

Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



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Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel January 21-23

Our 13th Mixed Bonspiel drew to a close on Sunday afternoon with Roger Tomensen's Granite (of Toronto) rink defeating Marshall Cook's (formerly of Ardsley) Plainfield II rink to win the first place Child's Medal.

The second event finals saw two sons-in-law of former Ardsley curlers competing for the Ardsley Medal. In a close match Mac Cover's Nutmeg rink defeated Steve Kitses' Weston II rink. Mac is married to Ash Thorndike's daughter, Ann, and Steve is married to Ad Hastings daughter, Mary.

Two of our own rinks made it to the finals of the third event which saw Burns and Bobbie Patterson with Ed and Anita Doonan defeat Mike and Bettie Beaudrias with Jack and Jane Streckfuss.

As is customary at Ardsley Bonspiels, a large number of our members contributed to the success of this affair. Chairpersons Pat and Harold Haff and co-chairpersons Pippa and Geoff Broadhurst (who will run next year's bonspiel) extend their thanks to all who assisted on the various committees.

The traditional house parties Friday night were hosted by Jeanne and Lee Heffner, Jinny and Bob Hill, Claire Noble and Jane and Dick Wells.

Headless Horseman

On the weekend of 1/6,7,8,9 sixteen rinks from Ardsley enjoyed good curling, good company and good food.

The first event - The Washington - was won by Hank and Marilyn Eager and Richard and Ann McCray with Jinny Hill, Bill Havens, Brenda and Pat Clarke as runners-up. The second event - The Irving - was won by Len Warriner, John McCormack, Ruth Warriner and Jane McCormack with Ed Doonan, Ray Holt, Charlotte Holt and Anita Doonan as runners-up. The third event - The Katrina - ended in an exciting 11-end match with Teresa Welch's team of Ann Walker, Mary Jean Keenan and Kathy Mudge winning over George Shirk, Fran Garred, Claire Noble and Tom Beaver. Congratulations to all!

Special thanks to John Chebetar for Saturday evening's delicious lasagne dinner and to all who helped make this a success - especially Adam Chebetar who ran the entire event with the able assistance of his wife Jane.

New Year's Eve

The New Year's Eve party was a great success as almost 80 members and guests gathered to curl and ring in 1983. The evening's theme was "Scottish" and Tams and Glengarries were prominently displayed. Rinks were assigned to clans or Scot's regiments whose tartan badges they wore. The Gordons on Sheet #1 carried the day. Its three rinks captured all the prizes which were awarded for total points scored.

1st Prize - Keenans and Clarkes

2nd Prize - Ficaloras and Haffs

3rd Prize - Jim Lento, Jinny Hill, Katherine Dickinson, et al*

The basket of cheer, drawn for as the evening ended, was won by the Haffs. The Committee would like to thank all who assisted during the evening, especially Claire Noble and Walter Baggett.

Jane and John McCormack did a fine job running this event and wish to remind you all to sign up for next New Year's Eve, which will be coming up before you know it.

*not to be confused with E.T.

Mens's Curling

Wilds - Ardsley's Shirk-Beaudrias rink won this year's Wilds Competition with an 8-3 win/loss record. Assisting the co-skips were Lee Heffner, Herb MacIntosh, Tom Rothman, Ken Whitley and Bob Hill.

The Broadhurst-Godbold rink of Bill Havens, Charlie Marks, Bruce Mitchell and Larry Pike were in a three-way tie for second place with the Ken Cooper-Bland Button rink of the New York Caledonian Curling Club and a St. Andrew's rink skipped by Don McKay and Steve Mojo. All three rinks have a 7-4 record.

Windeler - At the half way point, Messrs. Shirk and Wells share the lead in the Windeler competition. The current standings are summarized below:

		<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
W1	Shirk	5	2
W5	Wells	5	2
W3	Whitman	4	3
W8	Beaudrias	4	3
W4	Chebatar	3	4
W6	Sibert	3	4
W2	Patterson	2	5
W7	Warriner	2	5

Mixed Curling

Bonspiel Playdowns - In the double knockout playdowns to represent our club in the Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel, which have been going on since November, the Patterson-Doonan rink won the upper half of the draw, the so-called winner's bracket with three straight victories, and the Beaudrias-Streckfuss team won the lower half or loser's bracket, having won three games and lost only one. All of the five other entrants were beaten twice. As reported elsewhere, the Patterson and Beaudrias rinks thus earned the right to play for Ardsley in the Bonspiel. By the luck of the draw, these teams met in the finals

of the third event. By winning this event, the Pattersons and Doonans not only won the bonspiel medals, but earned an additional prize as overall winners of the annual playdowns.

