

Ardsley Curling Club



POST OFFICE BOX 7054
ARDSLEY-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK 10503

July 16, 1982

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Dear Member:

Our Fundspiel this year will be on Saturday, September 18²⁵. We have graciously been invited to hold it at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Nasrollah Khosrowshahi in Irvington. Please think about any items you would be willing to contribute for the auction. They can be delivered to my home at any time during the summer.

The Grand National Iceless Bonspiel will be held on the preceding weekend, September 10, 11 & 12 at The Basin Harbor Club in Vergennes, Vermont. These affairs are enjoyable weekends which, I am afraid, have not been very well attended by Ardsley members in the past. If you would like to find out more about it or want to make a reservation please let me know as soon as possible. I have forms which must be forwarded by August 10 to insure accommodations.

I would like to mention two other dates even though they are a few months away. Our Open House for new prospective members will be on Saturday, October 30 this year. The Eagers are heading up the Membership Committee and I know would be delighted to hear from any of you who have candidates you would like to invite to this affair. The following weekend, November 6-7, we have tentatively scheduled the Curl Canada School to be down on our ice to give instruction to new prospective members and current members alike. We will be charging a fee for the latter but intend to provide the instruction free for the former.

I hope you all have a good summer. Time is going by quickly and before you know it we will be cranking up the compressor to freeze the ice again.

Bunkie

Bunkie Harmon

P.S. I am enclosing a copy of a newsletter which I just received from Ken Cooper, who is the new president of the Grand National, which provides some additional information about the Iceless Bonspiel.

Ardsey Curling Club



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September 27, 1982

Dear Member,

In another month we will have our ice frozen and be ready to start a new curling season. A number of improvements have been made in our rink over the summer by Jim Welch and Ed Doonan, particularly in the area of making the building "tighter" to reduce the inside humidity level. This, in turn, should help cut down on the frost build up on the sides of our sheets and make our ice more consistently faster. Jim has organized a clean-up day for Saturday, October 16, and I am sure would love to hear from you if you can help out in getting our facility ready for the coming season. Remember, our Open House for new member prospects will be just two weeks later on October 30.

Also over the summer Mike Beaudrias has done a fine job in organizing a training school to be conducted by Curl Canada. This will take place on our ice the weekend of November 6-7. Anyone interested who has not already signed up should contact Mike.

I am enclosing the Curling Committee's Information form.
Please complete and return it in the enclosed envelope as soon as possible.

I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Sincerely,

Bunkie

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Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



Number 1

October 19, 1982

OUR 50th ANNIVERSARY

It was on December 6, 1932, that Mr. William A. Kimbel gathered several men together at the Ardsley Racquet and Swimming Club (the name by which the Ardsley Country Club was formerly known) to discuss the possibility of forming a curling club. Among those present were two curlers from St. Andrew's who told the group about this peculiar sport, its unusually fine traditions, and its rapid growth in this country. At that time, St. Andrew's members had been curling for twelve years - eleven years on a pond and one year in their new indoor rink.

One week later, on December 13, 1932, a second meeting was held at which time the Ardsley Curling Club was formed, the officers were elected, and committees were appointed. A motion was made (cont. on p. 3)

Men's Curling

Chairman, Ed Sibert, advises that the Blanton Competition will start on Tuesday, October 26. Men's weekend curling, the Wilds and the Colgan, will not start until November 13th because of the Open House and the curling school. The curling committee will soon be sending out schedules and rink assignments.

Mixed Curling

Dick and Jane Wells report that they will be assisted this year by the Keenans, the Kelleys and the Whitleys. A bulletin will be mailed to all mixed curlers before the season opens with information about rink assignments and the schedule. Dick suggests that it is not too soon to begin thinking about getting teams together for the playdowns for the Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel which is scheduled for January 20-23, 1983.

OPEN HOUSE

Remember Saturday, October 30, 1982. Our fall OPEN HOUSE will be held from 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. with demonstration matches from 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. Instructors will be available to work with prospects and the curling film will be shown.

