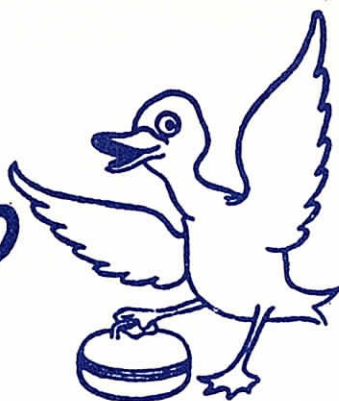


Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



1972-73 No. I

July 29, 1972

Remember curling? It may be hard to adjust your thinking back to terms such as rink, house, skip, and hack if the temperature remains in the 90's as it is as this issue of DUCK SOUP is going to press. But, along with brownouts and blackouts, there are Golfspiels and Iceless Bonspiels and many other curling news events to be reported. Maybe reading about a few items along this line will let your mind wander back to those blustery winter days of the past curling season and those which we can expect next winter when we will again get together to cope with those challenging rocks.

ADD HASTINGS

We don't like to have to start off the year with sad news so it is with deep sorrow that we report the sudden death of Add Hastings. He died in Booth Bay Harbor, Maine, on June 9th.

It is hard to express in words what Add meant to and did for the Ardsley Curling Club. Truly, he was one of our most active, enthusiastic and renowned members, having represented the Club in many parts of the world. He joined the Club in 1935, three years after its founding, and on April 19th of this year was made an honorary life member.

During the thirty-seven years of his curling career he held the presidency of our Club and of the Grand National Curling Club of America and was vice-president of the Royale Caledonian Curling Club of Scotland. Add also served as a director of the U.S. Men's Curling Association. In addition to being an honorary life member of the Ardsley Curling Club he was also an honorary life member of the New York Caledonian Curling Clubs, the Grand National Curling Club and the Canadian Branch of the Royale Caledonian Curling Clubs.

Add Hastings was the type of person, friend, sportsman, and leader, both on and off the ice, whose memory will long be remembered and respected by all who knew him.

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So - even though it's summer please don't forget us - keep your eye out for likely prospects among your summer friends. Boating, swimming, golfing, tennis, or just relaxing and tippling may be the time to suggest a great winter sport - curling (and tippling).

In the meantime, if you have any questions or suggestions, call or write Bob Hill (Home: 914-591-9007 - Office: 212-884-2200), Ardsley Ave. West, Irvington-on-Hudson, New York 10533.

FINANCES

While our faithful and overworked Treasurer, Joe Curi, has not yet finished compiling his results for the fiscal year just closed, he has indicated that during the past season our cash expenditures roughly exceeded our cash receipts by \$1,000. The excess of outlays over receipts was more than accounted for by unusually heavy expenditures on maintenance of the building and equipment. In addition to an expensive painting job on the steelwork supporting the roof of the building, we had a number of costly emergency repairs to the refrigeration and related equipment, and we finally (we hope), but at considerable cost, cured the leaking gutter along the west side of the building. We also hope that this level of maintenance expenditures will not be experienced again--at least not in the near future.

As the members are aware, we have relied heavily in the past two years on volunteer services of members of the Club in connection with many aspects of the operation of the rink. In 1970-71, Add Hastings performed substantially all of the labor required with the assistance of other members, and in 1971-72 Harry Thompson and others on his committee spent a great deal of volunteer time, although in 1971-72 we did make a somewhat larger outlay for labor in connection with maintenance of the ice. This dependence on the volunteer services of members is not, in the judgment of the Board, a satisfactory permanent basis for operating the Club. Accordingly, for the coming season we have arranged (for a trial period of one year) to employ a trained ice maker from Canada who will be with us through the entire season. Not only should our ice operation be improved, but we feel that we will receive some ancillary benefits from having in our midst a young ice maker who is himself an experienced curler and who will be in attendance at the rink most of the time. Necessarily, the engagement of this man is going to increase our labor cost substantially. This prospective increase in turn re-emphasizes the importance of every member's devoting himself to the vital task of increasing the size of our membership.

GOLFSPIEL

The annual Ardsley-Nutmeg-St. Andrew's Golfspiel will be held this year on Thursday, October 12th (rain date October, 19th) at the Ardsley Country Club with the Ardsley Curling Club as the host.

All male members from the three curling clubs are invited to compete for the Club Championship to be decided by the five best low gross scores turned in by the members of each club. The mighty "Dailey Shillelagh" will be awarded to the individual with the low gross score as evidence of his prowess. This highly prized award will be exhibited in the winner club trophy case for the coming year.

We will also invite as our guests the members of Mahopac, Caledonian, and the Canadian Curling Club of New York.

~~The golf competition (and fun for the hackers) will be followed~~ by cocktails and one of Ardsley's famous dinners, with cocktail hour starting at 6:30 pm and dinner served at 8:00 pm.

Make up your own foursome or join up with others on the tee; you can arrange to play from 10:00 am or by calling Len Warriner, Chairman, (914 591-8721 or 212 832-1530). Individual entry blanks will be mailed to all invited participants early in September. However, to help the Committee in their planning -- Don't Wait -- Sign up now!

ICELESS BONSPIEL

Another date to reserve for late summer is the week-end of September 8th through the 10th. (The week-end following Labor Day.) The Grand National Iceless Bonspiel will be held at the Whiteface Inn in Lake Placid, New York. This event will afford a great opportunity to blend your summer activities into the next curling season.

Activities will include golf (competing for the Ardsley Bowl), quoits, partying and an all-round good time.

Reservation forms may be obtained from Bill Johnson (914 591-9157 or 212 244-8000).

THORNDIKE TROPHY

The awards committee has been working on the design of an appropriate trophy for the Thorndike competition. This design appears to be in advanced stage, and I believe the trophy will be a most appropriate and attractive one. The Thorndike Trophy is being given to the Club for the Thorndike competition by curling friends of the late Ashley Thorndike. Any member wishing to contribute to the trophy may do so by sending a check to Joe Curie.

You will recall that the N.Y. Caledonian rink skipped by Ken Cooper won the first competition for the Thorndike Trophy this past winter. When the trophy design has been completed, the trophy executed and the medals are in hand, we will hold an appropriate ceremony to present the medals to Ken and His rink.

TEENAGE CURLING

For the past three years Fran and Ron Currie have very faithfully and almost single-handedly taken the responsibility of running our teenage program, and it has been a most successful one. This year, quite properly, the Curries have asked that they be relieved. Your Board has been attempting to find appropriate leadership for this group for the coming season. We feel that the teenage program has been successful, and if at all possible we wish to continue it. At the present time, however, we have not resolved the question of who is to take this responsibility. In the opinion of the Board, this responsibility should be taken by those parents who have children participating in the teenage program. While we would hate to see the teenage program discontinued, we must have responsible leadership if it is to be continued. Arden and Earl Frederick are trying to work out some solution to this problem and I hope those interested in seeing teenage curling continue to function will get in touch with the Fredericks to indicate their interest and to help resolve the problem.

DUCK SOUP -- MORE TO COME

We will be coming out with the second issue of DUCK SOUP in September to let you know what's in store for the coming year. By then, the committees should be pretty well lined up and schedules of fall events available so that we can give you a complete report on these items. There are plenty of opportunities available to serve your club so if you would like to help give Dick Wells a call. Also in the next issue, we will include our annual financial report as well as a forecast of projected expenditures and receipts for the coming year.

If any committee chairmen wish to include an item in the next issue, forward same to Marshall Cook before September 15th. Remember, we need new members so--Start talking curling NOW. Have a very happy summer.

ARDSLEY CURLING CLUB



POST OFFICE BOX 128
ARDSLEY-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK 10503

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More news and letters will follow in September.

