

Meeting Tuesday, 8:15, October 30, 1951

Ardsley Curling Club

The regular meeting of the Ardsley Curling Club will be held next Tuesday, 8:15, October 30, in the--locker room lounge of the Ardsley Country Club. (Do not use regular entrance. Come in doorway at southeast corner of courtyard.)

We have met with St. Andrew and Caledonia, and our President is now in a position to prescribe the basis for forming a new Association of Metropolitan curling clubs. After hearing Mr. Sothern's report we will take proper action to organize the club for the coming season.

It appeared to be the sense of the earlier meeting that the Club is prepared to increase its membership - either modestly or drastically. Albert Shaw, as head of the Membership Committee, is anxious to present a good list of proposed new members. Therefore, if you submitted any to Albert at the last meeting, make certain before next Tuesday that your man wants to join the Curling Club. If you have any other prospective member in mind, come to the meeting prepared to present his name for consideration.

Cuyler Stevens,
Secretary

THE ARDSLEY CURLING CLUB

September 20, 1951

There will be a special meeting of the Ardsley Curling Club at the residence of Harold Sothern, Erie Street, Ardsley Park, at 8:00 p.m., Tuesday evening, October 2. This meeting is being called about ten days earlier than usual so that we may have a detailed discussion of the new conditions under which Curling will operate this year at St. Andrews. The problem is complicated, but not discouraging.

The usual annual meeting will be held at this time.

As is customary, we shall appreciate it if you will indicate on the attached post card whether or not you intend to Curl as an active member during the coming season. The membership committee also asks that you come to the meeting prepared to nominate new members if vacancies develop.

Please help us by filling out the post card right now, and putting it in your mail box.

Plan to come to the meeting. We can safely promise that it will be the most interesting Curling meeting that has been held in recent years.

> Cuyler Stevens Secretary

Minutes of meeting of Ardsley Curling Club held at home of Harold Sothern, Tuesday, October 2, 1951.

President called the meeting to order. 24 members were present.

The financial situation at St. Andrews was reviewed and the Secretary reported on the meeting held at St. Andrews with Mr. Pittcarl representing St. Andrews, Mr. Macfarlane of Mahoppe and Frank Baker of Caledonia. The proposed budget was reviewed, and it was stated that St. Andrews was willing to have members of the 3 guest clubs on executive, financial, curling and ice committees.

Indications point to the desirability of a greater membership. Mr. Hastings suggested that we might aim at doubling the size of the Ardsley Curling Club and there were no dissents.

Mr. Grasskamp read a detailed presentation of facts and recommendations to be made to St. Andrews. These points were amended or approved according to the attached final version.

Mr. Sothern and Mr. Grasskamp will meet with Mr. Henry Kelly and discuss Ardsley recommendations; they will report to the Club at a subsequent meeting.

Mr. Henry Sheperd of Hartford was elected to associate membership. Mr. Shaw as chairman of the membership committee was given 21 suggested names of new members.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45.

E 10, -

Meeting Ardsley Curling Club, Tuesday, October 2, 1951

The annual fall meeting of the Ardsley Curling Club was held at the home of Mr. Harold Sothern with a quorum of 24 members present.

The formation of the Westchester Gurling Association was discussed and a memorandum on the Ardsley Curling Club's position on various matters was prepared. A copy of this memorandum is attached.

In general, it was decided that more members were needed and more promotion is called for.

The officers of the Club were empowered to act for Ardsley in any preliminary negotiations with St. Andrews and the other members of the Association. After organizational details had been ironed out by the Association group another meeting will be held.

Meeting Ardsley Curling Club, October 30, 1951

With 22 members present the meeting was held at the Ardsley Country Club on October 30. Mr. Sothern reviewed the meeting held at Gilbert Newton's house on October 16. President Sothern was authorized to act for the Club in making final decisions.

The Curling committee was announced as L. K. Graaskamp, Chairman, with Messrs. Hockmyer and Welles.

It was voted that membership be increased to 44 men, and since this entailed a large increase in membership it was voted not to elect members in the usual fashion but to empower Albert Shaw's Admission Committee to screen and to elect enough members to bring us to 44.



OPENING CURLING DINNER

Next Tuesday -- November 27th, Ardsley Country Club

This year Harold Sothern is going to try something new. We shall have the curling dinner a week before the opening session on the ice.

Thus, we announce the opening curling dinner for Tuesday, November 27th and the first night of curling as Tuesday, December 4th.

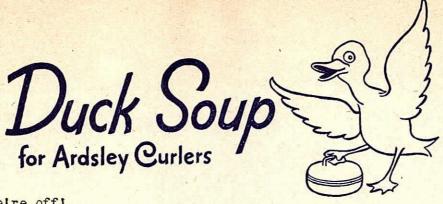
You will meet our most attractive crop of new members; you will hear all the latest on the formation of the Metropolitan Curling Assoc. The Ardsley Country Club has set aside the main lounge for the curlers, and we can all sign our names to chits just as we do at St. Andrews.

Let's open Ardsley's biggest curling season with Ardsley's best initial dinner.

Cuyler Stevens Secretary

P.S. Notice that this dinner is at Ardsley, not at St. Andrews.

The dinner is at 6:30 p.m.



Well, We're off;

The curling season started last Tuesday with the biggest membership in Ardsley's history, the handsomest crop of new curlers, and the gummiest ice ever seen on opening night. Too bad the super-mild weather had to spoil things, for it was impossible to lay an accurate shot, no matter what the weight.

With the election of Art Kemp we bring our membership up to 44 active curlers. Art's name goes on Al Koehl's rink for the Blanton.

A Few Announcements

Blanton matches scheduled for next Tuesday are:

Robinson vs Warner Upjohn vs Koehl Hockmyer vs May

Will the Blanton skips remember that you men have new curlers on your rinks who are anxious to get into the swing of things. So get your rink lined up ahead of time and make it a point to call the new man on your team and tell him that he is, or is not, needed for Tuesday's match. Don't leave him twitching in ignorance!

The Utica Cup competition starts at St. Andrews on Friday the 14th. We'll have 5 teams entered and the newer curlers should try to get over to the rink and watch some of the matches. This will tell you what the game is really about. See Von Bernuth talk Sutphen into letting him play one of those awful running shots! See Henry Kelley lay his well-known hack-high guard!

As this issue of <u>Duck Soup</u> is ladled out of the tureen we cannot tell you about the festivities surrounding the Utica Cup Bonspiel. The committee in charge is weighing the merits of a bonspiel dinner or a cocktail party. As I write, they are closeted in a schmo-filled room.

