more interesting contents for the January newsletter. Before you go any further, would you please note the reservation sheet for the Fall Dinner-Dance on the back page. Entertainment Co-Chairmen Helen Wilhelm and Phyllis Bell have arranged what promises to be an excellent dinner meeting and a fine four-piece band for your dancing pleasure. Reservations are necessary and we ask you to immediately tear off the slip on the back of the newsletter and send to Paul Biederman, Club Secretary.

Your directors held their third meeting of the 1971-72 season at the Trapp Family Lodge in Stowe on the evening of October 22, 1971. Frank Springer-Miller's membership report was, once again, extremely encouraging, indicating an approximate 20% increase in membership over the same date in 1970. Frank is working on a cover page that he would like to use on the next MMSC Newsletter and both Frank and President Black are working with Trowbridge Elliman to develop picture pages from the Stowe Reporter, to be included with the next newsletter.

President Black, Director Kerr Sparks and Executive Secretary Paul Biederman attended the USEASA Fall Forum in Waterville Valley. It was an excellent opportunity for these directors of your club to meet and get to know the officers and directors of Eastern. The main issue of discussion concerning races was that the various clubs and Eastern must cooperate more with the ski area operators if they expect the areas to hold major races in the East. Your club assured Eastern that it would continue to have a close liaison with Eastern and that we would, once again, consider becoming a true 100% Eastern Club. We would appreciate

comments in regard to this from any of the members.

Guests at the Board of Directors' meeting were Johannes and Lynn Von Trapp of Stowe. Johannes Von Trapp was elected to the vacant 15th spot on the Board of Directors of the Mt. Mansfield Ski Club. We think you will be very interested to know that Johannes Von Trapp is presently organizing the Stowe Cross-Country Ski Club. This club has been in informal existence for the past three years and has used, at no cost, the trails on the Trapp Family Lodge property. This year the Trapp Family Lodge is building a cabin approximately 6 miles from the Lodge and has veastly increased the trail system and maintenance of existing trails. Therefore, the Stowe Cross-Country Ski Club will have dues of \$3 for single membership and \$5 for family membership. Cross country skiing is a very interesting and pleasant sport and we hope the relationship between Johannes' Cross-Country Ski Club and Mt. Mansfield Ski Club will be a very pleasant and productive one in the years to come.

We are extremely happy with the tremendous turnout of Juniors for the dry land training program which is being coached by Lou Dworshak. We have over 75 junior members actively participating in the dry land training program. Lou has related all of the exercises to maneuvers involved in slalom racing. For example, a push-up is now referred to as a "race starter". All of the children were tested for strength at the beginning of the program and a personal physical fitness schedule of exercises was designed for each child. They are being tested every two weeks again for strength and their personal program is being increased as their physical fitness increases. Head Junior Coach, Peter Ruschp, will arrive in Stowe from Austria on November 18th. He will be followed by a new Austrian instructor named Klaus Heidler, as well as Bernd Hecher. Heidler is an Austrian certified race coach and won all the professional races in Austria in 1971.

As this is being written, Mt. Mansfield has approximately 8 to 10 inches of snow at the top of the mountain and we may be going into on-the-snow training in the very near future. Snowmaking operations at Little Spruce are scheduled to begin as soon as daytime temperatures continue to remain below freezing.

On October 16th the club, together with the National Ski Patrol and the Professional Ski Patrol Association, sponsored an 8-hour first-aid refresher course conducted by members of the University of Vermont Medical School. This was coordinated and led by Lanou Hudson. Would you believe that this refresher course was attended by 186 patrol people, some of them coming from as far as Richmond, Virginia? Its purpose was to up-date our emergency medical procedures to correspond with changing medical treatments.

On October 17th the participants in the refresher course met at Bolton Rocks. Sergeant Gordon Dewey and members of the Norwich University rescue team conducted a down-mountain evacuation course. This was an "on-the-job" training course in which they all learned how to use and rig rope and rescue equipment. All the patrol people who took part in this 2-day refresher are better qualified for their patrol work because of it. Our thanks to the doctors and to Sergeant Dewey and his team from Norwich and to our own Lanou Hudson for making this refresher course such a success. President Black and Executive Secretary Biederman have met with Sepp Ruschp and Henry Simoneau and permission has been given to the club to use the entire downstairs area of the clubhouse. This will enable us to have more room for waxing, ski storage, lunch area and locker space for the junior team. The older junior members will be asked to repaint this area under the supervision of Darwin Moriarty and various cooperating parents. It is our feeling that if the youngsters participate in making their clubhouse more attractive it will be kept in far better condition.

Below, please find a copy of the finalized 1971-72 winter season race schedule for your information.

In closing, may we once again remind you to send in your reservations for the fall meeting and dinner-dance now.

1971 - 1972 Winter Season

- January 15 Stowe, Junior Slalom I & II Northern Qualifying Race
- January 16 Starr Trophy Class "A" Competition
- March 18 & 19 U.S.E.A.S.A. Jr. III & IV Championships
- March 25 M.M.S.C. Championships
- March 26 Stowe Public School Championships
- April 2 Easter Parade Costume Contest Prizes
Stowe High School Band
- April 3 Smugglers Bowl Team Championships
- April 15 & 16 33rd Annual Sugar Slalom All Classes
- LITTLE SPRUCE GIANT SLALOM Every Wed. Starting Jan. 5th
- SMUGGLERS BOWL TEAM RACES Every Monday Starting Jan. 3rd

A N N U A L F A L L M E E T I N G

November 27th, 1971

Meeting 6:00 P.M. Cocktails 6:30 P.M.
Dinner 8:00 P. M. Dancing 9:00 P.M. Till

TOWN & COUNTRY MOTOR LODGE, STOWE, VERMONT

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR _____ FOR THE M.M.S.C. ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER DANCE

Name _____

Reservations necessary, prepayment appreciated to:

Mt. Mansfield Ski Club
R.R. #1
Stowe, Vermont 05672
Phone: 802-253-4141

\$15.00 per Couple - \$8.00 Single Includes Dinner & 2 Drinks