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THE ARDSLEY CURLING CLUB, INC.
BALANCE SHEET AS AT JULY 31, 1972

A S S E T S

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash in Banks:			
County Trust Company - General Fund	\$	2,419.11	
County Trust Company - Savings		3,432.52	
Sunnyside Savings & Loan Ass'n.		<u>131.87</u>	
Total Cash in Banks	\$	5,983.50	
Accounts Receivable-Ardsley Country Club, Inc.		2,613.61	
Inventory-at Cost-as Submitted		2,073.98	
Unexpired Insurance		<u>644.50</u>	
<u>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</u>			\$ 11,315.59

FIXED ASSETS

	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Balance	
Rink	\$ 136,647.07	\$ 49,707.88	\$86,939.19	
Rink Equipment	21,273.04	14,845.43	6,427.61	
Curling Equipment	4,543.27	4,224.52	318.75	
Furniture & Fixtures	3,178.18	2,906.56	271.62	
Total	<u>\$ 165,641.56</u>	<u>\$ 71,684.39</u>	<u>\$93,957.17</u>	93,957.17
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>				\$ <u>105,272.76</u>

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	48.72	
Accrued Expenses		<u>891.33</u>	
<u>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>			\$ 940.05

LONG TERM DEBT

First Mortgage - Sunnyside Federal & Loan Ass'n.	\$26,367.11	
Members Notes - "A"	26,550.00	
" " - "B"	40,450.00	
" " - "C"	<u>6,000.00</u>	
<u>TOTAL LONG TERM DEBT</u>		99,367.11

<u>SPECIAL FUND</u> - Ashley Thorndike Memorial Fund	180.80
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SURPLUS

<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</u>	<u>4,784.80</u>
	\$ <u>105,272.76</u>

THE ARDSLEY CURLING CLUB, INC.
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JULY 31, 1972 and JULY 31, 1971

	<u>July 31, 1972</u>	<u>July 31, 1971</u>
<u>INCOME FROM OPERATIONS</u>		
Sales to Members	\$ 428.65	\$ 808.10
Assessments	-	2,650.00
Contributions	300.00	-
Bonspiel Income (Net)	262.04	(137.16)
Interest on Savings Accounts	195.08	198.43
<u>TOTAL INCOME FROM OPERATIONS</u>	<u>\$ 1,185.77</u>	<u>\$ 3,519.37</u>
<u>COSTS AND EXPENSES</u>		
Cost of Sales	\$ 428.65	\$ 494.79
Bookkeeping Services	1,000.00	1,000.00
Wages	4,074.00	2,286.38
Supplies	1,190.02	919.77
Fuel-Heating	314.62	312.85
Electricity	2,803.54	3,784.59
Repairs & Maintenance	4,111.21	970.41
Telephone	118.93	80.15
Stationery, Printing & Postage	580.87	620.39
Interest on Notes	1,242.00	1,115.96
Interest on Mortgage	1,657.20	2,314.63
Insurance	1,172.17	988.13
Public Accounting Fees	175.00	175.00
Bank Charges	-	3.00
Miscellaneous	45.48	-
Prizes	809.01	885.67
Depreciation	9,560.32	10,881.85
Real Estate Taxes	3,040.24	3,708.10
Association Dues	412.50	329.25
<u>TOTAL COSTS AND EXPENSES</u>	<u>32,735.76</u>	<u>30,870.92</u>
<u>NET OPERATING LOSS</u>	<u>\$(31,549.99)</u>	<u>\$(27,351.55)</u>
<u>OTHER INCOME</u>		
Membership Dues	\$ 21,665.50	\$ 21,819.96
Membership Initiation Fees	1,050.00	1,290.00
Commissions from Ardsley Country Club (25% of Bar Sales)	4,186.63	4,065.88
<u>TOTAL OTHER INCOME</u>	<u>26,902.13</u>	<u>27,175.84</u>
<u>NET LOSS FOR THE YEAR</u>	<u>\$(4,647.86)</u>	<u>\$(175.71)</u>

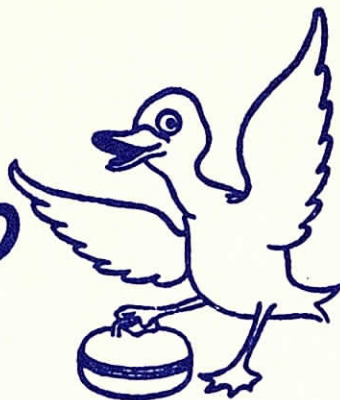
ARDSLEY CURLING CLUB
Comparison of Income and Expense - Cash Basis
Years ended July 31

	Actual 1971	Actual 1972 (1)	Proposed 1973	Increase (Decrease) vs. 1972
<u>Income</u>				
Dues	21,820	21,665	21,665	
Initiation fees	1,290	1,050	1,050	
Assessments	2,650			
Beverages - sales commission	2,803	4,187	4,187	
Total	28,563	26,902	26,902	
<u>Expenses</u>				
Services	2,286	4,074	6,000	1,926
Supplies	920	988	1,000	12
Fuel	313	315	350	35
Electricity	3,785	3,504	3,500	(4)
Repairs	970	4,821	1,500	(3,321)
Telephone	80	120	120	
Stationery and postage	620	581	650	69
Grand National dues	329	413	400	(13)
Interest on notes	1,300	1,300	1,300	
Interest on mortgage	2,315	1,681	1,600	(81)
Insurance	988	1,130	1,200	70
Bookkeeping	1,000	1,000	1,000	
Audit	175	175	175	
Trophies and prizes	886	751	750	(1)
Real estate taxes	3,708	3,943	4,400	457
Miscellaneous	-	25	-	(25)
Total	19,675	24,821	23,945	(876)
Cash income from operations	8,888	2,081	2,957	876
Payment on mortgage principal	3,500	3,907 + 3,000 26,367	4,100	193

(1) 1972 figures are complete with respect to income; certain of the expense items include estimates with respect to bills not yet received.

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1972-73 No 2

September 27, 1972

MEMBERSHIP - OUR A, NO. 1 PRIORITY...

Stop and think - right now! Have I returned my membership application to Bob Hill? Don't forget, he wants to hear from ALL members. If your answer is YES, you may skip to the next paragraph. Now, for those of you who have put off this simple task until some better time, why not sit down now and make life a little easier for your membership and curling committees.

"Sign up a new member" is Bob's plea, and I just heard a second from Joe Curi. Getting new members is really very simple. Once you invite them into the warm room and give them a chance to throw the first stone the challenge has been made. From then on they're hooked. Just think back to your own personal experience.

Bob has arranged two pre-season open house dates for us to get together and talk curling to prospective members:

Sunday - October 1st - 2:30-4:30 P.M.
An iceless at the Ardsley Country Club.

Sunday - November 5th - 2:30-4:30 P.M.
With ICE at the curling rink.

GOLFSPIEL - Thursday, October 12th

You have all received a personal invitation from Len Warriner for this day of fun and golf. Again, if you have put off sending your entry in, please do it now so that Len can finalize his plans.

A few words about the Club's financial picture from our President, Dick Wells...

"There are enclosed with this issue of 'Duck Soup' financial statements of the Club recently issued by our auditors. Included are a Balance Sheet at July 31, 1972 and Income Statements for the years ended July 31, 1972 and July 31, 1971.

"From the Balance Sheet you will note that the Club continues to be solvent. Further progress was made during the past year in reducing the amount of the outstanding mortgage, which at July 31st stood at \$26,367.11. This amount compares with the \$33,651.94 outstanding on July 31, 1971 and represents a reduction of \$7,284.30 since last year. Here's one place where heavy drinking pays off.

"Your attention is called to the Comparative Statements of Income for the two most recent fiscal years. Significant features of this comparison are:

"(1) In spite of unusually heavy attrition in our membership last year (21 members retired), we were able as the result of the fine effort of Bob Hill and the Membership Committee to hold our own with respect to members and to revenue from dues income. Initiation fee revenue was somewhat lower than the previous year, reflecting our more liberal payment plan for initiation fees.

"(2) Our expenses were higher, reflecting primarily the higher labor costs incurred in 1972 and much higher outlays for repairs and maintenance. You will recall that in 1971 virtually all of the work on our ice was done by Add Hastings and other Club members on a volunteer basis. In 1972, although Harry Thompson did a great deal of volunteer work, we did have paid help in regular attendance. Repairs and maintenance were sharply higher in the 1972 period than for the previous year (\$4,821 as compared with \$970). This increase reflected in part the fact that in 1971 we deferred some maintenance, and accordingly, costs for that year were lower than normal. But the increase was primarily attributable to extraordinary costs which we incurred in connection with (a) the necessary painting of the steel trusses which support the roof over the ice, (b) correction of a troublesome leak all along the gutter on the west side of the building over the access walkway to the rink, and (c) extraordinary costs in connection with repairing the ice making and related equipment. We expect that this heavy maintenance work is behind us, and that with repairs which have been completed over the past summer, our ice making machinery will be in first class condition for the coming season and maintenance expenses will be greatly reduced.