On Getting Some Practice

Grassy's biggest worry is his schedule...how to allocate the ice to handle scheduled events. Right now he needs a couple of more sheets a week to take care of everybody. Also this is the time of year when we like to have some ice available for practice sessions, particularly the newly enrolled curlers.

This will be worked out at a meeting over the weekend. The next issue of Duck Soup will carry more details.

BLANTON RINKS

1951

Thorndike (skip)

Sothern

Weston

Eddison

McAfee, H.

Kinney

Samuel

Bickford

Reed

Peterson

Lueck

Wall

Koehl

Hastings

Wood, B. R.

Leighton

Fox

(skip) Hockmeyer

Robinson

Sutphen

Thayer

Stevens

Van Alystne

Gray

Wood, C. F.

Marshall

Caine

May

Wells

Graaskamp

Ziegler

Sheets

(skip) Warner Upjohn

Fiske

Gish

Mash

Von Bernuth

Lanigan

Stewart

McAfee, R.

Fitzpatrick

UTICA CUP

1951

Ardsley #3 Ardsley #2 Ardsley #1 Sutphen Eddison (skip) Fiske Thorndike Weston Hastings Robinson May Warner Von Bernuth, C. Wood, B. R. Koehl (alt) (alt) (alt)

Ardsley #4 Ardsley #5

(skip) Gish Stevens

Wells Sothern

Upjohn Hockmeyer

Kinney Graaskamp

(alt)

WILDS RINKS

1951

Ardsley #1

Ardsley #2

(skip) Hastings Wells

T horndike

Fiske

Sothern

Hockmeyer

Von Bernuth

Warner

May

Kinney

Thayer

Nash

Leighton

Lanigan

Gray

Wood, C. M.

Lueck

Fox

Wall

Peterson

McAfee, R.

Ardsley #3

Ardsley #4

(skip) Gish

Stevens

Sutphen

Eddison

Weston

Robinson

Koehl

Upjohn

Graaskamp

Wood

Van Alystne

McAfee, H.

Stewart

Bickford

Reed

Ziegler

Marshall

Caine

Fitzpatrick

Sheets

BLANTON SCHEDULE

10 ends - Finals 12 ends

12/7 8:00 P.M.

Thorndike vs. May

Hockmeyer vs. Sothern

12/11 8:00 p.m.

Robinson vs. Warner Upjohn vs. Koehl Hockmeyer vs. May

12/14 - 15 - 16

UTICA CUP and ARCHIBALD CAP

12/15 - Dinner 12 ends - finals (14 ends)

12/18 8:00 P.M.

T horndike vs. Upjohn Koehl vs. Warner Robinson vs. Sothern

12/21 8:00 P.M.

Thorndike vs. Robinson

WILDS: Ardsley #2 (Wells vs. Ardsley #4 (Stevens)

12/26 8:00 P.M. (Wed.)

May vs. Warner Hockmeyer vs. Upjohn Sothern vs. Koehl

12/28 WILDS: Ardsley #1 (Hastings) vs. Ardsley #4 (Stevens)
Ardsley #2 (Wells) vs. Ardsley #3 (Gish)

Top four - most wins - or in case of ties highest scores - Gold Blanton. Bottom four - Silver Blanton

1/2 (Wed.) 8:00 p.m.

2 Blanton Gold matches 1 Blanton Silver match

1/4 (Fri.) 8:00 p.m.

1 Blanton Silver - 1 Wilds

1/8 8:00 p.m. - Blanton Gold & Silver Finals (2 matches)
(1 Wilds match)

1/11 2 Wilds matches - (Ardsley vs. Ardsley)

1/15 Midseason Dinner and beginning of Windeler



November 28th, 1951

The Curling Committee feels that it would be well to summarize the remarks made at the meeting of November 27th.

Ardsley will have three sheets of ice each Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m. (except during Christmas week and New Years week when we will have three sheets on Wednesday evening). We will also have two sheets of ice each Friday evening at 8:00 p.m.

There is no open ice on Saturdays but there will be two open sheets on both Sunday mornings and Sunday evenings. These sheets of course, will have to be shared with all of the other member clubs.

It will be the responsibility of the Blanton skips and the Wild skips to arrange for the attendance of their rinks for their scheduled matches. It will also be the responsibility of these skips to arrange for equitable curling on the part of all members of their rink, taking into account all circumstances.

On Tuesday, December 4th, Sheet #1 will be devoted to teaching new members the rudiments of the game. They will be divided into two groups and Messrs. Fiske and Stevens will undertake the instruction. The remaining two sheets will be available for pick-up matches.

The Blanton competition will begin on Friday evening, December 7th.

Each rink is guaranteed four matches. Matches will be ten ends, except for the finals which will be twelve ends. The first three matches will be played to determine the four teams in the first division who will then play down to a final match to determine the winner of the Gold Blanton medals. These four teams will be determined on the record of wins and losses, or in the case of ties, on the total number of stones scored. The four rinks eliminated from the Gold competition will play down for a final to determine the winner of the Silver Blanton medals.

The Wilds competition is being scheduled by the Westchester Curling Association and rules governing play will be made available. The competition will be between 4 St. Andrews rinks, 4 Ardsley rinks and 3 Caledonia rinks and one Mahopac for a total of 55 matches. It is proposed to play five matches every Saturday, two on Sunday and three on Wednesday nights for a total of 55 matches. Each rink is to meet every other rink in the competition and the competition to end by January 31st. The 4 Ardsley rinks will meet each other in a total of six matches on a schedule to be prepared by the Ardsley Curling Committee.

You will find attached a complete schedule of our Ardsley matches beginning December 7th and ending with the mid-season dinner on January 15th.

You will also find attached sheets listing the Blanton rinks, Wilds rinks and the Utica Cup rinks.

It will be very helpful to the Secretary and to the Curling Committee if these lists can be kept by all members for the period ending January 15th.