Come and bring a guest and if you don't have a guest come by yourself and help get the season off to a flying start.

Call Hank or Marilyn Eager for additional information. (914-478-1217)

CURLING SCHOOL

There will be a curling school on Ardsley ice the weekend of Nov. 6-7. Professional instructors from Curl Canada will teach our novices, intermediates, and perhaps even our experts. (cont. on p. 3)

Ladies' Curling

Dates to remember: Wednesday, October 27th is our annual clean-up day. Gerry Whitley would appreciate your help. Bring a sandwich and practice curling - after cleaning up, of course.

November 3rd and 4th, starting at 10:00 A.M., we will have instruction and a pick up game. If you plan to stay for lunch, bring your own sandwich - coffee and dessert will be provided.

November 10th and 11th - Icebreaker competition starts and will run for 6 weeks.

December 3rd - The first Three Brooms matches will be played at Ardsley against St. Andrew's and Nutmeg.

Fundspiel 1982

Many thanks to Faith and Ned Khosrowshahi for hosting this annual event. Their friendly hospitality and the superb accommodations made the evening a memorable occasion.

As with most Ardsley affairs, our own members deserve the **credit** for their success and this year was no exception..

Kudos go to: Anita Doonan and Marilyn Eager - Chairpersons; Betty Fletcher, Judy Kelley, Naomi Haynes, Charlotte Holt and Kathy Mudge - for the excellent dinner; Fran Garred, Sirkka Whitman, Mary Jean Keenan and Hank Eager - Auction Committee; Bruce Mitchell - Bar Chairman; Adam Chebetar, John Chebetar, Geoff Broadhurst - Arrangements; Don Eggleston - Ticket Sales; Julie Shirk, Aldine Havens, Pippa Broadhurst - Decorations; Bill Havens - Chief Electrician; and last but not least, President Bunkie Harmon and Jim Welch - Cleanup Detail.

And of course our thanks go to all those curlers and friends who cooked, baked, shredded and contributed to the auction.

You will all be pleased to learn that as a result of your efforts we now have \$3500.00 more in the Treasury!

Anita Doonan would appreciate it if those who left serving platters, utensils, etc. at the party would please pick them up. They are in her garage.

House Committee

While the rest of us have been loafing, golfing, swimming or sailing, etc., this summer, Jim Welch has been his usual industrious self and has been busy improving the clubhouse. He has insulated the wall separating the warm room from the ice, installed a fan high over the ice to equalize the temperature, repaired the doors from the warm room out to the ice and by the time curling starts he hopes to have completed the installation of insulation in the ice area between the top of the exterior walls and the roof, caulked the expansion joints and weatherstripped the exit door on the east side of the building.

We all hope Jim and his helpers have enough energy left to curl this year. If you would like to volunteer your services for any jobs that are left over, call Jim at 478-2525.

Did you hear about the curler who says his wife is threatening to leave him if he takes up curling again this year? He says it's a shame, because he really will miss her

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and seconded that an application be submitted for membership in the Grand National Curling Club of America. On January 13, 1933, that application was approved and the Ardsley Curling Club became an active member of the Grand National. (The records of that organization indicate that Ardsley joined in 1932 but this appears to be an error.)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: All of the above information was obtained from a "History of the Ardsley Curling Club" compiled by Joe Ringland in 1973.)

CURLING SCHOOL (cont. from p. 1)

We do not have information on scheduling, availability of space or cost (which will be very reasonable) at this time. It is the intention of the Club, however, to make the class available to all new curlers who wish to participate. For full information, call Mike Beaudrias at 631-2569.

