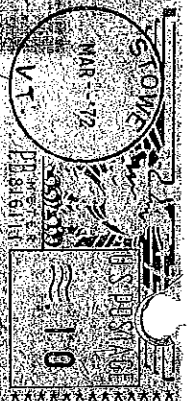


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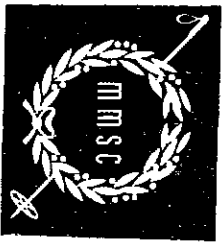
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Recap of Jr. Racing Season

If one were to review this season's racing scene and look at the statistics, the MMSC Junior Racing Program would shine indeed in the numbers of young racers who qualified again and again in the increasingly tough competitions at all levels of racing. There is no doubt that MMSC had depth and that the toughest competition for most of the MMSC juniors were their own teammates, especially for the 13-year and under groups. The older group found they didn't have to go farther than Vt. itself to find their equals as more and more top racers from all the East have come to Vermont special racing schools and have made the Vt. Championships about as competitive as the Eastern Championships.

But MMSC had its stars who won their way to top International, National and Eastern Competitions: Ronnie Biedermann and Greg Bartlett are members of the National Talent Squad and are on the Cam-Am Circuit; Lyndall Heyer is National Junior Slalom Champion; and Jeff Stone

season but had blinding trouble at the eleventh hour of the final championships; and 12 yr. old Fraser Buchmann who showed her heels to the rest of the field with a 2nd and 4th at the III & IV Eastern Championships to serve notice that she is the one to contend with in the future. These were the cream of the crop this year, but with so many teammates close on their heels, who knows what next year will bring.

To watch these aspiring young hot dogs develop by leaps and bounds makes your eyes goggle. There were several "Hopeful" races this season with surrounding areas and MMSC juniors always dominated the scene conceding only one or two of the winning places, and dividing the rest among themselves trading off top honors.

'Smugglers Cup' Race Series Called Overwhelming Success

by Gar Anderson
It would be most difficult to find a local event that exceeded the overall enthusiasm of the weekly 'Smugglers Cup' races. Also known as the "Monday" races,

Smuggler's Cup Banquet hosted by the Rusty Nail. A full spaghetti dinner is prepared in smorgasbord fashion complete with tossed salad, garlic bread and wine. Last year's banquet was

Program Director and Head Coach Peter Ruscip led an inspired group of young racers and staff this season, and next year can't help but be more fun than ever.



Young "Hopeful" Kimberly Adams waxes her skis prior to MMSC Championships last Saturday. Complete results and additional

made it so close to the final top events it hurt because the talent was there but the luck wasn't. Nonetheless, very impressive racing seasons were run by: Billy Rathbone who in spite of "mono" won several big races and showed well at the Jr. Nationals; Todd Buick who took an 8th in the Jr. National Downhill; young Proctor Reid who made his way through tough competition as far as the I & II Eastern Championships; Ricky Dworshak who was one of the top all through the III & IV racing

Sugar Slalom Yet to come

The 33rd Annual Sugar Slalom will be held on April 15-16; the biggest, most fun race of the year, in glorious, sunny, spring skiing conditions. We expect about 600 entries. Come and join us as a racer or spectator.

Once again Bill Barbour and the famous Mt. Mansfield sap bodlers will be there operating their genuine old fashioned Vermont maple sugar shack on the Nose Dive trail on Sunday, Apr. 16. Contestants and spectators are invited to enjoy sugar on snow and homemade doughnuts and pickles--delicious.

This race is open to all racers who hold current USEASA classification cards. Entries should be made out to: Race Chairman, Mt. Mansfield Ski Club, RR #1, Stowe, Vermont 05672. The entry fee is \$6.00. Following the race, a MMSC club dance for contestants and club members will be held at 7:30 p.m. at Spruce House. More information appears elsewhere on this page.

means of competition for local "ski bums," a term used very loosely to include everyone from the lodge owner and businessman to the bartenders and waitresses who serve as his employees. A huge sterling silver bowl was donated by Henry Simoneau thus giving the races their official title and sanction. This bowl is presented weekly to the winning team which may keep it for one week before passing it on to the next winner. Weekly presentations are held every Monday evening at Sister Kates. Host Rock King officially announces the winning team, presents them with a complimentary bottle of champagne, and clicks a Stowe Reporter family portrait under the onlooking eyes of Miss Sister Kate herself.

The growth of the program has been nothing short of outstanding. Formal rules, handicaps which are computed weekly, and a championship race at the end of the year are only some of the recent innovations. Every effort is made to keep these amateur races interesting and fun for all who compete. I think any of the 244 racers who represented some 35 teams in 13 races this season would agree.

As the 1971-72 season draws to an end, all eyes are pointed toward Tuesday's championship race. The top 15 teams' competition on the best seven finishes have been invited to compete. The race will consist of a two run giant slalom and will be scored on the F.I.S. tables and adjusted by the individual's season handicap. Every championship racer must have competed in at least four of the season's races to qualify as a member of the team. The entire day turns into a local festival as competitors and spectators alike join in the fun.

The finale of the season follows later that evening at the Annual

banquet will be catered by Steen Nelson and The Shed. The banquet starts at 9 p.m. and dinner is served until 11. Dining will be family style with special dinner and folk music presented by "The Wind." At 11 p.m. the floor is given over to Rock King who will serve as M.C. for the evening presenting the awards to the championship teams. After the awards have been completed, "The Wind" will take over again and provide entertainment and dancing until 2 a.m.

All in all the overwhelming success of the Smuggler's Cup program can be attributed to the cooperation of the MMSC, the Mt. Mansfield Co., and the many lodge owners and businessmen who have donated the long hours needed to make the program the enthusiastic success it is.

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President's Message

by Charles F. Black

For some time, the Mt. Mansfield Ski Club Directors have been concerned with the untimeliness of your receipt of the information in our news letter. So why not experiment and try different ways of sending you our message. This week all MMSC Members are receiving a copy of the Stowe Reporter as our newsletter, with this special page of ski club news. We know that many of our members do not subscribe to the

Stowe Reporter and recommend that you get a subscription, as most of our race coverage is carried in the Reporter on a weekly basis.

Some of your club directors think that you might enjoy receiving a Stowe Reporter with a ski club page from time to time. If you do enjoy this and wish to have the idea continued please let us know at the ski club.

Square, Round & Rock Music Set for Sugar Slalom Dance

Your wonderful Entertainment Committee that brought you the super successful Thanksgiving Dinner Dance is planning another social event.

On April 15th from 7-10 p.m. we are planning a Sugar Slalom Dance. This will be open to MMSC members and Sugar Slalom competitors and will feature 2 areas of entertainment.

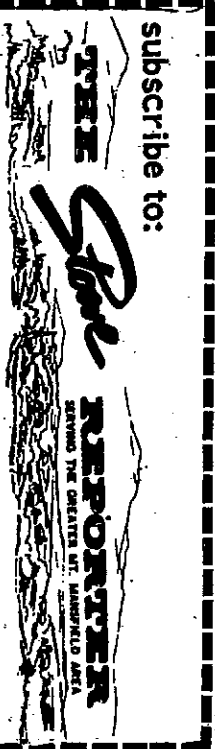
For the under 18 set there will be a Square, Round and Rock dancing in Spruce House. We

hope to have Jed Proulx as Caller and Disc Jockey. There will be a snack and soda stand in the cafeteria.

For the over 18 crowd the Stuberl will be open with Horst Thompke at the piano (we hoped) The bar will be open and selected goodies will be served.

As you can see, arrangements are still a bit tentative, and therefore, we tentatively promise you a great, but not deafening, evening.

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