ARDSLEY CURLING COMMITTEE

LWG: aes



December 14, 1951

Blanton Results

Kemp	Fitzpatrick	Gray	Ziegler	Wall	Sheets
Fox	VonBernuth	Thayer	Graaskamp	Caine	Sothern
B. W. Wood	Gish	Stevens	Wells	C. M. Wood	R. McAfee
Koehl	Upjohn	Hockmyer	May	Sutphen Robinson	Nash Warner
Sports 9.	. 11.	12.	. 7	12.	. 8

One big end was characteristic of Tuesday night's Blanton matches. Upjohn got a 5 end against Al Koehl and Robinson scored a 7 against Bob Warner. These big scores were factors for the winning side. Bill May lead off with a 4 against Hockmyer, but Victor allowed Bill only 3 points thereafter and won by going away 12 to 7. Your reporter wasn't able to see much of the other matches, but Vic Hockmyer made every important shot. The most useful shot being made when his team's other 7 stones were out of play and nested against the end-boards.

Next Week's Matches

Thorndike vs. Robinson	May	vs.	Thorndike
Hockmyer vs. Sothern	Hockmyer	vs.	Upjohn
Koehl vs. Warner	Sothern	vs.	Koehl
(12/17 - 8:00 pm.)	(12/18 -	8:00	p.m.)

By the time you receive this issue of "Duck Soup" the Utica Cup bonspiel will be underway. There will be matches all day Saturday, with the semi-finals Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. and the finals Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

Meeting of Westchester Curling Assoc.

As you will notice from the Blanton schedule above, Ardsley is now using the ice on Monday evening as well as Tuesday. This was granted to Ardsley at a meeting of the Association held Saturday, the eighth. This will ease our schedule problems and also make for peace in the family, since most curlers' wives would prefer not to have Friday nights taken up too often.

An interesting act of the Executive Committee was a vote to permit mixed curling on Saturday evenings. Special fees will probably be charged. Any women curling during this period must be members of the Westchester Wicks. Chuck Hovey is chairman of the committee in charge, and if any of the Ardsley curlers would like to participate, Chuck is the man to call.

At the Association's meeting it was reported that current membership is 109 curlers from the District. This exceeds our most optimistic hopes. The Association gets a particularly welcome dividend in the form of additional income to insure an extremely sound financial basis for our very first year.

Want to Curl?

Since there are 5 or 6 men on each Blanton rink and since each skip can use only 4 of them once, some of us will find ourselves all set to curl some night when the skip does not need our services. (First of all, each skip must let his teammates clearly understand that they are expected to curl on a given evening or that they will be free.) If you want to curl, call Graaskamps' secretary, Miss Stemper, MU 6 4900. Tell her that you would like to curl on Monday or Tuesday night, and she will list your name. Thus the skip who finds that he needs a substitute can call Miss Stemper, getting your name and signing you up for his rink.

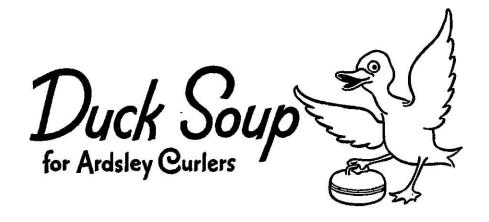
To the new curlers we say particularly — don't be modest about offering your services. If you want to curl call, Miss Stemper, and you will find that some anxious skip will be delighted to put you on his rink — and everybody will benefit.

Graasy calls attention to an error in the "Duck Soup" for November 28, which said there would be no open ice on Saturdays, but there would be 2 open sheets Sunday morning and Sunday evening. Of course, Graasy meant to say Sunday afternoon. Re you would like to curl on either of these Sunday sessions, the thing to do is to call St. Andrews -- Hastings 5 0674 and ask them to put you down for an informal game.

Yours for an All-Ardsley final in the Utica on Sunday afternoon,

Cuyler Stevens, Secretary

4 - 1-0



The Ardsley Curling Club, as host at the Utica Cup Bonspiel, cordially invites all curlers of District 2 for cocktails from 7:00 to 8:30, December 14, at Saint Andrews Golf Club.



December 21, 1951

Gish is Rink Wins Tom Archbald Hat Trophy

Well, we were right about one thing, it was an all-Ardsley final, but it was in the Archbald — not the Utica. Gish's rink with Wells. Upjohn, and Nash was knocked out of the Utica by Locke of St. Andrew's 13 to 8. Once in the consolation events Bill beat St. Andrews (Carl) by 18 to 2, beat Campbells' Caledonia rink 10 to 7 to go into the finals. Barton Eddison with Shaw, May and Bill Wood lost to St. Andrews (McCullough) 17 to 13 and beat Duncan Sutphen by 14 to 8. Then came the final. The final round match was a beauty, with the teams going into the last end all even. The Gish rink, with Russ Weston filling in at lead and Upjohn playing 3d, his first bonspiel experience in the rings, came out on top by one rock.

The rink of Stevens, Sothern Hockmeyer and Graaskamp drew a bye and then beat McCullough 10 to 3 with an odd string of 10 single-point ends, 9 of them in a row. They got by Seagrave's Mahopac ring to meet Ty Halsteady's other Mahopac team in the finals. To draw a charitable sheet over the corpse's face, let us only say that the Mahopac boys beat the daylights out of us by 18 to 9 with a big 6 end in the middle of the match.

Duncan Sutphen's rink with Thorndike, Robinson, Von Bernuth lost to a rink from Mahopac, but composed chiefly of Ardsley substitutes. The consolation beat Arndt by 14 to 7 and then were taken by Barton 14 to 8.

Standing of Blanten Teams

Skip	Won	Lost
Hockmeyer	2	0
Robinson	1	0
May	1	1
Upjohn	1	1
Warner		1. B
Koehl	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	2
Sothern	0	1-
Thorndike	0	1

Next Week's Matches Wednesday, Dec. 26

Thorndike vs. Upjohn Robinson vs. Sothern May vs. Warner You have all received the complete roster of names, addresses and phone numbers of all curlers and all associate and honorary members. If an error has been made in your statistics, please let the secretary know.

A letter received by your secretary calls attention to a new book "Curling" by Ken Watson. "The book covers the fundamentals of the game...describes plays that win championships...how to choose a team, how to coach, how to lead it to victory." Price -- \$3. If you're interested, I'll order a copy for you provided that there are 5 copies in total.

To the new curlers is going a copy of a sheet published by North American Curling News. You may find it helpful.

Best wishes and sincere sympathy to Remary Caine who slipped last week and broke his ankle. It happened on the ice, but was the result of the storm, not of curling.

Graasy warns that postponed Blanton matches have got to be settled before the end of next week, if we are to hold our schedule. Will Skips please make the proper arrangements.

Cuyler Stevens Secretary

Through a transcribing error the Blanton Results appear here instead of on the first page.