EARLY BONSPIELS

Each year there are a number of bonspiels that are scheduled for so early in the season that Ardsley curlers rarely have an opportunity to think about them, let alone enter them. Any of you who want to hit the bonspiel trail early this season might consider the following:

| | | |
|----------------|----------------------------------|-------|
| October 29-31 | Rochester | Mixed |
| November 11-14 | Ross Tarleton at Oshawa, Ont. | Men |
| November 11-14 | Petersham | Mixed |
| November 18-21 | Schenectady | Men |
| November 18-21 | Philadelphia | Mixed |
| December 2-5 | Norfolk | Men |
| December 2-5 | Rochester | Men |
| December 2-5 | Nashua | Mixed |

If you are interested, call Bob Whitman for the Men's Bonspiels and Dick Wells for the Mixed Bonspiels.

CAPE COD BONSPIEL

Two Ardsley rinks were entered in the Cape Cod Summer Mixed Bonspiel July 8-11. Although the reports were silent about the success of our sunburnt sweepers, Bob Whitman advises that the Marrs and Caspers and the Whitmans and Fletchers were there, that they did indeed curl, that they partook of an excellent barbecue and clambake and that although someone accidentally turned the compressor off during the night, the water was never over their heads.

FRUIT SALE

Kay Sugahara is again arranging for the annual sale of grapefruit and oranges. Although the dates and prices have not yet been established, we do know that delivery will be before Christmas. Keep your eye on the Club bulletin board for further information.

Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



Number 2

November 22, 1982

CURLING INSTRUCTIONS

Mike and Bettie Beaudrias advise us that the club will be open every Friday evening (including 11/26) at 8:00 P.M. and that instructors will be available for those desiring assistance.

The Curl Canada school was an enormous success with a total of 53 Ardsley curlers participating - 13 of whom were new members and many of whom were 2nd and 3rd year curling members. About 21 experienced curlers entered the advance class which, in addition to instruction in delivery and sweeping, involved blackboard sessions in strategy and team coordination.

CURLING COURTESY

The curling committees have noted that some curlers have been arriving late for their matches. Unless there is a compelling reason for this, tardiness shows a lack of consideration for the other members of both teams who have made the effort to be on the ice and ready to curl at the scheduled time.

The committees would also like to remind skips that they should not delay the game with excessive deliberations about the shot to be played.

Here are a few other points to keep in mind which will make the game more enjoyable for all:

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FRUIT SALE

Once again, thanks to Kay Sugahara, the Ardsley Curling Club will be selling cases of Ruby Red grapefruit and hand sorted Navel oranges - and at the same price as last year. The grapefruit are \$15 per case and the oranges are \$18 per case.

Orders must be in by Dec. 5, 1982. Either sign up in the Warm Room or call the Doonans at 591-8191.

And once again, thanks to the Doonans, you can pick up your orders at their fruit stand on Dec. 12, 1982 - in plenty of time for Christmas.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

It may seem premature, but since this is not a daily paper we have to get our news out whenever possible.

As in past years, the Ardsley curlers will again greet the New Year with good fellowship, good food, good cheer and good, if at times unusual, curling.

This year's committee of Jane and John McCormack, Claire Noble and Walter Baggett are already hard at work making plans for the affair.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those planning to attend. The cost is expected to be about \$15 per couple to cover the cost of the dinner and prizes. As usual,

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WELCOME

The Ardsley Curling Club is delighted to welcome the following new curlers to our ranks:

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Evelyn Baxter (Th) | 737-4974 |
| Patrick Clarke (X) | 591-6295 |
| Marion Cowles (L) | 941-3276 |
| Alvin DaCosta (M) | 967-4856 |
| Graham Dickinson (M) | 591-9374 |
| Fredrik and Tuva Evjen (M-Th) | 591-6891 |
| Charles and Ann Elliott (X) | 591-7272 |
| Jim Faris and Lauralee Alben (X) | 478-2041 |
| Lisa Leonard (X) | 624-8057 |
| Dick and Ann McCray (L-X) | 693-8731 |
| George and Joan Thomsen (X) | 591-7643 |
| Ron and Ann Walker (M-L-X) | 967-6868 |
| Doug Whitley (M) | 631-8441 |

Their addresses will be included in the new roster when it is printed.

