

Your

# Winter Carnival



Pittsfield, Mass.

## WINTER SPORTS COMMITTEE OFFICERS

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*Winter Sports Equipment Sale:* Mr. and Mrs. George F. Maynard,  
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*Carnival Queen Contest:* Mrs. Eleanore Wilde,  
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*City Speed Skating Championship:* Carl E. Peaslee  
*Sculpture Contest:* Donald R. Dallmeyer  
*Hockey Night:* Frank Blowe  
*Ice Fishing Derby:* Andrew Miller, James Frank  
*Winter Festival (Ice Carnival):* Mrs. David W. Caird  
*Berkshire Hills Outdoor Speed Skating Championships:*  
Sumner M. Gamwell, Carl E. Peaslee  
*Competitors Dinner:* Mrs. Erma Clark  
*Teen-Age Dance:* Patti Smith  
*City Ski Meet:* John J. Unwin, George "Doc" Maynard  
*Winter Carnival Square Dance:* Ed Hall  
*Sports Car Ice Trials:* Harry Barnes  
*Berkshire Interscholastic Ski Meet:* Jack O'Brien,  
Willard Bridgham  
The Committee  
*Snow Shoe Race:*  
*1st Annual Pittsfield Indoor Speed  
Skating Championships:* Carl E. Peaslee  
*Photography:* Ribello Sciarra  
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## IN COOPERATION WITH:

American Legion Auxiliary  
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Berkshire Hills Conference  
Berkshire Hills Figure Skating Club  
State Fish and Game Division  
Berkshire Motor Sports Club  
Mt. Greylock Ski Club  
Pittsfield School Department  
Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club  
Boys' Club

# WELCOME TO THE

## 21st Annual

# Winter



Pittsfield, Mass.

# Carnival

*Sponsored by*

**PITTSFIELD  
WINTER SPORTS COMMITTEE**

Under the Auspices of the

**PITTSFIELD  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**



## HISTORY and ACHIEVEMENTS

Over 20 years ago Jackson Perry, then the Superintendent of the Parks and Recreation Department for the City of Pittsfield, conceived a plan to enlist volunteer citizen support for a Winter Carnival. This is when the 'Winter Sports Committee' came into being.

Since 1945 many local people, interested in winter sports, have given their time, talent, and efforts in creating a program which has afforded pleasure and spectator interest to thousands of Pittsfield and Berkshire County residents. They also helped many young people to further their careers in winter sports through teaching, participation and financing.

Since 1950, our present Superintendent, Vincent J. Hebert, has carried on in the same manner, and in this 21st Annual Winter Carnival is reflected the experience of the years, including the services of many volunteers who were members of that first committee.

Among the events which have been staged for the benefit of the public have been such outstanding competitions as the U. S. Open, the Eastern Seaboard, and North American Speed Skating Championships; Olympic Speed Skating Trials; The National Junior Downhill Ski Championships; Parachute Free Falling and Dog Sledding.

Of intense area interest have been the City Ski and Outdoor and Indoor Speed Skating meets, run as proving grounds for beginning competitors; also the Berkshire Interscholastic Ski meet which annually attract entries from over a dozen Preparatory and High Schools.

On the material side, the Winter Sports Committee has made many financial contributions; such as, \$2200.00 to the Boys Club Building Fund (earmarked to be used towards an indoor skating rink), expenses of the Pittsfield High School Ski team in some of their leaner years; assisted the Parks Speed Skating Team and the Figure Skating Club; paid part of the personal expenses of skiers attending teaching schools and training sessions; donated to the Olympic and the Future Olympic Funds; purchased uniforms, skis, slalom poles, and portable ski tows for Clapp and Osceola Parks; assisted in sending three skaters from the

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**Winter Sports Chairman**  
*William F. Plouffe*



**Department of Parks and Recreation**

*L. to R.: Vincent J. Hebert, Superintendent; John C. Marchesi, Director of Recreation; Mrs. Carolyn M. Conroy, Recreation Supervisor; George F. Tansey, Sr., Park Foreman.*

## History and Achievements (cont.)

Northern New York Skating Association to Norway and Sweden for Olympic training; assisted in creating ski trails and jumps in the Pittsfield State Forest; and has kept abreast of winter sports trends through membership in the Western Massachusetts Ski Council and the Northern New York Speed Skating Association.

A sometimes overlooked side benefit of the Winter Sports Committee's program is the encouragement to beginning winter sports enthusiasts provided by the Winter Sports Equipment Sale. This event provides good, though used, equipment to youngsters who might not otherwise be able to obtain the "tools" for sports; and puts to good use equipment which has been outgrown or out-skilled. The sale also is a major factor in making the Winter Carnival financially possible.

Another major financial contribution to the Carnival comes from the efforts of the many young ladies who vie each year for the title of Winter Carnival Queen. These young ladies benefit too in an intangible way, although sometimes they don't realize it, in added poise, personality, and knowledge of human nature, as well as material plusses.

The present Winter Sports Committee, on behalf of themselves and Past Committees, thank the people of Pittsfield and surrounding communities, for their wonderful support over the past years.

They also hope that many more individuals will volunteer their services and that the public will continue its always generous support so that the Winter Carnival programs may be continued for many more years to come.

*The Committee*

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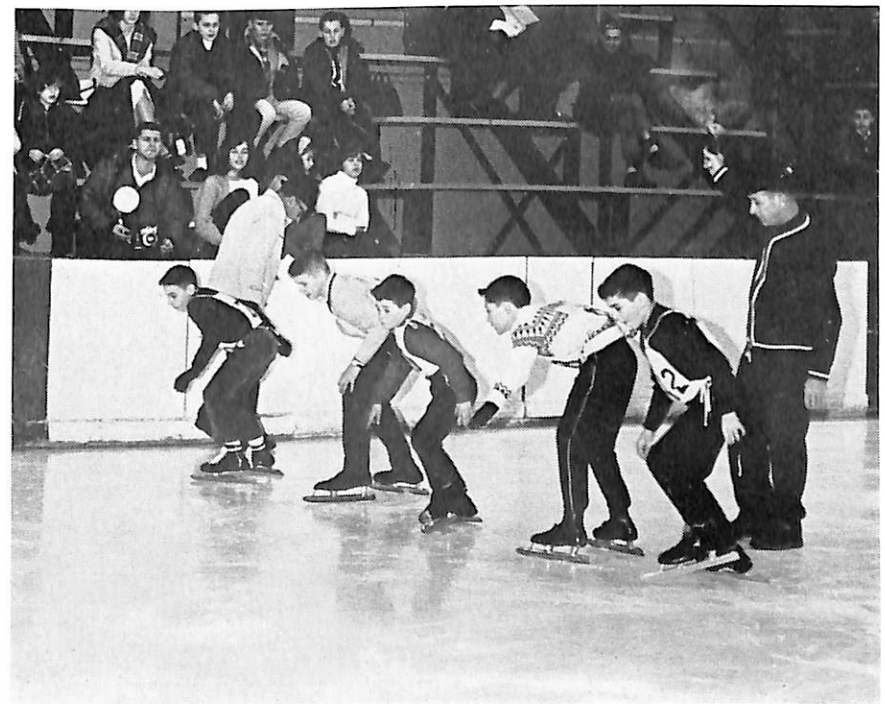
## WINTER SPORTS EQUIPMENT SALE



*Follow The Crowd . . .*

*Bargains Galore*

## CITY SPEED SKATING



*Our Future Champions*



1965 QUEEN AND HER COURT



*Our Queens*



20 YEARS OF QUEENS

OUR WINTER CARNIVAL QUEEN



*Miss Maureen Lowry*

## HOCKEY NIGHT



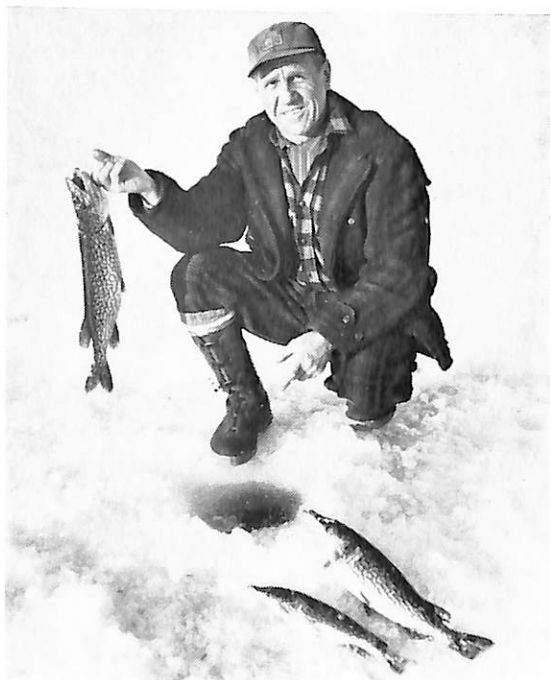
*Fast Action*

## WINTER FESTIVAL



*Grand Finale*

## ICE FISHING DERBY



*Ones That Didn't Get Away*

## BERKSHIRE HILLS OUTDOOR SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS



*Faster Than The Wind*

CITY SKI MEET



*Beginners Thrills*

WINTER CARNIVAL SQUARE DANCE



*Let's Do A Grand Sashay*

SPORTS CAR -- ICE TRIALS



*Burning Rubber*

BERKSHIRE INTERSCHOLASTIC SKI MEET



*Flying High*



## MANY THANKS : --

— to all the devoted volunteers of the Winter Sports Committee, my officers and advisory board, officials of the Park and Recreation Dept., and the many 'Queens' who have taken part to make our 21st Anniversary Year such a success.

May we continue to work happily together for many years to come; making every Winter Carnival program bigger and better.

Wm. F. Plouffe

*Chairman*

## A NOTE OF APPRECIATION

In keeping with the good news that there is now enough water in our reservoirs to make it possible to flood the City Skating Rinks again, the Department of Parks and Recreation is anxiously making plans for an attractive out-door winter sports program.

Skating rinks at Springside, Clapp, Common, Deming and West Memorial again will be maintained and supervised and every effort will be made to keep a 6 lap track available for speed skaters and others at Thomas Island Cove, Onota Lake.

Weather permitting, skiing, coasting and tobogganing will be available at Springside, Clapp and Osceola Parks and a free ski tow for children will be operated at Springside and Osceola on weekends. Plans are also being made to conduct instruction programs in skiing and skating this year and we sincerely hope the Winter Carnival sponsored by the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation will again prove to be a tremendous success.

We are greatly indebted to the members of the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee and join the hundreds of competitors and thousands of spectators who have enjoyed the Winter Carnivals for the past 20 years, in expressing our sincere thanks for services rendered.

Vincent Hebert

*Superintendent*



### PARK COMMISSIONERS

*Chrm:* Dr. Robert J. Kirvin

William J. Carrigan

Pasquale B. Cioffi

Charles D. Gilson

Louis J. Russo





## 21ST ANNIVERSARY YEAR

### PROGRAM:

Dec. 2, 3, 4	Winter Sports Equip. Sale	68 West St.
Dec. & Jan.	QUEENS' CONTEST	
Jan. 4 (11)	City Speed Skate Championship	Boys Club
Jan. 8	Snow Sculptures	Park Square
Jan. 15	Hockey Night	Boys Club
Jan. 16	Ice Fishing Derby	Pontoosuc Lake
Jan. 21	Winter Festival (Ice Carnival)	Boys Club
Jan. 22-23	BERKSHIRE HILLS OUTDOOR SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS	Common
Jan. 22	Competitors Dinner	P. H. S.
Jan. 22	Teen-Age Dance	Boys Club
Jan. 29	City Ski Meet	State Forest
Jan. 29	Winter Carnival Square Dance	Boys Club
Jan. 29-30	Sports Car—Ice Trials	Pontoosuc Lake
Feb. 4-5	Berkshire Interscholastic Ski Meet	State Forest
Feb. 6	Snow Shoe Race	Springside Park
Feb. 11	Queens Coronation Ball	?
Mar. 13	1ST ANNUAL PITTSFIELD INDOOR SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS	Boys Club

Keep This Handy For Reference . . . Watch papers for any date changes