Blanton Results

Ziegler Graaskamp Wells May	Fitzpatrick Peterson Samuel Thorndike	Gray Thayer Stevens Hockmeyer 12	Stewart Von Bernuth Gish Upjohn 10	Kemp Leighton Wood Hastings	J. Stanley Wall Bichfol Sothern 4
10	5	12	10		

Feature of the May - Thorndike match was a scoreless end. Vic Hockmeyer's rink overcame a 5-end for the second week in a row and won in the last end. As for the other match, Harold Sothern claims that Addy Hastings didn't miss a shot all night long.

In a match played privately on Monday night, Warner beat Koehl by 13 to 2; the other person on the rink is unknown.



December 28, 1951

Due to the illness of your correspondent, his absence from the ice and also due to the general disjointed Christmas schedule, we do not have full details of Wednesday night's competition. We do know that Robinson beat Sothern 8 to 7: Thorndike beat Upjohn 12 to 11. Bill May made 3 touchdowns and kicked 1 point-after to beat Bob Warner 19 to 2.

Blanton Schedule.

Wednesday. January 2 Hockmeyer vs. Robinson May vs. Thorndike Upjohn vs. Koehl Monday, January 7
Warner vs. Sothern
Hastings vs. Wells
(Wilds match)
Gish vs. Stevens
(Wilds match)

The Blanton now goes into the play-down phase. The first four teams mentioned above play for the gold medal, and Upjohn, Koehl, Warner and Sothern play for the silver medal. The winners in each of the above brackets ment for the deciding match.

The Curling Committee has not announed its final decision but it looks as though Messrs. Eddison and Hastings will skip 2 Ardsley rinks in the Douglas, which will begin on Friday, January 11. Full personnel will be announced later.

Personals

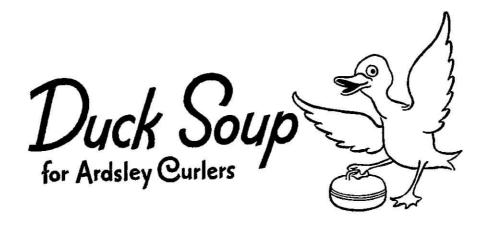
Advertising Age says in its December 24 issue, "John Lanigan, Time salesman, reportedly will be named to head the television sales staff of American Broadcasting Company." Congratulations John! Sorry that this means we shall lose you as a curler this year.

Art Kemp from now on will play on Bob Warner's Blanton rink and on Dick Well's team in the Vilds.

Your secretary discovered to his horror that he had made no mention of the Fiske rink in last week's letter concerning the Utica Cup. You will be happy to know that Eddy's aggregation beat a Caledonia team by 20 to 6, but will be heart-broken to learn they were defeated by Halsted in the next round 15 to 9.

Happy New Year!

Cuyler Stevens Secretary



January 3, 1952

Dr. Todd (advertisement) having removed Cuyler's appendix on Wednesday morning - this substitute scribe has been inducted. Reports are that Cuyler did not skip the match, but is playing a good three for Dr. Todd.

The semi-finals of the Blanton Gold (January 2nd) saw Robinson eliminate Hockmeyer 8 to 7 in a ding dong match that was settled by Guy's last shot - a beautiful draw - that beat out a Hockmeyer stone by an inch.

Thorndike ably assisted by Weston, Judge McAfee and Samuel gave May a shellacking 12 to 4 in spite of good leading by Sheets.

Robinson will meet Thorndike on the center ice next Tuesday (January 8th) for the finals.

In a Silver Blanton (January 2nd) Upjohn eliminated Koehl 10 to 6. Charley will play the winner of the Warner-Sothern semifinal (to be played January 7th) on #1 or #3 ice on Tuesday, January 8th. There will be one open sheet of ice on that evening - so come out for practice - even if you are not scheduled to curl,

On Monday, January 7th, there will also be two Wilds matches. Hastings vs. Wells and Gish vs. Stevens (Eddison is expected to skip for Stevens).

Before last night's meeting - Langdon Hockmeyer and Eric Lagercrantz were elected to membership. Lagercrantz has been assigned to the Wells Wilds rink and Lang to the Stevens Wilds rink.

On Sunday, December 30th, Warner skip, Sothern 3, Grasskamp 2, and Bill Wood 1 - won a Kimbel challenge 16 to 12 from Clarke skip, Ruston 3, L. Thorndike 2, and McCullough 1. The victors meet the Lewis Hill gang, Hastings, Wells, Robinson, and Wall next Sunday, January 6th.

Ardsley rinks in the Douglas at St. Andrews, January 10, 11, 12, will be

#1

Eddison (skip) Weston Sothern

Hockneyer

*!!*2

Hastings (skip)

Wells Gish Thorndike

The Curling Committee recommends that new curlers especially watch this competition for among the 20 rinks competing will be some of the best talent of the United States and Canada.

Harold Sothern will skip a rink competing in the Mitchell at Utica, January 24, 25, 26, 27. The other members will be announced in a future Duck Soup.

Ash Thorndike will skip our Dykes rink (also at Utica) on February 2 and 3.

A post card is enclosed listing Bonspiels to which we expect invitations. Please check the trips you can make to assist the Curling Committee in making assignments. Please do this right away.

Early next week Eddie Fiske and Albie Shaw, with Jock Macfarlane (of Mahopac) take off for Scotland and thirty days of curling. Happy landings and good ice (especially in your drinks) is our farewell message!

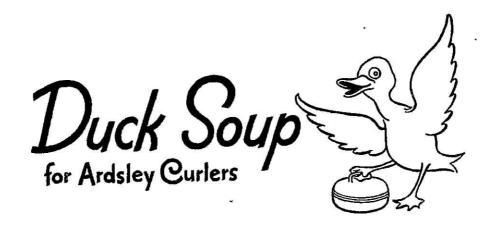
The Windeler competition will begin on Tuesday, January 15th, and will consist of a round robin in which the 8 rinks listed below will each play 7 matches on the succeeding Tuesdays (except February 12th)

The rinks:

McAfee, R.

(skip)	Hastings	Hockmeyer, V	Wells
	Von Bernuth	Eddison	Wood, B. R.
	Leighton	Kinney	Nash
	Kemp	Stewart	Ziegler
	Lueck	Fitzpatrick	Fox
		Reed	
(skip)	Gish	Sutphen	Weston
	Koehl	Warner	May
	Lagercrantz	McAfee, H	Van Alstyne
	Wood, C. M.	Samuel	Gray
	Marshall	Peterson	Hockmeyer, L.
*(skip)	Thorndike or	Sothern (skip)	
	Robinson	(Robinson	*Winner of Blanton
	Upjohn	(or	Gold Medal will skip this rink.
	Thayer	`	only only rame.
	Wall.	Graaskamp	
		Bickford	

Sheets



January 9, 1952

It is a pleasure to report that our secretary is at home recuperating. He advises that his hospital experience strengthens his admiration for the draw game, rather than the "take out".