"For the new curling season the Board has budgeted income, including primarily dues and initiation revenues, at the same level as achieved a year ago and has planned a slight decline in operating outlays. For the reasons mentioned maintenance costs should be lower by about \$3,300. To a large extent this gain will be offset by the extra money we expect to spend in contracting for the services of an experienced Canadian ice maker to take care of the entire building operation. In the coming season, for the first time in our history, we are engaging a fully qualified and experienced man to be in charge of making and maintaining the ice. We expect that Ardsley will have even better ice than in the past and that the labor part of our operation will be greatly improved. Our new ice man is Larry Richardson from Riceton, Saskatchewan. He has been in charge of the ice at the St. George Club in Toronto for the past several years and he comes to us with the highest recommendation. We believe that he will bring us several pluses: not only is he a qualified ice maker; he also knows a great deal about the game of curling.

"Our present cash forecast shows revenue of \$26,900 from dues, initiation fees and beverage sales based on maintaining our present membership. Cash expenditures for operations including interest on debt are projected at \$23,945. This leaves a cash balance of \$2,955 which compares with anticipated payments on the mortgage during the year of \$4,100. On this basis, we will incur a cash reduction of \$1,150 during the year. However, we hope that with a sufficient new membership effort from Club members at large, we will be able to increase our total membership and correspondingly increase our revenues from dues and initiation fees at least to a point which will permit a balance between cash income and outgo. Because of the great importance that expansion in membership has for our ability to conduct a successful operation of the Club, not only financially but also from the standpoint of activity and organization, I urge each member to give his most serious attention to the matter of identifying and bringing to the attention of our Membership Committee new prospects for membership. Not only do we need to find replacements for the normal attrition in members which results every year from moves from the area, retirements, etc., but we also want to achieve this year a net gain over last year equivalent to at least ten full dues paying members or proportionately more in terms of junior, mixed and lady members. The Board particularly wants to avoid having to impose an assessment at the end of the year. This can surely be accomplished if we make a sufficient effort to find new members."

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!



IT'S CURLING TIME AGAIN-----ALMOST. WELL-----, AT LEAST IT'S TIME TO GET READY FOR CURLING. Therefore we enclose a schedule of dues and initiation fees (both of which remain the same as last year) and two membership application blanks. Please fill in one for yourself and return it to me as soon as possible. This is the only way we will know if you and your family intend to curl this year and if your address and phone numbers are the same as in last year's roster.

NOW-----TAKE THE SECOND APPLICATION BLANK AND

SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER.....Send this one along to me also, or bring it and your new member to the.....

PRE SEASON OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY.....OCTOBER 1st.....

2:30 to 4:30.....at the ARDSLEY COUNTRY CLUB

Remember that new members, without previous curling experience, do not have to pay an initiation fee during their first season of curling but may spread it equally over the next two seasons.

We hope all curlers, with or without a prospective member, will attend this affair to renew old friendships, get the season off to a SLIDING start (forward of course), and to practice that ancient art of STACKING BROOMS...

Bob Hill

*Marshall
If you are going
to get another
Duff Soup out
before the 1st, please
mention the
Open House
Bob*

ARDSLEY CURLING CLUB

Ardsley - Nutmeg - St. Andrews Golfspiel
Thursday, October 12, 1972 (Rain date - October 19)

It is Ardsley's turn to host the Golfspiel, for those curlers of all three clubs who also enjoy a bit of competition with wee rubber rocks, metal brooms, green ice and houses far apart. We welcome the Canadians, Caledonians, and Mahopacs, too.

Total strokes for the five lowest gross scores turned in by each of the three competing clubs will determine the winner of the trophy for the coming year. The individual Low Gross permanent trophy is the handsome Dailey Shillelagh. In addition, there will be a trophy for Low Net and other prizes for gross, net, closest to the pin, etc. Medal play will be by the Callaway System for those not having up-to-date M.G.A. handicaps.

Play can begin from 0900. Make up your own foursome ahead of time, or your Committee will try to arrange a game for you at the time you specify on your entry.

Send your entry in now ! Checks should be made payable to the Ardsley Curling Club. Carts (\$ 12.00 double) and caddies (\$ 7.00 per bag) will be available. Those using carts are requested to pay the caddie in the same foursome \$ 1.00 each.

If fifty(50) firm reservations are made, Ardsley will serve us one of its fine dinners. For late reservations, starting times and questions, 'phone me at 914-591-8721 or 212-832-1530.

Len Warriner, Chairman
Box 91
Ardsley on Hudson, N.Y. 10503

Tear on Line

GOLFSPIEL

Ardsley Country Club

6341 yards Par 71

Enclosed

Entry fee and prizes	\$ 6.00
Lunch	4.00
Greens Fee	10.00
Dinner	10.00

My M.G.A. Handicap is _____
I have no official handicap _____
I would like to start about _____
I expect to play with _____

_____ strokes

_____ M

Signed: _____
Club : _____

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1972-73

October 24, 1972

MEMBERSHIP

Please! Don't forget Sunday, November 5th, from 2 to 5 P.M. at the Curling Club - the time to bring your friends, business associates, neighbors and anyone else you can entice into an afternoon of fun and an introduction to curling.

Our success, both from a financial standpoint and adequate numbers of people to fill all rinks, depends upon you! Let's fill the Warm Room and our Guaranteed Ice with new faces.

Also - whether you have a guest or not - please come to the Open House - the more the merrier.

CURLING - WE'RE READY!

Men's Curling Begins November 8. The 1972-73 season will open on Wednesday, November 8 with Blanton matches. The Wilds and Colgan events will begin the weekend of November 11. Skips will be advised of rink assignments and schedules by November 3.

King of the Hill Competition. This year we are introducing a new men's competition called "King of the Hill". It is intended to provide competitive conditioning for those teams that expect to compete in District, State and bonspiel events. This event will consist of a single match each Tuesday night where a challenging team plays the "King of the Hill". The winner becomes "King" until defeated. Ed Brandt, who skipped the winning rink at the Ardsley Bonspiel and the New York State championship, will start as "King of the Hill" and accept challenges for the opening match on Tuesday, November 14. Any questions concerning rules of this competition should be directed to him.

Intracub Bonspiel December 1-3. Ardsley will have a men's intracub bonspiel similar to the Washington Irving on the weekend of December 1-3. A dinner for all club members and wives will be held Saturday, December 2. Further details will be provided later.

BUILDING

Our new professional ice man and curler, Larry Richardson, has arrived and has the ice well under way. All are in agreement that we will have the best ice in the area ready by the first week in November. (Perhaps even by Oct. 28th.) Larry reports to Ed Doonan, our Building Chairman. If, by some remote chance, you have a complaint or wish to recommend an improvement in any phase of the building operation, please funnel through Ed Doonan.

WORKDAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

Our House Chairman, Ed Doonan, would like to thank those volunteers who came up to the Rink on Sunday, October 15, to get the place in shape for the coming season: Wells, Gelston, Patterson, Hand, Hewett, Joe Keenan, Havens, Shirk and Ryan; Our new ice man, Larry Richardson, was also there.

You wouldn't think there would be much to do, but there was. The 400 feet of baseboard were scraped and painted with two coats. The lower portion of the wall around the ice was painted. All the 110 chairs were cleaned, polished and set in place. The bar, glasses, cabinets, tables and desk were cleaned, polished and set in place. All ceiling lights over the rink were checked and replaced where needed. It was a busy day from 10:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

MEN'S OPENING DINNER

You've all been notified about this one and returned your acceptance cards to George Shirk. So - will expect to see you all on Friday, October 27th, at 6:30 P.M.

LADIES LUNCHEON

Fran Currie, Ladies Curling President, is looking forward to seeing all ladies at their luncheon at noon on Friday, October 27th.

RIP VAN WINKLE BONSPIEL

The annual Rip Van Winkle Bonspiel for people in communications will be held at the Ardsley Curling Club on Friday, December 8, from 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. The qualification "Communications" can be pretty broad if you are interested. Contact: Burns Patterson, Ed Brandt, Lee Heffner.....