The "New Member Bonspiel" will be held on Sat. and Sun., Dec. 11th and 12th. This is an event for new members and 2nd and 3rd year curlers. Sign up in the Warm Room or call the Eagers at 478-1217.

MEN'S CURLING

Blanton Competition

After three weeks of competition, Messrs. Warriner and Beaudrias are leading the pack with unblemished records. The results to date are as follows:

| | <u>Won</u> | <u>Lost</u> |
|---------------|------------|-------------|
| B3 Warriner | 3 | 0 |
| B4 Beaudrias | 3 | 0 |
| B7 Broadhurst | 2 | 1 |
| B1 Sugahara | 1 | 2 |
| B2 Godbold | 1 | 2 |
| B6 Harmon | 1 | 2 |
| B8 Mort | 1 | 2 |
| B5 Zonino | 0 | 3 |

Wilds Competition

The results of the first week's Wilds matches are summarized below:

| | <u>Won</u> | <u>Lost</u> |
|------------------------|------------|-------------|
| A2 Wells/Warriner | 2 | 0 |
| A4 Shirk/Beaudrias | 2 | 0 |
| A5 Chebetar/Marr | 2 | 0 |
| C2 Cooper/Button | 2 | 0 |
| A3 Patterson/Harmon | 1 | 1 |
| S3 McKay/Mojo | 1 | 1 |
| C1 Slaybaugh/Duncanson | 1 | 1 |
| A7 Broadhurst/Godbold | 1 | 2 |
| S2 Nauss/Fouk | 1 | 2 |
| A1 Whitman/Eager | 0 | 2 |
| A6 Sugahara/Sibert | 0 | 2 |
| S1 Bankes/Stewart | 0 | 2 |

LADIES CURLING

Ardsley got off to a fine start this year when a rink skipped by Margaret Smith entered a Nutmeg Friendly and won both of their matches, defeating Plainfield and Nutmeg. With Margaret was Fran Garred, Fay Beadle and Eleanor Blake.

Another group of Ardsley curlers travelled to Beaver Dam but unfortunately was prevented from curling by the unseasonably warm weather. Skip Sirkka Whitman, Bobbie Patterson, Jinny Hill and Jean MacIntosh nevertheless had an enjoyable outing.

Three Brooms: Ardsley will host the first of this year's competitions on December 3rd. If you are interested in participating, please sign up on the bulletin board.

Bonspiels: Please check the downstairs bulletin board. We have received invitations from Philadelphia Belles, T.C.C., Hershey, and Seigniory. Don't forget, we need 11 out-of-state rinks for our Bonspiel in March.

Snow: In the event of a storm we will be guided by the Dobbs Ferry school signals. If they postpone for an hour, we will, too. If they cancel, we will do likewise. Call Anita, Fran, Jinny or Marilyn if you have missed the announcement on WFAS or can't hear the signals. When a game is cancelled, we would like to have it played the following week in the afternoon. Skips, please note and remind your teams.

MIXED CURLING

Curling in the first Mixed competition of the season - the Keenan - started last weekend (Nov. 13 & 14) with eight games played Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Sixteen teams are playing in this event with matches each weekend through Dec. 4-5. We had a fine turnout including a good crop of new and enthusiastic couples. Many of the newcomers had benefitted from the Curl Canada lessons, and the quality of the play was unusually good for this early in the season.

Playdowns have also begun to determine Ardsley's two representatives in our own Bonspiel, the Ardsley Mixed, which is to be held on January 21-23. Seven teams have entered. The winning and runner-up teams will represent Ardsley in the Bonspiel; in addition, the winning team will receive prizes. Entered in this competition, which will be played as a double knockout, are: MacIntosh-Fletcher; Beaudrias-Streckfuss; Whitman-Mudge; Patterson-Doonan; Eager-Whitley; Wells-Keenan; and Kay Sugahara, Teresa Welch and the Kelleys.