Ardsley's first Monday night curling saw Sothern eliminate Warner (skipped by Mac Fiske, the tongue-tied Scot) by a 9 to 7 score. Sothern got the jump on Eddie at the start, but they went into the tenth tied. Once again it was the last stone that settled the match.

The first Ardsley vs. Ardsley Wilds matches saw Wells defeat Thorndike 15 to 4 in 11 ends - and Gish defeat Stevens (Upjohn skipping) 14 to 8.

The Blanton finals on Tuesday saw matches much tighter than the scores would indicate. The winner of the Gold Medal is the Thorndike rink which beat Guy Robinson 13 to 10 in twelve ends. (Thorndike will now skip a Windeler rink.)

The Silver medals go to the Sothern rink who beat Upjohn 12 to 7. After piling up a good lead in the early ends, Sothern found himself tied 7 to 7 at the end of the tenth and had to go all out to pull out the match.

The competition has shown real spirit and interest and has developed the abilities of all groups but most outstanding has been the enthusiasm and good curling of the newer members.

Due to production difficulties Blanton medals will not be immediately available but your winning skips will present them as soon as they arrive.

Ardsley was offered a third rink in the Douglas Bonspiel this weekend, It will be Gish, skip, Hockmeyer 3, May 2, Nash 1, Gish, who was designated to play 2 on Ardsley #2, will be replaced by Thorndike, and B. R. Wood will play #1. Hockmeyer, who was to have played #1 on Ardsley #1, will be replaced by Graaskamp.

Twenty rinks will compete, including the defending Montreal St. George's and a Jacques Cartier rink from Quebec which has won many a tough Canadian competition. Again we urge that you watch as many matches possible of this sure to be thrilling Bonspiel. All Ardsley members are invited to the Bonspiel dinner at 8 PM on Friday, January 11th. Make your reservation through St. Andrew's Golf Club, phone Hasting 5-0674.

Because of the strenuous Bonspiel weekend, we will postpone the Wilds matches on Monday, January 14th, and begin the Windeler competition on Tuesday, January 15th, when Hastings meets Gish - Wells meets Weston, and Hockmeyer meets Sutphen. Skips will be responsible for lining up their own rinks and absenteeism will call for the usual penalties.

The week ending January 6th saw the Wilds competition in full swing with Ardsley winning four matches and dropping two. If your wife is complaining about your frequent absence due to curling, console her! Tell her how lucky she is that you are out with a cold hunk of granite, rather than the red hot mammas who capture too many of our generation!

The Lewis Highlanders (Hastings, Wells, Robinson, and Wall) vanquished the Ardsley Squatters (Warner, Sothern, Graaskamp, and Wood) 16 to 9 in a Kimbel challenge on Sunday. They (the non-kilted Highlanders) aim to stay top dogs. The Ardsley boys urge that you challenge them early and often. They can be had!

L.W.G. for Cuyler



January 16, 1952

Just because a person happens to have his appendix out is no reason why he has to submit to a lot of cheap puns about take-outs and about playing #3 for Dr. Todd. There will be no more of that stuff around here:

I do thank Grass for helping out with the last two Duck Soups. But he should lay off the bum medical puns. Suture self, I always say!

ARDSLEY SWEEPS DOUGLAS COMPETITION:

Wins Medal and Consolation, Too

I take my penicillin hand to record the first time in history that the same club has won both the Douglas and Griffith Medals.

Dr. Ad Hastings and his staff of Dick Wells, Ash Thorndike, and Bill Wood administered the scalpel to Jacques Cartier in the final, by 16 to 10, which is a good, sound trimming of an able and experienced rink. Ardsley is proud as Punch of Addison and his team who, says the Herald Tribune, "delivered their stones with exaction". After Charlie Balch's T. C. C. rink knocked off last years winning rink, Ad's boys trimmed the Balch-rink by 12-8. Next they took Willie Cuthbertson, 13-8. Then came a collision with Dr. Gish and his clinic of Hockmeyer, May, and Nash, fresh from a win over ex-Ardsleyite Dick Neiley's Winchesters, 14-9, and a victory over Farmington by 9-7.

The all Ardsley semi-final was a Hastings win, 18-9.

Dr. Bart Eddison, with Harold Weston, Harold Sothern, and Haarold Graaskamp had a consultation saying, "Anesthetic consideration here is that we can ether try for the Douglas or Griffith, but we gas we'll win the Griffith for Barton who has two Douglases". So they let Jug Ogden (honorary Ardsley) and his Utica team (all skips and 1/2 the 1936 U.S. Olympic Curling Team, to boot) nose them out 12-10 in the main event, then moved through the Griffith by beating Lucius Hill of T.C.C. by 15-7, then beat Dick Davis' Schenectady boys 11-10, then took another Schenectady rink in the final. This Ardsley rink also delivered their stones with exaction

as they beat Spike Mulford 13-11. In the two last rounds, Harold Sothern was replaced by Harold May. (We hear that our President's mother's condition is much improved and we all wish her luck.)

Thus the saga of Ardsley's big double win. In four final rounds thus far played in Grand National competition, Ardsley has had five teams, and three victories out of a possible four! That, brithers, is curling - and we are proud of our warriors!!!

When I complained to Grass that he hadn't put me on a Windeler team, I said I'd have to get my sulpha rink. He said "Why, ligature stomach! You can't curl when you're all sewed up". Well, just wait and see me play my interne!

Just got the hospital and doctor's bills. What that old appendix needed was a good five-cent scar.

Cuyler Stevens Secretary

Cuyler's contribution was written from his easy chair at home but he is expected back on the ice and on Huckster's Row momentarily. We congratulate the rink that won this bout and list them for posterity - Dr. R. T. B. Todd, skip, the anesthetist #3, Edie Stevens #2, Cuyler, lead.

The Curling Committee first announced no activity for Monday the 14th, but then got Cuyler to do a lot of telephoning and as a result a six end slam bang match was played between the Wooden Indians - C.M.Wood, skip, Gray #3, Lueck #2, Lang Hockmeyer, lead - and the Roving Reeds - Vancouver Reed, skip, Pete Peterson #2, and Vic Hockmeyer, lead. The result a 4 all tie - achieved by excellent draw shots by both skips in the last two ends.