MEN'S CURLING EVENTS

Particularly for the benefit of the newer members, the Curling Committee wants to explain the various club competitions and the selection of Skips and Rinks. In the first half of the season, November to mid-January, there are three competitions:

BLANTON - weeknites, intraclub competition for all curlers. This event is a twelve-team round robin. The Committee selects two new Skips each year to replace the #11 and #12 Skips of last year who drop out. The #1 and #2 Blanton Skips automatically move up to the senior intraclub competition (Windler) in the second half, and the skips who finish in the last two places in that competition move back to the Blanton the following year.

WILDS - weekend, interclub competition against St. Andrew's, N.Y. Caledonian and Mahopac teams. This competition is a sixteen-team round robin, with Ardsley entering five teams of senior curlers. These five rinks have co-skips who are considered to be the ten highest rated curlers in our club.

COLGAN - weekend, intraclub competition for junior curlers. This event will be a five-team round robin comprised of all Ardsley curlers who are not in the Wilds competition. Skips are selected by the Committee on the basis of ratings and consideration of giving experience to junior curlers who generally have had little experience as Skips.

RATING SYSTEM - At the end of each curling season, all Skips submit a rating for all curlers whom they feel qualified to rate. These submittals are averaged for each person and that average becomes his rating for the next season. These ratings are used by the Curling Committee in selection of Skips and in making up the teams. Although admittedly this rating system is imperfect, it does assist the Committee in trying to balance the teams so that each team is comprised of curlers with nearly equal experience and ability. New curlers have no rating and are arbitrarily assigned to teams. These ratings are only for use by the Committee and are not divulged to members outside the Committee.

Burns Patterson,

~~Ed Brandt~~, Chairman of the Curling Committee, would be glad to answer any questions you may have concerning the above.

MIXED CURLING

The Doonans announce that Mixed Curling will commence on the evening of Friday, November 10th. The rinks and schedule will be mailed out shortly.

Ardsley Curling Club
1972-1973

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President - Fran Currie

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THE NEXT OPEN HOUSE IS ON

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, FROM 2:00 TO 5:00 P.M.

AT THE CURLING CLUB

WE'LL HAVE ICE * * * *

WE'LL HAVE CURLING * * * *

WE'LL HAVE A BAR * * * *

WE'LL HAVE A MOVIE * * * *

WHAT WE MAY NOT HAVE-----IS CURLERS

UNLESS YOU BRING SOME WITH YOU

WHICH IS WHAT WE HOPE YOU'LL DO

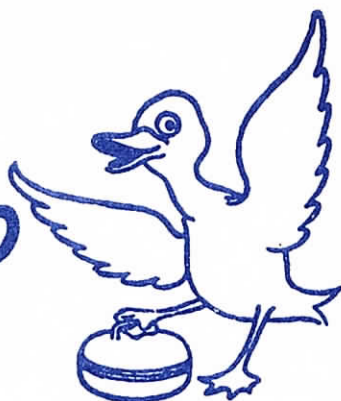
If you haven't already made arrangements to bring a prospect with you, please get busy and do so now. Our resignations are running much higher than anticipated and unless we take in a large number of new members both the budget and the schedule will be in bad shape.

And please, if you haven't sent in your own application, do it right away.

Bob Hill

Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



1972-73 No. 4

November 14, 1972

CONGRATULATIONS !

To all those persons who have done such a magnificent job in preparing our curling club for the 1972-73 season. Ed Doonan, the chairman of the building committee, should be first to stand up and take a bow for this excellent effort. The second round of applause goes to Joe Curi, our efficient keeper of the funds, overseer that the funds are expended with frugality, auditor of the Country Club's bookkeeping system and chief bartender who ascertained that the work was properly performed in the most efficient manner and who, incidently, also spent many hours in the spit and polish brigade. And the ice - all are in high praise of the talents of our professional ICEMAKER, Larry Richardson. Not only is the ice a picturebook example of the perfect curling rink, it also curls to perfection in spite of the 100% humidity conditions which the weatherman has presented us with these past two weeks. Our sincere thanks to those few who have done so much.

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 5th - WHAT A DAY

Bob Hill's publicity campaign was a rounding success as about eighty new prospective curlers were present at the club for an introduction to curling. In every corner of the warm room groups were formed where an Ardsley member was describing the lingo and techniques of the intricate act of curling. And all afternoon Ron Currie and his instruction committee were kept busy on the ice patiently conducting lesson number one. There was great enthusiasm displayed by all present --

BUT - to date only about 7 or 8 new members have signed up. Will every member who brought guests please follow up with a phone call. Maybe a little more encouragement is all that's needed. Or, perhaps invite them to the club again some Tuesday evening (except Nov. 21 and Dec. 5) for a follow-up lesson to whet their desire for curling. The success of this curling season is dependent upon our getting new members. Please do your part.

GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE

Copies of the Grand National Schedule for 1972-73 are available on the desk in the warm room. It contains a list of all Grand National Curling Clubs and the men's and mixed bonspiels scheduled for this season. There is a sufficient quantity available for each family to have a single copy.

ICHABOD CRANE BONSPIEL Dec. 7-10, 1972

This new intra-club bonspiel has been scheduled for the weekend of December 7-10, 1972. Play will be on Thursday and Friday evenings, all day Saturday, Sunday morning and the Grand Champion playoffs on Sunday afternoon. You all remember the enjoyable time we had at the Washington Irving last season. So let's all sign up on the enclosed card today. Please note that this event is open to all "MEN" curlers including those men who curl mixed only.

Yes, the ladies are involved also, because there will be a cocktail party and dinner on Saturday evening and we expect that a large female cheering section will be on hand Sunday afternoon to cheer for their favorite rinks.

There will be more in the next issue, but please "Sign Up Now" so that your committees won't have to burn the midnight oil to make this a success.

MIXED CURLING

First competition, which will be strictly for fun, starts Friday, Nov. 17th, at 8:15 P.M. This 3-weekend event will take place on Fridays at 8:15 P.M., Saturdays at 5:15 P.M. and on Sundays at 3:00 and 5:00 P.M. Schedules will be mailed out on Tuesday, November 14th. If you are unable to curl at the appointed time - you are responsible for getting your own substitute couple. (This isn't leave-it-up-to-the-skips year.) If you have any questions please call Anita and Ed Doonan at 591-8191.

ONE MORE REMINDER

The Rip Van Winkle Bonspiel is scheduled for all communicators at the Ardsley Curling Club on Dec. 8th at 9:00 A.M. This year's beneficiary is the "Echo Hills Mental Health Services". If you want a full day of fun, take the day off and get warmed up for the Ichabod Crane.

LADIES CURLING

We didn't have the list of the ladies committees when we went to press with the last issue. But, we do now, so - all you ladies - here is the organization which makes ladies curling a success.

President
1st Vice President and
Sports Chairwoman
2nd Vice President and
Bonspiel Chairwoman
Secretary
Treasurer
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Publicity Chairwoman
House Chairwoman
Rules Chairwoman and USWCA
Representative
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Prize Chairwoman
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Jinny Hill
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Florence Mattison Frances Garred
Jane Wells
Margaret-Wiesenthal Betsy Fister
Vonda Ficalora
Jean MacIntosh
Sirkka Whitman

I'm sure that if any other lady would care to curl that they can find one more chairwoman's committee available.

INSTRUCTION - COME AND GET IT

Ron Currie has lined up an instruction committee this year that reads like the who's who of curling. Every Tuesday evening, except Nov. 21 and Dec. 5, they will be available to teach new as well as old members all they know about curling. Everyone is welcome, ladies, mixed and men. There will be two rinks available for instruction and as an extra side attraction the best of the Ardsley Curlers will be competing in the King of the Hill competition on the number 1 ice. This will give you the opportunity to learn by doing as well as learning by watching.

Instruction Committee

Chairman Ron Currie
Jim Christie
Bob Hill
Ed Sibert
Dick Wells
Don Wismer

LOST OR LEAVE ANYTHING BEHIND?

Ed Doonan has stacked on top of the lockers an assortment of shoes, jackets, pants, girdles, sock, gloves and everything else he found in the locker room. If anyone wants to claim any of these articles please do so before Dec. 1st. After that date the Salvation Army is going to get a bonanza.

