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NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTED

Our annual election of officers and members of the Executive Committee was held at the Y on April 17th. The elections were presided over by Jerry Klein who kept things moving in a swift and orderly fashion. The results speak well for the system of bringing new people forward to help run the affairs of the club as 5 of the 9 elected officials have never served before.

Following are the results:

President: Carl Glass

Vice President: Leo Greenfest

Treasurer: Phil Schorr

Adm. Sec'y: Mickey Safferman

Rec. Sec'y: Gloria Levenshon

Members at Large: Ben Leven, Dick Klein, Howard Baker

Membership Chairman: Harold Sussman

Board of Trustees: Jerry Sacks, Sam Spivak, Bernie Brodwin

Mascot: Lady

The club is fortunate in having had such industrious workers in the past and we are sure the group listed above will carry on the good work. They have already had one meeting and have scheduled another one for this summer to plan our program for next year. Congratulations to all of them.



Alex Ubersfeld pauses to admire the Alpine panorama before running down the Parsenne on his recent tour of Switzerland and Austria.

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RESUME OF 1957

Miramar can look back on the season of 1957 with a feeling of satisfaction in acquiring "the mostest of snowfun for the leastest of expense" despite a hungry season snowwise. Much of this was due to a zealous and hardworking staff.

We had 41 days of skiing and our trips were attended by a composite total of 745 members and their guests. Miramar's instruction program was underway long before the first snowfall with clinic sessions devoted to a review of our syllabus and bringing it up to date. During this period our breakdown of classes was devised and it was decided that the main direction was to be towards coordinating the instructional program with the uniform proficiency tests. We also began work in developing interest in slalom.

Our staff, rotated according to plan, gave up a total of 144½ hours to regularly organized instruction. This does not include the time given by the staff to uniform testing or conducting of slaloms.

High achievement of the season was the examining of 59 in four sets of proficiency tests. 22 passed the basic and 7 passed the standard test. Our club has now begun to develop skiers who look pretty good, indicating that the time has come for the developing of a moderate competitive program both within the club and interclub.

The staff has done excellently in administering the instruction and test programs in addition to the ever existing chores of the trip. On some weekends they have been way overworked indicating the need for new staffers. We cannot overemphasize, that to continue the high standards we have set, candidates must have a real inclination to serve, a love for teaching, and ability. Since we ran examinations for certifying our instructors two years in a row — 1955 & 1956, this season was devoted to bringing forth and training new people for our staff ranks. This year we have selected 5 of our more promising skiers to be trained for next season with the goal of adding to our list of certified instructors.

All of the areas we have skied this year — with the exception of Mt. Snow and Bromley — have been very cooperative with our staff in permitting and providing areas for club instruction. Stowe, Speculator and Sunapee have been especially considerate in this respect and therefore remain our favorite areas. The areas in Southern and Central Vermont object to club instruction being given on their hills.

There is great need for enlightening these areas on the important role played by Club certified amateur instructors in supplementing the work of professional ski schools. This is pointed up by the fact that during this season we purchased over 90 lesson tickets in the Stowe Ski School for our members. — We have sent letters to the ski areas, Chambers of Commerce and other interested parties in ski country relative to this problem, and we will be heard from in the Ski Council and at the Eastern Convention.

Our staff of 1957 consisted of the following:

Carl Glass, Lew Kerstein, Gus Singer, Arthur Berger, Walt Meierhof, Sam Spivak, Ben Leven, Leo Greenfest and George Lebolt — all certified amateur instructors. Staff members-in-training were Bernard Brodwin, Jerry Sacks, Mickey Safferman, Dick Klein and Harold Sussman.

INTERROGATING CORRESPONDENT or BEWARE TO WHOM YOU SPEAK

Wandering girl reporter at a recent meeting (assuming innocent expression):

Hi! What are your plans for the summer?

ANSWERS:

Claire Topper: "Trips to Tanglewood, West Hampton, Fire Island, Coney Island, Jones Beach and that sort of thing. You know."

Bernie Brodwin: "Lots of Tennis and Golf. I'll probably take a trip to Tanglewood and hope to try water skiing."

Harold Sussman: "I'm going to Havana to buy cigars."

Helene (& Leo) Greenfest: "We're spending the summer at Camp Starlight in Starlight, Pa. Leo will be head waterfront counselor and I'm going to be his assistant."

Bob Tucker: "Planning to take a two week motor scooter trip through Canada and try to stay alive and single."

Artie Berger: "This year I'm cutting down on teaching activities, but I'll still give some sailing lessons. Planning to do more sailing for sheer fun."

Jeanette Rockefeller: "Drive to California."

Max Schwartz: "Assuming my leg is capable, I'll be going down South to soak up the sun, skin dive and spear fish."

Howie Baker: "Grrr. . . ."

Pat Tuohey "No idea."

Howie Baker: ". . . . rrrrrrr."

Walter Meierhoff: "A little bit of everything — canoeing, hiking, some touring."

Cal Davis: Lots of sailing — looking for a good boat buy.

Siri Varco: "Plane Spotting; I just joined the Ground Observer Corps."

Jack Gerber: "I usually spend my summers in the Berkshires. Several of us take places up there — Gloria Levinson, Hal Sussman (who's going there to smoke the cigars he'll buy in Havana)"

Cathy Carmody: "No concrete plans yet, just hopes. And don't you dare print that!"

Ben Leven: "Cruise Nantucket Sound. Probably charter a 40 foot schooner."

Who me? Oh, some of everything. Canoeing, riding, hiking and climbing, but mostly my heart is with sailing. Oh yes, will probably suspend the "Danceallure" classes I've been teaching, but will resume early in the fall — in time to get all the girls in condition for a new season of active skiing. Say! where did everyone go? Hey, Lester, what are your plans for . . . Oh well, guess I have enough material for one column. Be seeing you.

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