The Windeler competition began on Tuesday. Results were as follows:

Hastings beat Gish 13 to 6 Hockmeyer beat Sutphen 10 to 8 Wells beat Weston (May skipping) 13 to 4 (10 ends)

Hockmeyer had as his #1 none other than our San Francisco member, Al Staley. To prove Al likes curling let it be recorded that he hauled his curling shoes, bonnet, and all other equipment all the

way across the continent, in the hope that he could play at least one match!

Next week: - Windeler Matches

Monday, Jan. 21 - Hastings vs. Sutphen Hockmeyer vs. Thorndike Wells vs. Sothern

Tuesday, Jan. 22- Hockmeyer vs. Weston Wells vs. Thorndike Gish vs. Sothern

L. W. G.



January 25, 1952

Windeler Results

Monday, January 21	Tuesday, January 22
Hockmeyer 9	Hockmeyer 16
Thorndike 7	Weston 6
Sothern 8 . Wells 6	Wells 16 Thorndike 12
Hastings 14 Sutphen 9	Gish 15 Sothern 4 (10 ends)

	Standing	of Teams
	Won	Lost
Hockmeyer	3	0
Hastings	2	0 .
Wells	2	1
Gish	1	1
Sothern	1	1
Sutphen	0	2
Thorndike	0	2
Weston	0	2

Next Week's Schedule

Monday, January 28	Tuesday, January 29
Hastings vs. Hockmeyer	Wells vs. Gish
Sutphen vs. Thorndike	Sutphen vs. Weston
Weston vs. Sothern	Thorndike vs. Sothern

Herb Fox asked me the other day what these various contests meant -- what is the Wilds, and what is the difference between the Blanton and the Windeler? Probably most of the Class of 1952 curlers have been asking the same question.

The Blanton and the Windeler are our own competitions. The Blanton is designed to give the junior skips a chance to get some experience. The Windeler is our club championship. In both of these competitions your skip is supposed to give you a chance to curl in your fair share of matches.

The Wilds is a round-robbin played between 4 St. Andrews rinks, 4 Ardsley rinks, 2 from Caledonia and 1 from Mahopac.

Just to make it easy on my overworked secretary, Betty Wohlidka, I am going to stop listing the <u>complete</u> personnel of all rinks. It simply takes up too much space. I will try to mention unusual accomplishments, so if anything extraordinary happens in one of your matches, please tell me because I may miss it if you don't,

Harold Sothern takes a team to Utica this weekend and we hope to have pleasant things to report at next week's issue. This is the start of the bonspiel season, and there will be an event scheduled every week from now until March.

Screwy Signals

Here is something that the Curling Committee ought to think about seriously. We have no uniform system of signals from skips, and the one most frequently missed is which turn to play. How often do we see some poor curler calling to his skip to find out whether he wants the in-turn or the out-turn. There are simple signals to indicate this. The trouble is that we just don't do it correctly.

Barton Eddison puts his hand on his hip to show an in-turn and extends his arm to indicate an out-turn. There are recognized signals. There is one other way. Since an out-turn comes from the skip's left-side, the upraised left arm means an out-turn and the in-turn, which comes from right to left (as the skip sees it), is indicated by the right arm held out. Most of us signal just the opposite.

Of course, no curler on straight ice should have to ask what the turn is, but if the ice is crooked you will find the skip's signal is important. Let's standardize it.

Harold Sothern has a long telegram from Ardsley's Mother, Bill Kimbel, congratulating us on our double win in the Douglas-Griffith.

Cuyler Stevens Secretary



January 31, 1952

Windel	07	Results
Il Tiluci	-01	T102 07 100

Monday, January 28 Thorndike 9

Sutphen (Warner) 8 Weston 11

Sothern 6

Hastings (VonBernuth) 12

Hockmeyer 11

Tuesday, January 29

Weston 9 Sutphen 7

Thorndike 8 Sothern 7

Wood 6 Gish 10

Standing of Teams

		<u>Won</u>	Lost
Hastings	,	4	1
Hockmeyer		3	1
Gish		2	1
Wells		2	2
Thorndike		2	2
Weston		2	2
Sothern		1	3
Sutphen		0	4

Next Week's Schedule

Monday, February 4 Hockmeyer vs. Wells Gish vs. Sutphen Weston vs. Thorndike

Tuesday, Februady 5 Hastings vs. Sothern Hockmeyer vs. Gish Wells vs. Sutphen

The big surprise on Monday night was Carl VonBernuth's first skipping experience against Hockmeyer teamed up with Art Kemp's first assignment at the #3 spot. Carl had a big lead and Vic came within an ace of tying it up.

The heavy curling schedule seems to be producing casualties, since all but 2 of the rinks on Tuesday night were 3-man teams.

Harold Sothern's team that went to Utica (Hockmeyer, Warner, Mickey Wood) scared into the stratosphere in the first match and then went into a long glide back to earth. They beat Fred Rubra from Montreal, Caledonian, the match was finished at 1:20 a.m. in the morning. Harold won it with a gorgeous shot and thus became the 2nd American in history to beat this guy, who appears to take his game somewhat more than seriously. Then they lost their next 3 matches.

The rink that will go to Nashua for the weekend of February 8-9-10 has signed their contracts with Dick Wells, and his mates are Messrs. Gish, Robinson and Kemp.

Changes in the Wilds Schedule

Will all skips please note these newly scheduled matches Wednesday, February 6, 8:00 p.m. Saturday, February 2, 2:00 p.m. Wells vs. Gish Hastings vs. Gish

Sunday, February 3, 2:00 p.m. Wells vs. Stevens

Saturday, February 9, 2:00 p.m. Hastings vs. Stevens

Travel Notes

I have a post card from Albie Shaw and a letter from Eddie Fisk. It is interesting that Albie can write more words on a post card than Eddie can in a letter. Eddie encloses a clipping which shows him pinning the U.S. Team Badge on the Lord Provost of Perth. An excerpt from Eddie's speech to the Provost indicated that he is a strong good-will ambassador. Albie's note says:

"The trip surpasses all expectations. My rink consists of Walter Polski, Al Backstrom, Hallowell and Shaw. A take out game — switching to draw when necessary. These Western boys have something..."