Pat and Harold Haff are in charge of the Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel with Pippa and Geoff Broadhurst as co-chairmen. They will need help from a great many members to carry off this keystone event of our Mixed curling season. Please be prepared to respond affirmatively if they call on you to assist.

Dan and Janet Alesio and Dan and Kathy Mudge will be co-chairmen for the Pull-the-Plug party at the end of the season. All of these leaders will also need help from the membership when the time comes.

FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S CURLING

A group of Ardsley men curlers have banded together to form a new league which will meet at 9:30 A.M. on Friday mornings for "active" curling - which presumably will be followed by libations and perhaps even lunch.

All male curlers participating in either men's or mixed curling may join the Friday league without paying additional dues.

The Board of Directors at its Nov. 18th meeting established an annual dues of \$80 for men joining the group who are not already curling members of the Ardsley Curling Club.

At the present time approximately 16 curlers are participating on either a regular or occasional basis. For further information call either Bob Whitman or Herndon Fletcher.

OUT-OF-TOWN BONSPIELS

We have received invitations to many bonspiels. Sign up sheets for Mixed and Men's bonspiels have been placed on the bulletin board in the Warm Room. For information on these events, speak to the following:

Men's Bonspiels - Bob Whitman

Mixed Bonspiels - Dick Wells

HOUSE AND ICE

The flags you see decorating the left hand or west wall of the curling rink represent the Canadian Provinces, with the exception of Saskatchewan. The flags on the right hand or east wall represent the countries that participate in the Silver Broom, with the exception of Italy, Denmark, Norway and Germany.

Contributions of the missing 3'x5' flags will be gratefully accepted by Ed Doonan. We suggest you call him first to avoid duplications.

Clean Ice. Keeping our ice in good condition is a never-ending job. It requires scraping, pebbling and flooding - all of which are done by our ice man, Joe Vulpone. It also requires sweeping to remove the broken straws and bristles - this is also done by Joe.

We all can help keep the ice in good condition by picking up any debris and putting it in the ashtrays, wastebaskets or pockets.

HEADLESS HORSEMAN BONSPIEL

During the weekend of Jan. 7-9, 1983, the Club will hold the twelfth Headless Horseman Bonspiel.

This is a sixteen rink, three event spiel in which all Ardsley curlers (men and women) are invited to participate. The teams can be composed of all men, all women, mixed (2-2) or (3-1), with some skipped by women and men.

The matches generally start on Friday night and then continue on all day Saturday and Sunday. As in past years, we expect to have a cocktail party and buffet dinner Sat. night in the Warm Room while matches are in progress.

Adam Chebetar is the chairman this year and will shortly put a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

COUNTRY CLUB DINING ROOM

The dining room and grill room at the Country Club will be open for lunch and dinner every Friday, Saturday and Sunday until the Club closes for the winter on Dec. 19th. All members of the Curling Club have dining privileges during the entire curling season.

Reservations are necessary for dinner and men must wear jackets and ties in the dining room. Curling attire may be worn in the grill room.

CURLING COURTESY (cont. from p. 1)

1. Be ready to throw your stone when your turn comes. Don't delay the game by being caught at the wrong end of the sheet, or by waiting until the last moment to put your slider on.
2. Never disturb a curler when he is in the hack. Keep your distance and be silent and motionless.
3. Don't cross the ice when a curler is in the hack preparing to deliver his stone.
4. Sweepers - After you have finished sweeping a stone, step to the side of the sheet and move back down the ice to be prepared to sweep the next stone. Never clear stones off the ice after an end is played until the Vice-skips have finished their deliberations.
5. Skips and Vice-Skips should stand motionless while a member of the opposing team is delivering his stone.

NEW YEAR'S EVE (cont. from p. 1)

the bar will function on a B.Y.O.B. basis.

The sartorial theme has not yet been agreed upon and the committee is open to suggestions.

Make your holiday plans early and be sure to sign up for New Year's Eve at Ardsley.