NEW MEMBERS

The following persons have joined the Curling Club as of November 12th. Their names and addresses will appear in the '72-'73 Roster which will be going to press shortly.

Mrs. Edgar Bolduc, Jr. (Ann) - Ladies
Mr. & Mrs. Horst Caspers (Barbara) - Mixed
Mrs. William G. Chase (Frances) - Ladies
Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Citarell (June) - Mixed
Mr. & Mrs. J. Thomas Corry (Louise) - Mixed
Mr. Philip S. Cronkhite - Men's
Mrs. Frank J. Enright (Lilla) - Ladies
Mrs. Frances Garred - Ladies
Mr. Edmund Godbold - Men's
Mr. & Mrs. Heinz Haussmann (Ida) - Mixed
Mrs. Harold F. Meszaros (Carol) - Ladies
Mr. & Mrs. Paul R. Mort (Isabelle) - Mixed
Mr. & Mrs. William P. Roy (Douglas) - Men's & Mixed
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Sawaya (Janet) - Mixed
Mr. & Mrs. Walter T. Thomas (Jane) - Mixed

Let's all give them an enthusiastic and warm welcome to our curling fraternity.

NAME PLATES

If new members (or even an old member with a new name) would like to order an Ardsley Curling Club name plate (such as is worn by most of our curlers) please sign up on sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Warm Room. Print your name exactly as you wish it to appear.

ONE MORE TIME

The "Open House" of November 5th is a thing of the past. The turnout was sensational - perhaps even too large for our facilities on a one-shot basis. Guests were standing in line, and probably freezing to death in the process, while waiting for an opportunity to throw a stone. The instructors did a fine job but there just wasn't enough time or ice available.

At any rate, the number of new members who have joined us as a result of our "Open House" still leaves us with a long way to go to fill up our ice.

So - please take advantage of the Tuesday evening sessions or the open ice available on weekends (check the master schedule on the bulletin board) to bring your friends over to try out the ice.

We can still accommodate men and ladies into the current schedule of events and the first mixed event will be over in a few weeks at which time new couples can be fitted in.

CURLING

Ed Brandt and his curling committee, after long hours of decision and horsework, have assigned all members to rinks and the season is underway. After the first week of curling the standings are as follows:

WILDS

		<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
A3	Stewart, Sibert	2	0
A4	Whitman, Warriner	2	0
A5	Currie-Nolan	2	0
A1	FISLER - WELLS	1	1
A2	BRANDT - DOONAN	1	1
<u>BLANTON</u>			
B1	Wright	1	0
B3	Doonan	1	0
B5	Currie	1	0
B6	Hill ✓	1	0
B9	Stewart	1	0
B11	Christie	1	0
B2	MacKenzie	0	1
B4	Nolan ✓	0	1
B7	Fisler	0	1
B8	Warriner	0	1
B10	Wisner	0	1
B12	Shirk	0	1

Two Blanton matches won by default.

COLGAN

C1	Galloway	1	0
C4	Vanderheiden RAI	1	0
C2	Patterson	0	1
C3	Kemp ROSSING	0	1
C5	8 No matches		
	HAVENS		

Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



1972-73 No. 5

November 30, 1972

ICHABOD CRANE BONSPIEL CANCELLED!

About 25 Ardsley curlers will be disappointed to learn that the Ichabod Crane Intra-club Bonspiel scheduled for December 7-10, 1972, has been cancelled. The chief reason for the cancellation is lack of support from club members. It would take 48 participants to make this event a success and only about one-half that number had responded with an affirmative answer by last week, hence, the cancellation. Our thanks are extended to the Curling Committee, and particularly to Harold Haff, who had already spent many hours in preparation. We can still look forward to the Headless Horseman Bonspiel and, next time, let's support our club 100%.

A REMINDER

Those who have signed up for the Rip Van Winkle Bonspiel to be held at the Ardsley Curling Club on December 8th should again check their schedules and make sure the date is jotted down.

NAME PLATES

There is still time to sign up for a name tag on the bulletin board in the Warm Room. The weekend of Dec 1 and 2 will be your last chance.

CURLING PINS, ETC.

Curling pins, ties, emblems and lighters are available for sale in the Warm Room. See Joe Curi. The Doonans and the Pattersons also have a supply of pins for emergencies.

COURTESY ON THE ICE

Last season our President, Dick Wells, wrote an excellent article for Duck Soup expressing his thoughts about the good manners of curling. It seems appropriate to again this year republish these words as a reminder to ourselves that we can occasionally

forget. Following these simple courtesies will make curling that much more enjoyable for the members of our own rink as well as those of our opponents.

1. The player making the shot and the skip calling the shot are entitled to the fullest opportunity to concentrate without any distraction from other players in the same game. This means specifically: (a) that if you are waiting your turn to play next, you should stand up on the platform off the ice, back of your opponent and out of his vision. You should keep completely still until he has delivered his stone. Several times recently I have noticed while a player was about to deliver his stone his opposite number walking around on the ice behind and beside him, moving stones and otherwise creating a distraction; (b) If you are waiting your turn to sweep when the opponent is about to deliver his stone, you should stand as far to the side of the sheet as possible, well out of the line of vision of the player and his skip, and you should keep absolutely still while the stone is being delivered; and (c) If you are in the house area, either as skip or vice-skip, when your opponents are about to deliver a stone, you should take a position behind and to the side of the opposite skip, you should hold your broom in a horizontal position and should keep completely still. Remember please: only one player on each side (the skip or his vice) is entitled to be on the ice and in the house area at any one time.

2. Be ready to play when your turn comes. This means (unless your skip has to confer with you at the house end of the rink -- which, incidentally, is justified only occasionally, and then is usually confined to thirds and skips) that you should go to the platform at the rear of the hack and wait there until your opponent has delivered his stone. Then you should prepare immediately to deliver your own stone. We have some members -- veterans at that -- who are never ready, who wait at the opposite hog line until their opponent has played, and then saunter slowly down to the hack, change their rubbers or perform some other business and generally take their own sweet time about getting ready to play. In this connection, may I say that it is my personal view, which others may not share, that the practice which has crept into the game in the past ten years whereby so many players feel obliged to move their opponent's stone out of the corner prior to delivery of their own stone is a great waste of time and may not actually be the courtesy intended. Many players prefer to pick their own stone out of the corner rather than have an opponent pick one out for them. If you must pick out your opponent's stone, wait until you have delivered your own stone.

3. A suggestion for all skips, particularly the more experienced skips. We have a number of competitions designed to give less experienced skips the opportunity to learn this difficult art. The spirit of these competitions is that experienced skips

playing in other positions on rinks being managed by younger skips refrain during the actual play of an end from detailed coaching or other interference with the skip in charge of the rink. Regardless of his skill as a player or as a skip, the designated skip of your rink is entitled to your full support during the play of any particular game. This means that you counsel him when asked, but you do not inflict or impose your own views on him while he is calling a shot for you or others, deciding about his own shot or playing his stone. In my experience, there is nothing more likely to detract from the ability of a skip to make his own shot than to be second-guessed by other members of his rink, particularly if these members happen to be players of greater experience. The time for coaching a junior skip is preferably before or after the game or between ends, but not while play is in progress.

4. I have been surprised to observe some players applauding a miss by their opponents. Brooms up is for good shots, your teammates' or opponents', but never, please, for misses.

I hope these suggestions will be helpful and will add to our enjoyment of the game.

DON'T FORGET TUESDAYS

Now that the season is well under way we may get a little complacent about our curling skills. But, as you look around, there are many of us who could use some practice and instruction from Ron Currie and his committee of experts. Let them point out those bad habits you may have picked up under the pressure of competition.

ROSTER ADDITIONS

Please add the following members to your roster:

Mr. Wayne Jaeschke (M)
Kitchawan Road
Ossining, New York 10562 (914) 941-1114 (203) 226-1511

Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Jaynes (Associate)
Woodstock, Vermont 05091 (802) 457-2249

LADIES CURLING

Ladies curling is well underway. The Broom Closet Mixer, the first event, will conclude this week to be followed by the Wick-Wells which will begin on December 6th.