Cuyler Stevens Secretary



February 6, 1952

Windeler Results

Monday. February 4 Thorndike 10 Weston (Stevens) 7 Tuesday, February 5 Sothern 15 Hastings 9

Hockmeyer 14 Gish 9

Wells 11 Sutphen 6

Standing of Teams

	Won	Lost
Hastings	4	1
Hockmeyer	4	1
Thorndike	3	2
Wells	3	2
Gish	2	2
Sothern	2	3
Weston	2	3
Sutphen	0	5

Next Week's Schedule Monday, February 11

Hastings vs. Wells Hockmeyer vs. Sothern Gish vs. Thorndike

There was an error in last week's standings which indicated that Addison had lost 1 match. Actually, his loss on Tuesday to Harold Sothern was his first defeat leaving the 2 H's — Hockmeyer & Hastings — in a double tie.

For the first time in your Sedretary's memory there was free ice during the Windeler competition. It looks as if this twice-a-week Windeler schedule is a little too much for us. The Curling Committee is going to have to decide whether or not the last matches on Monday night will stand as defaults and will have to take care of the rescheduling.

The Junior teams at Utica, skips Thorndike and Koehl, got to the semi-finals—Ashley in the main event and Al in the consolation. It was certainly a creditable showing for both teams.

As Dick Wells leaves for Nashua, he is trying to find out how Harold Sothern beat Fred Rubra, since that gentlemen may be defending his last year's win.

Praise From Sir Hubert .

From the Editorial Office of the "Curlers' Bulletin" published at the Country

Club we found some interesting reading. Those who are on the mailing list of the Bulletin know it for an extremely expert job edited anonomously by a fellow from Philadelphia who disguises himself under the name All-n-Mo-n-t-re. He says:

"It has often been said that the curling fraternity knows no greater bunch of eager beavers than the group that makes up the membership of the Ardsley Curling Club. There is more spirit in that bunch than you'll find any place else. We admire them.

If any of our readers are acquainted with any Ardsley "guys" beg, borrow or steal a copy of their weekly paper "Duck Soup for Ardsley Curlers." It's great. They get this chit-chat sheet out once each week during the curling season and it is undoubtedly one of the big reasons why they are such delightful curlers and good fellows."

We wonder whether the death of the King is playing havoc with the Scottish Curlers' trip. Well, they will be home soon to tell us about it.

Cuyler Stevens Secretary



February 14, 1952

ARDSLEY WINS ARDSLEY CUP

Ardsley	St. Andrews
Gish 12	Hahn 11
Eddison 13	Prof. Thorndike 10
Wells 12	McCullough 15
Stevens 16	Locke 7
Hastings 10	Carl 12
Sutphen 11	Arndt 13
Total 74	Total 68

In the Annual Ardsley vs. St. Andrews competition played on Lincoln's birthday, the matches were unusually close — all by one. Ardsley ended the morning round 1 point ahead and improved on this lead in the afternoon matches to win by a 6 point margin.

The Stevens' rink which had Sothern at 3, Graaskamp at 2 and Sheets at lead won the medal by contributing a plus 9 score to Ardsley.

As you can well imagine, the Stevens' aggregation was curling beautifully, the finest shot of the afternoon being a takeout shot delivered by the skip which was 2-feet narrow and brought off a 50-foot promote to remove the stone he intended to hit in the first place, (I hope you are not following me). This superb shot resulted in a 4-end thus proving that religion is the opium of the people.

Windeler Results

Monday, Feb. 11

Sothern (Robinson) 19 Th Hockmeyer 7 Gi

Thorndike 10 Gish 9

Standing of Teams

Dualiutie	OI TOTALLO	
	Won	Lost
Hastings	3 4	1
Hockmeyer	4	2
Thorndike	4	2
	3	2
Wells	2	2
Sothern	3	2
Gish	2	3
Weston	2	3
Sutphen	0	5

Next Week's Schedule

Monday, February 18 Hockmeyer vs. Wells Sutphen vs. Gish Tuesday, February 19 Hastings vs. Thorndike Gish vs. Weston Sutphen vs. Sothern

Tuesday, February 26 Hastings vs. Weston Hockmeyer vs. Wells

Another Quote from the Curlers' Bulletin

Feing a lazy editor, it is always a pleasure to borrow from someone else. Here is a cute story from the current issue of the "Country Club" publication.

"Drifting into the locker building after the morning's match I ran into one of the leads on an adjoining rink. I remarked, by way of conversation: 'How'd you come out over there?' Hesitating for a moment he answered: 'I think we won; — something like ten to nine.' I followed with the inevitable question: 'Whom were you playing for?' I had gone too far; I had struck too deep. He faltered and said: 'I really don't know.'"

This weekend it is Schenectady and Messrs: Hockmeyer, Mickey Wood, Thorndike and Stevens will make the trip with Stevens taking the rink in the Gordon and Hockmeyer doing the skipping in the Emmett.

Next week it is the District with Hastings and Eddison doing the honors.

Ice Manners

Curling etiquette is a fairly simple matter. By and large you simply make sure that you give the curler every chance when he makes his shot and you give the skip or the vice skip exclusive tenancy of the "house."

In other words, stand clear of the curler when he is in the hack. Get off of the ice beside him and stand where he can't see you. Give him a clear look at his stone all the way down the ice. If the curler is going to make the shot give him the satisfaction of seeing it completed. If he is going to miss it, don't interfere with his comprehension of how he missed it and why. There is a tendency, which has suddenly sprung up, to move over to the center of the ice after a stone has been delivered. Keep the center of the ice clear no matter if your team or the other team is curling. (One person who reads this will think I am taking about him. I am not.) There are about one dozen Ardsleyites who do this consistently.

The rules state that only one man from each team is permitted inside the rings.

And yet, take a look at a typical rink as the end is approaching its close and it looks as if everybody is trying to get into the act. Stay behind the hog line, you can get a good view from there. Particularly, do not put in your 2¢ worth when the 2 vice skips are deciding on the score.

Thus endeth today's sermon.

Cuyler Stevens Secretary



February 21, 1952

WINDELER RESULTS

Monday, February 18th

Tuesday, February 19th

Gish defeats Sutphen (default) Hastings 13 - Wells 12 Hastings 22 - Thorndike 1 Weston (May) 13 - Gish 10 Sutphen 17 - Sothern 7

Standing of Teams

	Won	Lost
Hastings	5	1
Hockmeyer	Ĺ	2
Thorndike	Ĺ	3
Wells	· 3	3
Weston	3	3
Sothern	3	$\tilde{\lambda}$
Gish	3),
Sutphen	í	6

The Windeler matches this week saw both spectacular and mediocre curling. Sutphen with a two man rink, H. I'cAfee and Samuel, won his first match of the Competition from Sothern's "Stinkeroos".