GNCC NEWSLETTER

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Ken Cooper to all Grand National curlers. Please read it thoroughly, paying particular attention to the paragraphs relating to rules 9, 10 and 11. Full information on these can be found in the 1982-1983 Schedule of Events - copies of which are kept in the Warm Room.

The deadline for copy for the December issue is Tuesday, Dec. 14th.

STOP THE PRESSES - BEAVER DAM FRIENDLY

Beaver Dam has invited 3 Ardsley rinks for a Friendly on Sat., Dec. 11th. Lunch...curl...then some cheer! This way everyone will be home in time for any holiday festivities. If interested, sign up on the sheet at the Curling Club or call the Keenans - 591-7819.

Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



Number 3

December 20, 1982

COMING ATTRACTIONS

New Year's Eve - The sign up sheet has been posted, the committee is hard at work and all are welcome for an evening of good cheer, good food and good curling. Sign up now or call the McCormacks and let them know you are coming. (201-825-8089).

Headless Horseman Bonspiel January 7th-9th. All curlers - men and women, young and old - are urged to sign up for this intra-club bonspiel. The committee will assign everyone to a rink and you should expect to play at least three games during the weekend. The entry fee will be about \$8.00 per person to cover the cost of the medals and prizes. Dinner will be served in the Warm Room Saturday night for curlers and viewers at an extra charge. The sign up sheet is there so hurry and get your name listed. Adam Chebetar is the chairman and will be pleased to answer any questions. (591-8971)

Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel - January 20-23. Pat and Harold Haff are chairing our bonspiel this year. Plans have been made for dinner parties at several homes on Friday night and for the dinner dance at the Country Club on Saturday night.

MEN'S CURLING

Len Warriner's rink won the Blanton competition this year by defeating Mike Beaudrias' rink in an exciting match that was not decided until the last rock had been thrown. Both teams went into this last match undefeated.

Curling with Len were Ed Sibert, Jim Lento, Jan Fagerberg, Harry Haynes and Joe Potter. Mike was ably assisted by Adam Chebetar, Herb MacIntosh, "Fletch" Fletcher, Jack Streckfuss and Doug Whitley. The final standings were as follows:

| <u>Rink</u> | <u>Skip</u> | <u>Won</u> | <u>Lost</u> |
|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| B3 | Warriner | 7 | 0 |
| B4 | Beaudrias | 6 | 1 |
| B1 | Sugahara | 4 | 3 |
| B2 | Godbold | 3 | 4 |
| B6 | Harmon | 3 | 4 |
| B7 | Broadhurst | 3 | 4 |
| B8 | Mort | 2 | 5 |
| B5 | Zonino | 0 | 7 |

Wilds - With less than two weeks to go, Ardsley #5 (Adam Chebetar and Dave Marr, co-skips) are in a first place tie with New York Caledonian #2 (Cooper and Button). The standings, with three matches remaining for each rink, are as follows:

| <u>Rink</u> | <u>Skips</u> | <u>Won</u> | <u>Lost</u> |
|-------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
| A5 | Chebetar/Marr | 6 | 2 |
| C2 | Cooper/Button | 6 | 2 |

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| <u>Rink</u> | <u>Skips</u> | <u>Won</u> | <u>Lost</u> |
|-------------|---------------------|------------|-------------|
| A4 | Shirk/Beaudrias | 5 | 3 |
| S3 | McKay/S. Mojo | 5 | 3 |
| A2 | Wells/Warriner | 4 | 4 |
| A6 | Sugahara/Sibert | 4 | 4 |
| A7 | Broadhurst/Godbold | 4 | 4 |
| C1 | Slaybaugh/Duncanson | 4 | 4 |
| A3 | Patterson/Harmon | 3 | 5 |
| S2 | Nauss/Foult | 3 | 5 |
| A1 | Whitman/Eager | 2 | 6 |
| S1 | Bankes/Stewart | 2 | 6 |

LADIES CURLING

Three Brooms. Both Ardsley rinks won their matches in the first round of the Three Brooms played at home on December 3. Teresa Welch's rink with Ann Walker, Helen Ray and Kathy Mudge defeated the Westchester Wicks 12-5 and Barbara Brandt's rink of Fran Garred, Jinny Hill and Alice Nolan defeated Nutmeg 15-3.