Plans are already being made for the Ladies Bonspiel which will be held at Ardsley on the 13th, 14th and 15th of February. Ellen Boldt, Bonspiel Chairman, and her committee are hard at work on what promises to be an outstanding event.

We are all so proud of the imaginative decorations devised by our House Chairman, Florence Mattison. Surely everyone has enjoyed being greeted by her friendly "Welcome Curlers" sign - and perhaps has curled a little better for it!

CURLING - MENS' STANDINGS

After three weeks of competition only three Ardsley rinks remain unbeaten. Ed Doonan and Bob Hill in the Blanton and Chuck Galloway in the Colgan retain this honor. Two Wilds matches played at Ardsley were not entered in the book. These matches have been rated as $\frac{1}{2}$ points for a win and $\frac{1}{2}$ for a loss.

	<u>BLANTON</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
B3 Doonan		3	0
B6 R. Hill		3	0
B1 Wright		2	1
B2 MacKenzie		2	1
B7 Fisler		2	1
B5 Currie		1	2
B8 Warriner		1	2
B9 Stewart		1	2
B10 Wismer		1	2
B11 Christie		1	2
B12 Shirk		1	2
B4 Nolan		0	3

	<u>WILDS</u>		
A4 Whitman-Warriner		5	1
C1		5	1
C3		5	1
S1		4	2
C2		4	2
A5 Currie-Nolan		3 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
S3		3	3
A1 Fisler-Wells		3	3
A3 Stewart-Sibert		3	3
S4		3	3
A2 Brandt-Doonan		2	4
M1		2	4
M2		2	4
S2		1	5
S5		1	5
M3		1 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$

	<u>COLGAN</u>		
C1 Galloway		3	0
C3 Roesing		2	1
C2 Patterson		1	2
C4 Ray		1	2
C5 Havens		1	2

Ardley Curling Club



MIXED CURLING SECOND EVENT

POST OFFICE BOX 128

Rink Assignments

ARDSLEY-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK 10503

1. Patterson - Roy
2. MacKenzie - Waters
3. Ray - Eager
4. MacIntosh - Hughes
5. Sibert - Casper
6. Crockett - P. Murphy
7. Wells - Leaf
8. Doonan - Thomas
9. Cook - Huttman
10. Currie - Mort

11. Fisler - R. Murphy
12. Self - Auspitz
13. Hill - Sawaya
14. Whitman - Citarell
15. Christie - Koch
16. Ewig - Zabriskie
17. Havens - Joe Keenan
18. Broadhurst - Fletcher
19. Curi-Wiesenthal - Kemp
20. Nolar - Corry

Substitutes:

Skip Couples

Ficalora
Heffner
Stedman

Lead Couples

Bernhardt
Frederick
Haussmann
Peckham

Singles

Joe Curi
Harold Haff
Larry Pike
Ken Stevenson
Mary Jean Keenan
Margaret Wiesenthal

<u>Date and Time</u>		<u>Ice 1</u>	<u>Ice 2</u>	<u>Ice 3</u>
Fri. Dec. 8	8:15 PM	15-20	2-12	6-16
Sat. Dec. 9	5:15 PM	18-19	1-10	Free
Sun. Dec. 10	3:00 PM	3-13	8-11	Free
"	5:00 PM	5-9	7-17	4-14
Fri. Dec. 15	8:15 PM	3-16	4-13	2-10
Sat. Dec. 16	5:15 PM	6-18	7-12	Free
Sun. Dec. 17	3:00 PM	8-9	Free	11-14
"	5:00 PM	5-15	1-20	17-19
Fri. Dec. 29	7:00 PM*	5-11	4-20	16-17
"	9:00 PM*	1-2	Free	15-19
Sat. Dec. 30	5:15 PM*	7-14	3-8	12-13
"	7:15 PM*	Free	9-18	6-10
Fri. Jan. 5	8:15 PM	13-17	15-16	19-20
Sat. Jan. 6	5:15 PM	Free	10-14	8-12
Sun. Jan. 7	3:00 PM	9-11	5-18	Free
"	5:00 PM	2-7	1-3	4-6

* Please note change of time due to New Year's Eve

Rules for Competition

1. Eight ends for all matches.
2. All matches must be played on time and sheet scheduled. No postponement unless due to extraordinary weather conditions, when all matches will be rescheduled.
3. Substitutions:
Absentees should arrange for their substitutes, and notify their skips promptly of such arrangements.

Substitutes should be of the same rating as the absent players. For example, a skip and #3 couple should not be used to substitute for a lead and #2 couple. A four point penalty will apply to rinks with two skip couples.

4. The person playing the #2 position on the winning team must post the scores in the mixed book. Skips are responsible to see that this is done.

PLEASE let your chairman know before January 1st if you are going to be away extensively during any event.

New Year's Eve Bonspiel

Once again we are planning a New Year's Eve Bonspiel. Competition shall consist of two ends per match, with each team playing three matches. Supper will be provided by volunteers, and there will be a modest charge to cover expenses. If you plan to attend the bonspiel, please sign up before December 15th on the sheet to be found on the bulletin board. You will be contacted to pitch in with some of the chores. The New Year's Eve Bonspiel has been a mixed curling highlight - an evening of fun and fellowship - healthy and easy on the purse strings.

Future Events

The third event will run for four week-ends as follows:
January 12th, January 26th, February 9th and February 16th.
The week-end of January 19th we will host an interclub mixed bonspiel. The week-end of February 2nd will be devoted to the Headless Horseman, an intracub men's competition.

Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



1972-73 No. 6

December 14, 1972

OPEN HOUSE

The mid-season Open House will be held on Sunday, January 7th, from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

By holding it one week earlier than in past years, the various curling committees will have more time to assign new members to teams for the second half competitions which start on or about January 13th.

Members joining in January '73 will pay only $\frac{1}{2}$ the annual dues and, if they have not curled before, will not be obligated to pay an initiation fee this year.

We will have instructors at hand, a fire on the hearth, "the movie" and spirits for all.

So - if you have any friends who you feel would enjoy curling - bring them down. Any questions - call Bob Hill at 914-591-9007.

BONSPIELS

Hanging on the bulletin board in the Warm Room are two large schedules. One is labeled Men's Bonspiels and the other Mixed Bonspiels. Across the top of each schedule are listed all the Grand National Bonspiels and dates for the 1972-1973 season. Below each scheduled Bonspiel your Curling Committee has left room for club members to sign up. It would appear from the scarcity of signatures that there may be some misunderstanding as to who is eligible to represent the Ardsley Curling Club at these events. There are probably other unanswered questions which make you hesitate from getting a rink together or signing up individually.

With the cooperation of your Curling Committee we have put together some written as well as unwritten facts about Bonspiels which may help, or even encourage, you to plan for one of these events.

What is a Bonspiel?

This may seem like a pretty basic question to many of you. But, to our new curlers, and maybe some of our more seasoned veterans, a few words of explanation may be in order. A Bonspiel is an interclub competition between rinks representing various Curling Clubs. The Bonspiel usually consists of two or three events or competitions. Every rink entered curls at least once in the main event. The winners in this event remain in the event until defeated or declared the winner or runner-up of that event. The first and second round losers in the main event start over in a second or third event. Like the main event, they remain in an event until defeated or they are the winner. One fact is certain. You will always be guaranteed plenty of curling. Socially, there are many good times which are scheduled during non-curling hours from cocktail parties to dinner dances and dinners at the homes of host club members.

In addition to the official Bonspiels scheduled during the season, many clubs schedule Friendlys between themselves or a club may invite several clubs to attend at their club. Friendlys are very similar to the Bonspiels with the exception that they usually are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday only and the winners are determined by a point system rather than by a complete playdown. This year Ardsley will have a Mixed Friendly with the Nutmeg Club. Half of the matches will be played at Ardsley and the other half at Nutmeg. Although not as formal and official as Bonspiels, Friendlys afford an excellent opportunity to curl against and meet members of other clubs on a competitive and social basis.

Who May Attend a Bonspiel?

This may be the question most members are asking. To begin with, each Bonspiel is hosted by a curling club which is a member club of the Grand National Curling Club of America. Most Bonspiels are invitational in that invitations are extended to specific clubs or to an individual. In the case of a personal invitation the person receiving it forms his own rink, also by personal invitation. If it is a club invitation, all club members of the invited club are eligible. There are absolutely no restrictions.