Hastings shellacked Thorndike, who spent the entire evening trying to clean out Addie's well built houses.

May (Weston) kept Gish down for about seven ends before the Gish rink began to click.

The Windeler should wind up Tuesday, February 26th, when Hastings meets Weston and Wells meets Hockmeyer. A win by Vic and a loss by Addie could result in a tie - and a playoff.

There will be scrub matches on Monday night, February 25th, and you are all urged to come out and play without the pressure of a match to upset your keen eye and steady hand.

The District Medal Competition will be played Saturday and Sunday, February 23rd and 24th, to determine which Club will go to Montreal for the Royal Caledonian Trophy on March 7th and 8th.

We will also have two rinks skipped by Stevens and Gish in the Stockton Bonspiel at Brookline on the following week-end, i.e. February 29th, March 1st and 2nd.

Unless the Junior Bonspiel is extended beyond March 2nd, Ardsley's curling after that date will be confined to scrub matches on Tuesday nights only.

There are signs and portents that curling in the 1952-1953 Season may again be run by St. Andrew's. Frankly this is a disappointing prospect since the Westchester Curling Association had really revitalized curling in the Metropolitan area. What Ardsley will decide to do under such circumstances depends on the details.

The Closing Dinner will be held at the Ardsley Country Club on Wednesday, March 12th, at 7 PM. Mr. Ramsey, the Club Manager, has promised a wonderful repast for \$3.75. Don't Miss It!! Make your reservations now with Cuyler Stevens.

There will be the awarding of pins, a report of the Season's activities, and we hope the personal appearance of the two young men who toured Scotland. If one of them is in kilts - that will be Fiske!

Cuyler Stevens and L. W. Graaskamp



HASTINGS WINS WINDELER

Results Tuesday, February 26th

Weston (May)	16	Wells	17
Hastings	9	Hockmeyer	4
	FINAL STANDINGS		

Hastings '	Won 5	Lost 2
Hockmeyer	** JT	11 3
Thorndike	18]	# 3
Wells	11]	" 3
Weston	11 1	# 3
Sothern	11 3	11 1
Gish	11 3	er Li
Sutphen	n í	" 6

For the fourth time in five years, Addie Hastings skipped the winning Windeler team. It was a team victory that brought Addie's rink to the top of the league, the most notable contribution being Carl Von Bernuth's win over the Hockmeyer rink at a time when both teams were deadlocked. But whether or not it is a team victory, it seems important to have Addie on the team as his last 5-year record will attest.

Interesting feature of the final standings is the 4-way tie for second place. Mr. Duncan Dunbar Sutphen, Jr.'s rink has lifted the triple-zero trophy by a margin which is unfortunately rather decisive.

ST. ANDREWS WINS DISTRICT MEDAL

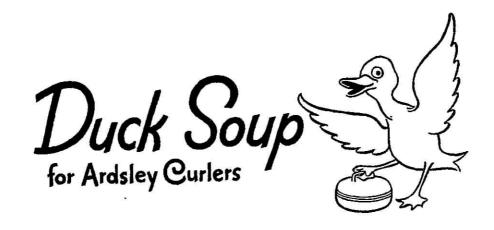
In a shattering all-St. Andrews final, Buddy Arndt won over Pitt Carl and thus walked off with the event for the second year in a row. Ardsley's teams got to the semi-finals, but both were beaten by narrow margins, the Hastings rink being beaten by Arndt 13-11 with Pitt Carl defeating the Eddison rink in an extra end by 12-11.

A second reminder about the Annual Closing Dinner which will be Wednesday night, March 12th at the Ardsley Country Club. I now have two reservations. I need 42 more. Please call me, send me a postcard, or toot as you go by the house as an indication that you are going to be there.

COME OUT AND CURL TUESDAY NIGHT, MARCH 4

We are going to have three solid sheets of active curling. The chances are someone will telephone you to arrange a match. If you should not hear from one of the men who is organizing the Tuesday night session, call Dick Wells at Irvington 9-2914 or Lexington 2-1450 and get yourself listed for a curling date next Tuesday. We haven't had a good evening of scrub matches in some time so let's have a good turn out.

Cuyler Stevens Secretary



May 2, 1952

Here is the May issue of Duck Soup — an unprecedented event. Bill Gish has an even more unprecedented idea. He feels that we should have a monthly issue during the summer. I can stand it if you can.

Just to bring things up to date let's talk about international curling.

The first event was the Gordon International at Schenectady, held March 14 and 15. Ardsley sent two teams. Addie Hastings had Eddie Fiske and Bill May with Schenectady sub Lawrence Achilles. Addie skipped the first match against Huntingdon and won. Eddie took care of the second and lost to Lennoxville. The other Ardsley power-house lined up with Stevens as skip, Shaw, Weston and Sheets. This group won the first match against Ottawa by one shot, with the skip winning it on his last heave which would be a very fine thing except that he thought there were still two ends to go! Our next match was against Pointe Claire, a wonderful bunch of guys who took us by a four-stone margin.

Despite the fact that Ardsley didn't help the U.S. cause much, the Americans won the medal.

Ardsley entered a brand new event when Addie Hastings took a team to Montreal to play for the Centennial Trophy. The other men were Eddison, Shaw and Thorndike. This Ardsley team won one match and lost three.

"With Wolf At Quebec"

Ask Mr. Hastings or Mr. May to show you a copy of the above opus penned by Henry Shepherd. This is a true account of the Quebec Bonspiel. When I tell you that the other man on the rink was Lee McCullough, you will be a little surprised to learn who "Wolf" actually was.

Annual Dinner A Huge Success

Ardsley wound up the Fear with a flourish, holding the Closing Dinner at the Ardsley Country Club on March 12. The winning skips received their pins, Jimmy Beggs sang beautifully and Addie and Eddie gave us a story of the Scottish trip that must have been terrific.

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers:

President - William H. Gish, Jr.
Vice President - Albert Shaw, Jr.
Secretary - Cuyler Stevens
Assistant Secretary - Carl Von Bernuth
Treasurer - Ward Van Alstyne

My address for the next two weeks will be Herizons, Bermuda, Bahama Islands. If you are in the neighborhood, drop in and have a drink with us.

> Cuyler Stevens Secretary