The Junior Friendlies, played that afternoon, saw both Ardsley rinks skipped by Fay Beadle and Doris Garrison emerge victorious. The skips were supported with fine curling by Janet Alesio, Pat Haff, Charlotte Holt, Brenda Clarke, Claire Noble and Elinore Wing.

Ice Breaker Standings. With one game left to be played on Dec. 29 and 30, the Wed. team of Welch, Beadle, Garrison and Wing is undefeated. The Thurs. team of Hill, Ray, Mudge and Haff has 4 wins and 1 loss. The standings are:

| <u>Skip-Wed.</u> | <u>Won</u> | <u>Lost</u> |
|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| Welch | 5 | 0 |
| Brandt | 3 | 2 |
| Whitman | 3 | 2 |
| Garred | 2 | 3 |
| Patterson | 4 | 1 |
| Eager | 4 | 1 |
| <u>Skip-Thurs.</u> | | |
| Hill | 4 | 1 |
| Keenan/Garred | 3 | 2 |
| Smith | 2 | 3 |
| Nolan | 1 | 4 |

U.S.W.C.A. Bonspiel Playdowns were hosted by the Ardsley Ladies on Dec. 5 and 6. Participating for two places were the Philadelphia Belles, Hershey, Nutmeg and the Westchester Wicks. Nutmeg and Hershey were the winners and will be going to Cleveland. Good curling.

MIXED CURLING

The first Mixed competition of the season - the Keenan - was completed on Dec. 5. On a won and lost basis, four teams tied: the winning rink, the Bollenbacher-Streckfuss combination, was accordingly determined on a point basis. The standings were as follows:

| <u>Team</u> | <u>Won</u> | <u>Lost</u> | <u>Points</u> |
|----------------------------|------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1. Bollenbacher-Streckfuss | 3 | 1 | 41 $\frac{1}{4}$ |
| 2. Wells-Clarke | 3 | 1 | 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 3. Fletcher-Whitley | 3 | 1 | 38 $\frac{1}{2}$ |

| | <u>Team</u> | <u>Won</u> | <u>Lost</u> | <u>Points</u> | |
|-----|------------------------|------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|
| 4. | Mort/Welch-Alesio | 3 | 1 | 36 $\frac{3}{4}$ | |
| 5. | Whitman-Elliott | 2 | 1 | 39 | tied one game |
| 6. | Caspers-Haff | 2 | 2 | 33 | |
| 7. | Ray-Walker | 2 | 2 | 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ | |
| 8. | MacIntosh-Holt | 2 | 2 | 32 $\frac{1}{4}$ | |
| 9. | Warriner-Mudge | 2 | 2 | 31 $\frac{3}{4}$ | |
| 10. | Eager-Bereday | 2 | 2 | 28 | |
| 11. | Sibert/Hill-Thomsen | 2 | 2 | 22 $\frac{1}{4}$ | |
| 12. | Keenan-McCormack | 1 | 2 | 26 | tied one game |
| 13. | Beaudrias-Beaver/Noble | 1 | 3 | 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ | |
| 14. | Nolan-Kelley | 1 | 3 | 22 | |
| 15. | Patterson-Faris/Alben | 1 | 3 | 21 | |
| 16. | Doonan-McCray | 1 | 3 | 18 | |

The second regular Mixed weekend competition - the Kelley - will begin this weekend, Dec. 18-19. Eighteen teams are entered.

Beaver Dam Friendly. The Keenans, Pattersons, Broadhursts and Whitleys travelled to Beaver Dam on Sat., Dec. 11th. They reportedly had challenging curling on negative ice, had a good time and enjoyed the hospitality.

