

# 11th Annual Tournament of The Canadian Amateur Ski Association

This Championship event was held this year for the first time in the West at Revelstoke, B.C., on the 3rd and 4th of February. Ordinarily the Meet has been held at the close of the Eastern season, but snow conditions at Revelstoke made it imperative that the date be set back a month if the Meet was to be of any service in encouraging the sport in the West.

The change in date, however, resulted in there being no Eastern competitors, as the Eastern season was just beginning at that time, and presumably the Eastern men considered they could not do themselves justice.

The cross-country race, which was held on the 3rd of February, was, to some extent, disappointing, as the course was covered by the best runner in less than 58 minutes and could not have been more than seven or eight miles instead of eleven miles as announced. The rules provide for a race of not less than 9.32 miles, and the customary championship race is between ten and eleven miles. The race was won by H. Smejda, of the Vancouver Ski Club, in 57.25 minutes, followed by K. Engstad, of the Omineca Ski Club, in 58.27 minutes. Nils Jorstad, of the Norge Ski Club, Winnipeg, was third, in 59.19 minutes, and J. Nordmoe, of Camrose, combined champion and holder of the Sir Henry Thornton Cup, was seventh, in 1 hour 42 seconds. The following is the official score:

1. H. Smejda, Vancouver Ski Club .....	57.25
2. K. Engstad, Omineca Ski Club .....	58.27
3. N. Jorstad, Norge Ski Club ... <i>Winnipeg</i> .....	59.19
4. E. Maki, Revelstoke Ski Club .....	59.34
5. M. Kaldahl, Hollyburn Ski Club .....	59.56
6. P. Sandnes, Prince George Ski Club .....	1.00.19
7. J. Nordmoe, Mamrose Ski Club .....	1.00.42
8. R. Lymburne, Revelstoke Ski Club .....	1.01.06
9. H. Belsvik, Vancouver Ski Club .....	1.01.24
10. A. Sneis, Vancouver Ski Club .....	1.02.55
11. H. Gunnarson, Revelstoke Ski Club .....	1.04.29
12. F. Jakobson, Viking Ski Club .....	1.06.10
13. C. Lauritzen, Hollyburn Ski Club .....	1.08.19
14. N. Stone, Grouse Mountain Ski Club .....	1.15.53
15. R. Morris, Hollyburn Ski Club .....	1.15.30

The jumping competition was held the following day. It had been planned, of course, to use the famous big hill over which so

many long jumps have been made, but when the Judges in charge of the Meet examined the hill, they came to the conclusion that its condition at the time was unsafe for jumping. They, therefore, ordered that the competition be held on a smaller hill adjacent to the big one. There was considerable protest against this decision, not only by the officials and competitors of the Revelstoke Ski Club, but also by the crowd of spectators who were in attendance. However, all the competitors, including those from Revelstoke, eventually agreed to jump over the smaller hill and the competition proceeded. It was won by our old friend, J. Nordmoe, of Camrose, with two fine jumps of 150 and 145 feet respectively. Second and third places went to R. Lymburne and J. Gunnarson, of Revelstoke. Lymburne later on came East to jump in the Eastern Canadian Championship in Montreal, and his performance created a very excellent impression.

The following is the official score:—

1. J. Nordmoe, Camrose S. C. ....	150	145	148.50
2. R. Lymburne, Revelstoke S. C. ....	148	144	142.10
3. H. Gunnarson, Revelstoke S. C. ...	142	134	139.30
4. H. Smejda, Vancouver S. C. ....	139	133	134.60
5. H. Belsvik, Vancouver S. C. ....	140	135	129.50
6. C. Lauritzen, Hollyburn S. C. ....	123	127	127.00
7. K. Engstad, Omineca S. C. ....	116	117	121.40
8. G. Morgan, Revelstoke S. C. ....	123	128	120.80
9. N. Stone, Grouse Mountain S. C. ...	137	144x	87.10
10. N. Kaldahl, Hollyburn S. C. ....	144x	—	25.00
11. I. Engh, Vancouver S. C. ....	131x	—	20.00

## "COMBINED EVENT."

1. H. Smejda, Vancouver S. C. ..	160	134.60	294.60
2. J. Nordmoe, Camrose S. C. ....	143	148.50	291.50
3. R. Lymburne, Revelstoke S. C. ...	141	142.10	283.10
4. K. Engstad, Omineca S. C. ....	155	121.40	276.40
5. H. Belsvik, Vancouver S. C. ..	140	129.50	269.50
6. H. Gunnarson, Revelstoke S. C. .	125	139.30	264.30
7. C. Lauritzen, Hollyburn S. C. ..	108	127.00	235.00
8. N. Kaldahl, Hollyburn S. C. ....	147	25.00	172.00
9. N. Stone, Grouse Mountain S. C.	76	87.10	163.10

The Judges were S. R. Lockeberg and K. H. Crimsgaard.



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# "A Fortnight With the Downhill Experts"

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**D**URING Christmas week, 1929, from a window in my parents' house in Rockcliffe Park, Ontario, I watched a couple ski across the lawn and disappear among the trees in the direction of the great timber and steel scaffolding misnomered "the ski jump," I recognized Miss Diana Kingsmill, as accomplished a skier, male or female, as there is in Eastern Canada, but I could not place her companion—though I thought I knew by sight all the local skiers of high calibre. The next day, on a train going to Wakefield in the Gatineau Hills, I was introduced to Captain Alan H. d'Egville, alias "Deggers," and the mystery was solved.

If you have been wondering about my preamble, in view of the title, here is the explanation: A. H. d'Egville is one of the leaders of the famous group of British "downhill experts" who make their headquarters in Mürren, Switzerland, and it was as a result of meeting him that I went to Mürren, last winter, the world's headquarters of downhill ski-running and the Kandahar Ski Club. At Wakefield I watched Miss Kingsmill and d'Egville ski, asked a hundred questions about the "Spot of Spots" about which they were so enthusiastic and eloquent, and then and there resolved to go to Mürren some day at all costs. Now that I have been there I would advise everyone to make a similar wise resolve. I shall certainly go again as soon as it is possible for me to do so, for, speaking in terms of "the sport of sports,"—ski-ing,—the Bernese-Oberland is "God's Country."

