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EDITOR SEZ:

*Skiing has purpose and meaning—far beyond the momentary thrill of that powdery plunge down Nosedive—but in terms of the physical and mental well being it engenders; and fellowship, intimacy with nature, relaxation and release it provides. All this goes towards making healthier, happier citizens, thereby contributing to a better America. So there you see the socially important role of a recreation like skiing. Our club therefore has meaning and usefulness far, far beyond *skiing in itself*. — We are creating this Newsletter to give voice and collective expression to members and friends of MIRAMAR SKI CLUB on all phases of our sport's *meaning and purpose*.*

—ARTHUR BERGER

FLASH!—Miramar Picknickers Ski Bellayre

What started out innocuosly enough as a pre-season "picnic" on Sunday, Nov. 7th became the season first ski-trip when a small group led by Carl Glass and Walter Meierhoff tracked down a grapevine rumor to Bellayre and found 6 to 12 inches of beautiful white stuff. Carl was the only one in the group who had enough faith in the rumor to bring his skis. He had a real workout. The rest had to be satisfied with playing in it.

A decorative border surrounds the meeting announcement. It features a brick chimney on the left side of the roofline. The roof itself is a simple line drawing. The sides of the border are decorated with a vertical column of circular icons, each containing a different symbol. The bottom of the border is a solid black brick pattern.

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EYES TOWARD THE BEGINNERS

We all started as 'bunnies', yet once *over the hump* and in the echelon of *hot shot* many of us at times resent the presence of beginners on the slope. True, many a run has been spoiled by standees in the middle of the trail or by a yawning sitzmark in which you have caught an edge.—Yet the plight of the beginner and novice, without encouragement and aid is an ordeal that deserves recognition and attention for the good of the sport. With comradeship and active help from the better skiers, the "bunnys" make rapid progress and more new blood is added to the ranks of the club. An active club program depends on new active skiers coming in all the time. Better skiers are made, not born, and they are made out of the struggling neophytes on the "bunny" slope.

THE DOWNHILL BEAT

The Miramar matrimonial bureau has been in full operation . . . Our accordionist *John Tissavarry* and *Pearl* tied the knot in June and spent a short but active honeymoon in Canada. Included in their activities was water-skiing . . . *Maury* and *Selma Koblenz* met on the Washington's Birthday jaunt and became Mr. & Mrs. during the summer. They honeymooned at Cape Cod where they met many of our Miramaniacs . . . Prez *Gus Singer* and *Roy Waples* spent the summer at the Berkshire Country Club. Gus broke 90 on the golf links and Roy announced his engagement. The score card shows one birdie and one dead pigeon.—Roy is the new proprietor of the Mobilgas station at Rockaway and Linden in B'klyn and will welcome Miramar motorists . . . *Bea Anolik* is off to Wash., D.C., she's not in politics, she intends to work for a living . . . *Rhoda Luss* toured Europe for 2 months . . . *Gerry Salant*, Miramar '52, married a French national and is living in Paris, awaiting the arrival of a petite enfant. Even when skiing she preferred the French technique. Oo-la-la. . . *Jerry* and *Libby Fetik* are thinking of a name for a new addition they are expecting . . . Past prez *Artie Berger* spent an active summer teaching neophyte sailors the fine points of sailing . . . We have an inventor in our midst, *Gus Singer*, who sold Cubco a gimmick for their bindings.—Meet you on the slope, dope.

—BERNIE BRODWIN

INSURANCE

How often have you heard "Can I buy insurance to cover me for this trip only?" The answer is "Yes, but . . ." The "but" means that all the 3 day insurance policies we have seen contain some gimmick which crops up when you feel you have a just claim. Over the past four years we have investigated many of these three day policies and it is our objective opinion that the protection offered does not warrant our recommendation. There are, however, other policies which we do suggest.

Many leading insurance companies offer an accident policy which covers you for all accidents, skiing and otherwise, for one year costing about \$16. This policy pays hospital and surgical expenses from the moment of the accident, up to \$500. Furthermore, you are protected for any accident for 365 days instead of just while on a ski trip. Many Miramar skiers carry this type of insurance and at the next meeting will be glad to give you any details you may desire. None of us hope to collect any of these benefits but they sure come in handy when the need arises.

—JERRY KLEIN



PHOTO OF THE MONTH—Claire Topper, Edythe Prens and Sybel Sylvan, pause before taking off down Toll Road at Mount Mansfield.

—photo by GLORIA LEVENSOHN

PREZ SEZ:

The Vermont wooly bears say this winter will be old-fashioned, so Miramar should have an outstanding season . . . An improvement in the club's life would be more Buddy-skiing or group skiing—Skiing alone, like drinking alone is both anti-social and dangerous; while with a group it can be lots of fun and raise the calibre of everyone's performance through competition, emulation and the morale lift companions give the individual. Groups of active club skiers, showing good form, (or forms), mutual help and fellowship on the hill will be the best publicity our club can have to bring in the kind of members we are seeking.

—GUS SINGER

What's New In The Ski World

WINTER SPORT SHOW at Madison Square Garden, Nov. 20-28, feature displays of winter sport techniques, fashions resort facilities, transportation and equipment—Top stars will appear. Dick Button will skate and Stein Ericksen, Hannes Schneider and Fritz Loosli will ski on artificial snow.

JOHN JAY FILM SHOWING—"From Ski to Sea" will be shown Dec. 8 and 9 at Hunter College Auditorium—Proceeds for benefit of Olympic Ski Fund. Norse House is sponsoring. GOOD NEWS FROM STOWE—New double chair lift to summit of Spruce Peak will be in operation—cutting down waiting lines and serving magnificent new runs.

NEW MAJOR SKI AREA—Mount Snow located between Bennington and Brattleboro, Vermont; with two chair lifts—will be operating this season.

SKIMEISTER LEW'S CORNER—

Look at your skis *NOW!* Ready them for the first snows. First tighten all the screws and "steel wool" the rust spots off the edges. Next make sure the bottoms are completely covered with lacquer by touching up bare spots. If the wood is bare in large areas you will have to remove the old lacquer. For this you will need lacquer remover and a scraper. A liquid plastic application gives you a harder and more lasting finish good for 2 seasons. A coat of varnish on the tops of the skis also helps.—If all this is too much for you, then bring them down to the ski shop for an overhauling.

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