And now back to those schedules posted on the bulletin board. If you are a mixed couple and would like to curl in one, two or more out-of-town events, a suggestion would be to put your names on the schedule to let the Curling Committee know of your intentions. Ardsley Curling Club receives an invitation to send at least one rink to every Bonspiel and, of course, we would like to have Ardsley represented at every Grand National Event. If you

have a complete rink, get your names down as soon as possible since the host club must be notified of your intentions at least 2 weeks in advance of the Bonspiel. If there is an invitation for only one rink and more than one would like to go, a playoff will be arranged to decide who will represent Ardsley. In this case, the Curling Committee will schedule a date for the playoff far enough in advance so that the host club can be notified on time.

The same applies to the Men's Bonspiels. If you would like to go to one - don't be bashful. Sign the sheet as an individual or enter an entire rink and your Curling Committee will take over from there. In this connection, the Wilds Skips have each been requested to take a rink to at least one out-of-town Bonspiel. Let's encourage them to sign up by filling up the complete Bonspiel schedule with our names. If we expect our own Ardsley Bonspiels to be successful, then we must show our out-of-town friends that we are willing to support them also.

What About the Cost?

Most Bonspiels are 3 Or 4 day events from Thursday or Friday through Sunday afternoon. So, unless it's at a nearby club, you should plan on 2 or 3 nights in a motel. In addition, there will be your meals, a nominal entry fee and transportation. You can figure that your weekend expenses will run between \$125 and \$150. per couple for a mixed Bonspiel or if the wife goes along for a men's Bonspiel. Any meals served at host's homes would reduce the total. Or, if you have a strong elbow which you must keep bending, that will also add to your cost.

And now a report on a Friendly and a Ladies Bonspiel recently attended by Ardsley members.

SEIGNIORY FRIENDLY - Dec. 1-3, 1972

This is an invitational Friendly held annually in Canada. Ardsley was represented by two rinks skipped by Dick Wells and Bill Nolan. Members and their wives left LaGuardia on Thursday afternoon for Montreal, after which they drove the additional 1½ hours to Seignior. The draw for all matches is set up for USA clubs to curl against Canadian clubs in all matches. Right away they had their work cut out for them.

Ardsley #1 with Nolan, skip, Stevenson, lead, Shirk and Currie lost their first two matches to Toronto Granite C.C. skipped by Pooler 10-7 and to Seignior C.C. skipped by Nutter 11-5. After these two defeats they defended their honor by winning over Buckingham C.C. skipped by MacLaren by a score of 14-1. They were ready for this one.

Ardsley #2 skipped by Dick Wells with Briggs, lead, Ringland (glad to see you on the ice, Joe), and Sibert also put up a valiant effort. Their first match against Seignior #3 (Fennell, skip) was lost 8-7 in an extra end. Coming back from defeat they overpowered Toronto Cricket skipped by Northey by a score of 11-7. However, tiring a bit after all this strenuous play, they were defeated in their final match by another Toronto rink skipped by Hadden 9-7.

PLAINFIELD LADIES BONSPIEL

Ellen Boldt and Sirkka Whitman each took a rink to Plainfield, N.J. on Dec. 4 and 5. This event was attended by our 2 rinks, 2 from Plainfield, 2 Westchester Wicks from St. Andrew's, and one rink each from Philadelphia and Nutmeg.

Everyone curled 2 matches on Monday. The winner of both games were in the main event and the second game were in the second event.

Ellen Boldt, skip, with Margaret Wiesenthal, JoAnn Christie, and Virginia Reynolds lost both their matches, the first to Nutmeg (Barbara Candlish) and the second to the Westchester Wicks (Vivian Young).

Sirkka Whitman's rink with Jane Wells, Florence Mattison and Bobbie Patterson lost to Maureen Fuller's ? rink in the first game but came back to win a close match over the Philadelphia Belles. Vivian Young and her Westchester Wicks, however, defeated Sirkka in her third match.

A NOTE OF SORROW

Harold Sothern, a very enthusiastic curler a few years back, passed away this past week. Harold started curling about 1944 and was very active in Ardsley curling up until about three years ago. We all extend our deep sympathy to his family.

LADIES CURLING

Will all ladies please heed this message from the Bonspiel Committee - particularly the Skips. Please check the Ladies Bulletin Board downstairs for any upcoming Bonspiels. If you are interested in taking away a rink, please contact your Skips' Representative, Sirkka Whitman, or Bonspiel Chairman, Ellen Boldt. We are most interested in having representation from Ardsley in as many 'Spiels as possible.

Ardsley is hosting the first of the Three Brooms competitions on Friday, Dec. 15th. In addition to Ardsley, the other "Brooms" are St. Andrew's and Darien. This series of Friendlys is held at each club once during the curling year.

LADIES SPORTS COMMITTEE

1. Please change Barbara Brandt's phone number in your Handbook to 591-7078.

2. Add to the list in your Handbook:

Ann Bolduc	591-8285
Lilla Enright	591-7285
Marsha Kemp	591-6871
Helen Adams	693-2094

STOCKING STUFFERS

Distinctive stocking stuffers can be had in the Warm Room. Ardsley Club ties, lighters and blazer emblems are available. See Santas Curi or Doonan.

ROSTERS

There are still some unclaimed 72-73 rosters left in the Warm Room. If you haven't collected yours, please take it next time you're there.

STANDINGS

With the current competitions half completed, Chuck Galloway has the sole honor of remaining undefeated. His Colgan rink consisting of Murphy, Rogan, Versfelt and Webster have pulled Chuck through to victory in every match.

<u>WILDS</u>		<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Level</u>
A4	Warriner, Whitman	9	1	
A5	Nolan-Currie	8	2	
C1		8	2	
S2		6	4	
C3		6	4	
S1		6	4	
A1	Fisler-Wells	5	5	
A2	Brandt-Doonan	5	5	
A3	Sibert-Stewart	5	5	
S4		5	5	
S3		4	6	
C2		4	6	
M2		3	7	
S5		3	7	
M1		2	8	
M3		1	9	

BLANTON

Won Lost

B3 Doonan
B1 Wright
B2 MacKenzie
B5 Currie
B6 Hill, R.
B7 Fisler
B9 Stewart
B10 Wismer
B8 Warriner
B4 Nolan
B1 Christie
B12 Shirk

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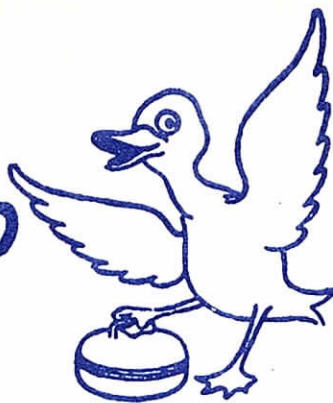
COLGAN

C1 Galloway
C3 Roosing
C4 Ray
C2 Patterson
C5 Havens

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1 3
1 3

Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



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A belated

Merry Christmas

and a very

Happy New Year

From the editorial, production and advisory staff of Duck Soup.

MIXED CURLING

The schedule for the next competition to start on January 12, 1973, will be mailed within the next week or two. Do you prefer to have mixed curling on Friday (8:15 P.M.), Saturday (5:15 P.M.) and Sunday (3 & 5 P.M.) or Saturday (5:15 and 7:15 P.M.) and Sunday (3 & 5 P.M.)? Please let Anita and Ed Doonan know by indicating your preference on the sheet which will be posted on the bulletin board New Year's Eve.

KEEP THINKING MEMBERSHIP!

Don't forget to extend those invitations to your friends for the mid-season open house to be held on Sunday, January 7th from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

We still desperately need new members to assure the continued success of our club. This includes not only our financial success but also the success of our curling competitions. You have all seen the number of matches which have been played this year with only three men due to the lack of men curlers. And you have felt the effect of this shortage also when the skip yells

"SWEEP HARD" and you are the only one he is talking to.

Let's fill the warm room as we did last November. Bring the same people back for a little more encouragement. Bring a new couple you have just met. You know that they will enjoy it.