BONSPIELS

Hastings-Brick. Dave Marr's Ardsley #5 rink with Mike Beaudrias, "Fletch" Fletcher/Bruce Mitchell and Jan Fagerberg curled their way to a 4-0 record and won the first event - the Hastings medal - by defeating Steve Mojo's Saint Andrew's #1 rink in the finals.

Burns Patterson's Ardsley #4 rink with Hank Eager, Bill Havens and Jack Streckfuss with a 3-1 record won the Brick medal by defeating John Nauss' Saint Andrew's #2 rink in the finals of the second event.

Rochester, N.Y. The weekend of December 3-5 Bob Whitman skipped the Ardsley rink of George Shirk, Jim Zonino and Bruce May in the Sutherland Cup Bonspiel. They lost their first match to York (3-5) and then went on to win the second event, the Sterling Handles, by defeating Rochester (5-4), Niagara Falls (10-4) and Canadian Forces Base Toronto (6-5). Congratulations!

Royal Montreal Mixed Bonspiel. Dick and Jane Wells with Bill and Helen Ray made their annual trek to Canada to participate in this event and report that they enjoyed the usual fantastic hospitality and good cheer of their friends from the north and came away with a customary one win and two loss record.

NEW MEMBER BONSPIEL

Seven rinks of enthusiastic but relatively inexperienced curlers took to the ice the weekend of December 10 to 12 to see what bonspiels were all about. Without the presence of any senior curlers, there was a noticeably more relaxed approach to the finer points of the game. Most matches were very close and much of the shot making and strategy calls were truly remarkable. In the finals of the first event, the Kelleys and lead couple Charley and Ann Elliott came back from a 3 point deficit after 7 ends to eke out an 8-7 win over the

rink of George Spitzer, Sarah Welch, Doug Whitley and Elinore Wing. The Streckfuss-Mudge rink played 4 matches to capture the 2nd event over the Holts and lead couple, Jim Faris and Laura Lee Alben.

NEW MEMBER

Dr. Charles Moore has joined the Friday morning men's group. Charlie has been an Associate Member of the club for years and it is good to see him back on the ice again.

FRUIT SALE

It may appear to most of us that "things" just happen naturally and that, with a minimum amount of effort, everything will "get done" properly and on time. Well, it doesn't always happen that way - and if you don't believe it, ask the Doonans.

On Sat., Dec. 11, before the sun got up, Anita had to get up and drive to Ardsley to lead the fruit truck back to her house. Having accomplished that, the Doonans then discovered that the driver could not maneuver his truck up the driveway to the garage as has been done in past years. So the truck was unloaded down on the street and a chain gang moved 200 cases of fruit to the garage. They might also have had to shift 300 more cases in a similar fashion had not Joe Vulpone brought his truck to the rescue.

All told, 23 men and 9 women saved the day - and the Ardsley Curling Club netted about \$4200.

So - while it may have seemed easy to those of us who simply ordered fruit and then picked it up - it wasn't all that simple. Our thanks to the Doonans, Kay Sugahara and all the others who saved the day.

Incidentally, the Doonans have a few cases of grapefruit left. If you are looking for stocking stuffers for Christmas, call them.

MORE ON RULES

Rule #7 of the G.N.C.C. provides that "the players, other than the skip and the acting skip, shall not stand behind the house but shall place themselves along the sides of the rink between the hog lines".

This is a rule that unfortunately is frequently overlooked at Ardsley. Skips should insist that all rules are observed.

ODDS 'N ENDS

That great new sign at the far end of the curling rink was designed, built and installed by Burns Patterson - many thanks.

The Norwegian flag was generously contributed by Art Reisch.

The deadline for the next issue of Duck Soup is January 25, 1983. We will not send out reminder cards. We would appreciate it if skips at out-of-town bonspiels would send in a report upon their return and chairmen of special events write a report on them.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL