

216 Y'S MENETTES

Although the International Constitution in effect from June 1, 1974 allowed Y's Men's Clubs to accept women members, Article III, Section 3 of the Constitution still allows for Y's Menette clubs "to serve as an auxiliary to the local Y's Men's Club."

The International Association recognizes three types of women in Y'sdom:

- Women in Y's Menette Clubs.
- Women in Y's Men Clubs. (We have Y's Men's Clubs consisting of men only, women only, and men and women.)
- Wives of Y's Men, who do not want to be organized in any club but do support Y'sdom very actively in many ways.

Y's Men wives, or any woman, may be a Y's Menette regardless of her marital status. Y's Menettes, in addition to their affiliation to a local Y's Men's Club, may form clubs independently. A Y's Menettes' Director exists at the Maritimes Region, Canadian Area, and International levels. In the Region and the Area they serve on the respective councils; at the International level the Director represents Y's Menettes "with voice but without vote" at the International Council Meetings. At the International level Y's Menettes regularly identifies a separate International project, which is supported by Y's Menettes throughout the world. At other levels, including the club level, Y's Menettes often operate independent projects in addition to their participation in Y's Men projects.

In the Maritimes Region, women members presently exist in two Y's Men's Clubs: Amherst, Glace Bay and Area, Marysville, and Summerside. There are 7 Y's Menette clubs affiliated in every case with an active Y's Men's Club.