WESTON "BEAN POT" MIXED BONSPIEL

The weekend of December 8-10, 1972 saw Sirkka and Bob Whitman and Helen and Bill Ray head northeast to Weston, Mass. to attend the Bean Pot Mixed Bonspiel. Our Ardsley rink got off to a slow start losing their first two matches which eliminated them from the Finlay Trophy (won by Brae Burn 1) and the Adams Trophy (won by Brae Burn 2). Coming on strong after becoming acclimated to the Massachusetts ice, weather and soicability, they won the Sandford Trophy with three straight victories. In fact, the last match was won in the 10th end with a draw to dead center by our Ardsley skip. The "Bean Pot" was won by Canadian Club 1. A wonderful time was had by all with 16 rinks from all over the Northeast competing.

ARDSLEY MIXED BONSPIEL

All mixed curlers are reminded that the Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel will be held on January 18-21, 1973. Couples interested in curling in this bonspiel should sign up now on the mixed bonspiel sheet in the Warm Room. Ardsley must furnish at least two rinks and more if all invitations are not accepted. If more couples sign up than can be accomodated, a playdown will be held.

MORE ON HAROLD SOTHERN

Last month we reported the death of Harold Sothern, an ardent Ardsley curler for several years. The following was received from Bob Warner too late for the last edition, but, because of its interest to the many who knew Harold so well, we are publishing it now.

Harold "One-Rock" Sothern, an Ardsley Curler since 1944, died on Tuesday, December 5, 1972. He was tagged with this moniker by his Scottish brethren several years ago when, during the first end of a bonspiel, he dislocated his back while delivering his first rock and was obliged to forfeit the match.

No one could surpass Harold as a spell-binding storyteller. He was a walking authority on "track" events. When asked about records established in the 100 or 440 yard dash he remembered not only the dates, the names of the persons, but also the times. His was an uncanny memory for data on present and

and past sporting events. A great personality, he was much sought after by groups of all kinds and ages to lend his presence, enthusiasm and outstanding humor to convivial gatherings. He could have been a lyric writer of note had he wanted to turn his hand to it. In fact, for 25 years Harold's song lyrics written for birthday or other celebrations were traditional - and to be the fortunate subject of one of his clever songs was a coveted position.

Harold will be much missed by all of us in the community.

Robert F. Warner

JOE CURI ASSUMES NEW TITLE - "DIRECTOR OF BARTENDING"

The Board of Directors, by a unanimous vote, has promoted Mr. Joseph Curi from chief bartender and glass washer to Director of Bartending. With this promotion comes the responsibility for managing rather than working at the bar. NO, you won't get larger rinks. NO, the drinks won't be cheaper. BUT, you will have the opportunity to be chief bartender (under the close surveillance of our new director).

This new policy went into effect last week. From now on, during weekday nights, (including Fridays) skips of rinks who are curling on a particular night will be assigned the position of bartender or assistant. These two people will be expected to arrive at the club one-half hour prior to the start of curling. The bar will open 15 minutes before the matches. There will be NO bar service during the matches. If you must imbibe while curling all drinks will be purchased prior to starting. Individuals shall not go to the bar and mix their own. The bar will close at 11:30 P.M. or one hour after all matches have ended.

Joe Curi will post at the bar a list of instructions for all bartenders and their assistants. The success of these new procedures will rest with each individual assuming this responsibility. Joe has done a tremendous job for which we are all very grateful. However, we cannot expect him to be at the club each and every night. Now it's our turn to show our appreciation by pitching in 100 percent.

The bar assignments through the current competitions are as follows:

Wed.	Dec. 27	Shirk	Nolan
Thurs.	Dec. 28	Stewart	Fisler
Fri.	Dec. 29	Sibert	Nolan (7 P.M.)
"	"	Curi	Patterson (9 P.M.)
Wed.	Jan. 3	Christie	Wright
Thurs.	Jan. 4	Hill	Shirk
Fri.	Jan. 5	Havens	Christie

Wed. Jan. 10	Warriner	Stewart
Thurs. Jan. 11	Wisner	MacKenzie
Fri. Jan. 12	To be assigned	
Wed. Jan. 17	Wright	Currie
Thurs. Jan. 18	Nolan	Doonan

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER CHANGES

Robert B. Meigs Business telephone number
From (212) 685-7350
To (212) 673-5552

Robert Fisler Business telephone number
From (212) 556-2702
To (212) 556-2223

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER ADDITIONS

Mrs. A. F. Adams (Helen) (L) (914) 693-2094
Hudson House
Ardsley-on-Hudson, N.Y. 10503

Mr. & Mrs. Emil A. Kratovil, Jr. (Liz) (X)
129 East 69th St.
New York, N.Y. 10021 (212) 288-6628 (212) 344-6800

THANKS FOR THE BEAUTIFUL DECORATIONS

The holiday decorations which adorn the outside of the building, the Warm Room and the men's facilities are the result of much artistic work by Florence and Ralph Mattison. Thanks for the time and effort spent in giving our club such a welcome and festive appearance.

THREE BROOMS COMPETITION

The Ardsley Ladies hosted Nutmeg and Westchester Wicks on Friday, Dec. 15th for the first of the Three Brooms Competition. This is a round robin competition between the three clubs. The Senior rinks curl in the morning, 10 ends, for the Three Brooms Trophy and the Junior rinks curl in the afternoon, 8 ends. Ardsley 1, skipped by Fran Currie, Sirrka Whitman, Ellen Boldt and JoAnn Christie won 9-8 in eleven ends against Wicks 2 skipped by Ann Dudley. Ardsley 2, skipped by Barbara Brandt, Jane Wells, Helen Ray and Katsy Andrews lost 6-8 in eleven ends against Nutmeg 2 skipped by Jo Owens. Wicks 1 skipped by Margaret Smith won 14-2 in 9 ends against Nutmeg 1 skipped by Barbara Candlish. An excellent lunch was served in the Warm Room by the Hospitality Chairman, Margaret Wiesenthal.

In the afternoon Ardsley 1, skipped by Mary Jean Keenan, Aldine Havens, Carol Keenan and Margaret Wiesenthal won 10-6 in 8 ends against Wicks 2 skipped by Helen Maynard and Ardsley 2, skipped by Jinny Hill, Jean MacIntosh, Florence Mattison and Fran Garred won 10-4 in 8 ends against Wicks 1 skipped by Mabel Leaf.

WARRINER AND WHITMAN LEAD IN THE WILDS

As of Christmas Eve Len Warriner and Bob Whitman, co-skips of the Ardsley #4 rink, retained sole lead of the Wilds competition with a record of 11 wins and 2 defeats. To date, only Smith of the New York Caledonian #3 rink (over Warriner 10-5) and Turner of Saint Andrews #1 (over Whitman 10-7) have been able to best this rink.

WILDS STANDINGS

		Won	Lost
A4	Warriner, Whitman	11	2
A5	Currie, Nolan	10	3
C1		10	3
S2		8	4
C3		8	5
A2	Brandt, Doonan	7	6
A3	Sibert, Stewart	7	6
S1		7	6
C2		7	6
A1	Fisler, Wells	6	7
M1		5	8
S4		5	8
S3		4	8
M2		4	9
S5		3	10
M3		1	12

A THREE-WAY TIE IN THE BLANTON

Ed Doonan (B3), Bob Hill (B6) and Chuck Stewart (B9) are all tied with records of 5 wins and 2 losses. We are all looking forward with anticipation and challenge toward our future matches against these rinks. This looks like a close race.

BLANTON STANDINGS

B3	Doonan	5	2
B6	Hill, R.	5	2
B9	Stewart	5	2
B2	MacKenzie	4	3
B5	Currie	4	3
B7	Fisler	4	3
B1	Wright	3	4
B8	Warriner	3	4
B10	Wismer	3	4
B11	Christie	3	4
B4	Nolan	2	5
B12	Shirk	1	6

Come on George!

GALLOWAY STILL LEADS THE COLGAN

Chuck Galloway (C1) still retains the lead in the Colgan. However, his record has slipped from 4 wins and no losses to 4 wins and 2 losses since last reported. Watch out Chuck, we can see a change coming on as our new curles develop their aim and speed.

COLGAN STANDINGS

		<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
C1	Galloway	4	2
C3	Roesing	3	3
C4	Ray	3	3
C5	Havens	3	3
C2	Patterson	2	4