Kelley Weekend Competition - The second Mixed Curling weekend competition of the season - the Kelley - has reached the three-quarters mark. Standings after three rounds of play computed on a point basis are as follows:

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>	
Ficalora-Alesio	2	0	0	37 7/8*
Whitman-Eggleston/Dickinson	2	0	0	37 3/4*
Hill-Clarke	3	0	0	36 1/2
Wells-D. Whitley/Leonard	2	0	0	32 1/4*
Beaudrias-Elliott	2	0	1	31 3/4
Keenan-Faris/Alben**	2	1	0	24 3/4
Doonan-Ray	2	1	0	23 3/4
Sibert/Garred-Bereday	1	2	0	23 3/4
Fletcher-Holt**	1	1	0	21 3/4*
Caspers-Whitley	0	1	1	19 1/2*
Patterson-McCray	1	2	0	18 1/4
Warriner-McCormack	1	2	0	18 1/4
Nolan-Haff**	1	2	0	17 1/2
Eager-Thomsen	0	1	1	16 1/2*
Walker-Mudge	1	2	0	16 1/4
Welch-Streckfuss	1	2	0	16 1/4
Broadhurst-Beaver/Noble	0	2	1	14
MacIntosh-Kelley	0	3	0	9

*These six teams were scheduled to play on Sat., Jan. 15, when because of the threatened heavy snowstorm and bad driving conditions the games were cancelled. Points have been awarded for the games not played on the basis of the average number of points scored in their other games by each of the teams affected.

**Unfortunately, two games were defaulted. For purposes of determining points in the defaulted games, the winners were awarded points equal to the average of all the winners' points in the competition to date, and the losers were awarded the average per game of all losers' points.

One more round of matches, scheduled for January 29 and 30, remains in the Kelley competition. The final and following series of weekend games - the Whitley - will begin on the weekend of February 12 and 13.

On Sunday, January 23, after completion of the finals of the Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel, a set of informal games was played between non-combatants in the bonspiel who, after watching so long, were itching for an opportunity to prove to themselves that they compared favorably with the stellar teams that had represented Ardsley in the 'spiel. Results of these matches:

Whitley-Kelley defeated Ray-Clarke
Warriner-Fletcher defeated Wells/Heidorn-Beaver/Noble
Walker-Welch defeated MacIntosh-D. Mudge/B. Clarke
Wells-P. Clarke/Leonard defeated Bollenbacher-Faris/Alben

Ardsley Mixed Intra-Club Championship. The next event on the calendar is the Ardsley Mixed Intra-Club Championship for the Ardsley Mixed Bowl. This competition will be played as a three-event knockout playdown on February 4 (evening), 5 and 6. The following teams have entered:

Beaudrias-McCray	Godbold/Garred-Holt
Bollenbacher-Mudge	Keenan-Elliott
Broadhurst-Faris/Alben	Patterson-Beaver/Noble
Caspers-Streckfuss	Welch-Alesio
Doonan-Whitley	Wells-McCormack
Ficalora-Mitchell/B. Fletcher	Whitman-Bereday

Bill and Judy Kelley are chairmen for this event. Play will start Friday evening and a minimum of three games is guaranteed for all rinks entered. A bonspiel buffet supper, wine included, catered by John Chebetar will be served in the Warm Room to all contestants on Saturday evening.

Ladies Curling

Wells-Wicks. Midway through the Wells-Wicks competition, despite many substitutions, we have two undefeated teams. On Wednesday, Macintosh, Fletcher, Bollenbacher and Warriner and on Thursday, Smith, Walker, Heath and Russell. The competition will run for three more weeks with a playdown between the Wed. and Thurs. winners.

All American. This competition, sponsored by the U.S.W.C.A, will be run as a two-day bonspiel on Feb. 16 and 17. Watch for the sign-up and remember, you must be able to play both days.

Three Brooms. The second Three Brooms was hosted by Nutmeg on Jan 14. The morning teams lost their matches, but we did manage to win 5 ends and only lose by 2 stones to the "Mad Hatters" from Nutmeg, who are representing the East in our National Championship in Grafton, S.D. One of the best things about the Three Brooms is the opportunity it gives in the afternoon Friendly for new players to participate in an inter-club event. Representing Ardsley were Skip, Ruth Warriner, Doris Garrison, Elinore Wing and Ruth Russell.

The last Three Brooms will be held at St. Andrew's and will be crucial in deciding the winner. At this point Ardsley is in second place.

Ardsley Ladies Bonspiel. The Ardsley Ladies Bonspiel will be held March 1-3, with most of the guests arriving the evening of the 28th to be greeted by their hostesses in the Warm Room. This year 17 ladies will put up the visiting teams in their homes - a fact that may account for our bonspiel filling up so quickly. Tuesday night there will be house parties and Wed. night everyone will attend the Evening Dinner Theatre in Elmsford to see "They're Playing Our Song". Anyone who would like to go to the theatre party (and all are cordially invited), please see that Anita Doonan gets your \$25. by Feb. 6th. This covers dinner and the show.

Hershey Bonspiel. Barbara Brandt and Jean MacIntosh had the pleasure of introducing Vanda Ficalora and Claire Noble to the ladies bonspiel circuit and the facilities of the Hershey C.C. on Jan. 11-13 in their "Get to Know What Good Is" bonspiel.

Empire State, Utica. Teresa Welch, Ann Walker, Fran Garred and Kathy Mudge braved the -10° weather, an ammonia leak and a bye at the Empire State last week. They came within 1 shot of making the finals in the first event. Due to the bye, they only had two scheduled games. Five hundred miles and 3 nights away for two games because one team dropped out at the last minute.

U.S.W.C.A. Meeting. Jane Wells will attend the U.S.W.C.A. meeting in Cleveland as Ardsley's representative

Douglas Bonspiel. Two Ardsley rinks entered into this St. Andrew's bonspiel held the weekend of January 6-9.

Burns Patterson skipped his Ardsley rink of Dave Marr, Mike Beaudrias and Kay Sugahara to a victory in the finals of the second event and won the Griffith Medal. After losing their first match to Plainfield II, they won the next four games and defeated Plainfield I (Joe Beresford) in the finals.

The other Ardsley rink, skipped by Bob Whitman with Dick Wells, Jim Zonino and Ed Sibert unfortunately did not fare quite as well, but came away with a 2-2 record.

Albany Bonspiel. Bunky Harmon led a rink composed of Jim Lento, Joe Potter and Walter Baggett to Albany to play for The Governor's Bowl the weekend of Jan. 20-23.

After defeating two Schenectady rinks, Ardsley lost to Ed Brandt's Lake Placid team (with Jim Christie playing at third) in the semi-finals of the first event. Ardsley then lost to a Norfolk rink in the finals of the fourth event while Lake Placid went on to win The Governor's Bowl.

New York International Bonspiel, Feb. 24-27. This is our men's bonspiel, co-hosted with N.Y. Caledonian and Mahopac Curling Clubs. We expect to have 32 teams, which will compete on both Ardsley and St. Andrew's ice. Bring your friends to see what should prove to be some of the best curling in our vicinity this season.

House. The Iceman Cometh - and the Iceman Sayeth - that those among you who frolic upon the ice should clean your shoes before entering upon the playing surface.

In the past few weeks, we have found dirt on the ice and have had difficulty in removing it. Not only is it unsightly, but it can adversely affect the quality of the game. The best solution is not to wear street shoes on the ice - so speaketh the chairman.

From the number of people using the lower bleacher seats during the Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel with the Ice Room temperature at 24°F, the air circulation fans above the Ice Room windows appear to have substantially reduced, if not eliminated, the cold temperature problem in the bleacher seat area. These fans are connected to the floodlights above the seats and are turned on and off with those lights.

The campaign to provide our curlers with the best possible ice is continuing. The heater controls are being installed and, with controlled temperatures during curling, ice conditions should be more uniform. An additional filter to provide cleaner water for flooding and pebbling has been ordered and will be installed when received.

Sweaters. Any members interested in ordering an Ardsley curling sweater should call Jane Wells at 591-8078.

Rules. There seems to be some misunderstanding by Ardsley curlers about several of the GNCC rules.

One that is frequently ignored at Ardsley - more from ignorance than intention - is rule #7 regarding "Position of Players". Section (2) of that rule reads as follows:

"The players, other than the skip and acting skip, shall not stand behind the house, but shall place themselves along the sides of the rink between the hog lines, except when sweeping or about to deliver a stone".

The other - Rule #9 - reads as follows:

"Behind the tee line, the skip or acting skip of each team is entitled to sweep any stone but neither of them shall start to sweep an opponent's stone until it reaches the tee line". No other member of a team may sweep behind the tee line.

U.S. Curling Association Pins - Bill Havens has volunteered his services to seek contributions for the U.S. Curling Association. The funds received are used to support the U.S. Men's, Women's and Junior's activities. The contributions are tax deductible and the donor will receive a handsome pin.

One Last Note - When you are nearing the end of your second - or third game of the day and feel you just don't have the energy left to deliver another stone - think of this -

In Scotland, in the early 1800s, a family named Hood played the game with a stone weighing 117 lbs and called it "Jubilee". A few other stones of huge dimensions were "The Egg" weighing in at 115 lbs. and the Saut Basket at 116 lbs. (Imagine trying to deliver those stones.) So cheer up - things could be worse.

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New York International Bonspiel

The Ardsley, Mahopac and New York Caledonian Curling Clubs hosted the eighth N.Y. International Bonspiel at Ardsley and St. Andrew's on the weekend of February 24-27. Thirty teams, eight of whom were from Canada, were entered. Two Ardsley rinks joined the competition this year and progressed to the semi-finals of the second event before being eliminated. Ardsley #1 was skipped by Dick Wells with Bob Whitman, George Shirk and Ed Sibert. Ardsley #2 was skipped by Dave Marr who was assisted by Adam Chebetar, Ed Godbold and Jim Zonino.

The winners and runners-up were:

Big Apple Trophy:	Schenectady - Hequembourg
	Lancaster - Everson
N.Y. Caledonian Medal:	Lansdowne - Doherty
	N.Y. Caledonian #1 - Cooper
Ardsley Medal:	Scarboro - Symons
	Arnold's - McLeod
Mahopac Medal:	Garden State - Mitchell
	Nutmeg #1 - Mack
Eddison Medal:	City View - Frank
	Beaver Dam - Latham
St. Andrew's Medal:	Nutmeg #2 - Duvall
	Nashua #1 - Manheck

Even though Ardsley rinks did not end up victorious this year, two of our members distinguished themselves as substitutes on winning rinks - Ed Doonan played on the Scarboro rink which won the Third Event and Jim Lento played on the City View rink which won the Fifth Event.

Bunky Harmon, Kay Sugahara and Walter Baggett also curled in the bonspiel with various teams.

Many thanks to George Shirk who acted as the Ardsley coordinator this year - and also to Ed Hand, Harry Haynes, Bruce Mitchell, Julie Shirk, Sirkka Whitman and John Chebetar for their efforts.

The usual win-loss method of determining the fate of each team was dropped this year in favor of a point count basis of establishing the placement of each team in the semi-finals. Every team played four games and was awarded points based upon their performance. At the end of the fourth round the four teams with the highest point count entered the semi-finals of the first event, the next four teams entered the second event and so forth down the line to the sixth event. Thereafter the games were played on a win-loss basis with the losers dropping out.

Don't Forget!

We have an OPEN HOUSE coming up on Sunday, March 20th from 2-6 P.M. Bring your friends, wives, husbands, lovers and neighbors, etc. Hank and Marilyn Eager have arranged for instructors, a demonstration match, movie and wine and cheese.

Please note that this is a change from the originally scheduled date.

Charlie Upjohn

It's a nice feeling to know that our old curling friends are still interested in the Ardsley Curling Club. Charles T. Upjohn, of Green Valley, Arizona, and presently an Associate Member, has recently returned his Ardsley Curling Club bonds to us for cancellation. Many thanks, Charlie.

Ardsley Ladies Bonspiel

Jane Wells reports that the Ladies Bonspiel held on March 1-3 was a huge success. Probably because the format this year was different from the usual bonspiel program, our roster of sixteen rinks (fifteen of which were guests) was filled by December 30. Guest curlers stayed in our members' homes and the customary Bonspiel banquet was replaced by "An Evening" at the dinner theatre in Elmsford.

Seventeen Ardsley curlers housed the guests. Anita Doonan, Ann McCray and Jean MacIntosh gave dinner parties and the lunches in the Warm Room were provided by Marilyn Eager and a superb committee. Fran Garred and six of our loyal curling husbands acted as referees.

The first event was taken by Nutmeg with The Country Club runners-up. The second event was won by Ardsley with Westchester Wicks the runners-up, and in the third event Plainfield defeated Philadelphia in the finals. Teresa Welch, Skip, Ann Walker, Mary Jean Keenan and Cathy Mudge were members of the successful Ardsley team.

Men's Curling

Washington's Birthday Matches

The traditional match between Ardsley and St. Andrew's (and N.Y. Caledonian) was curled on Monday, Feb. 21, 1983 at St. Andrew's.

Although the score was much closer than last year, Ardsley prevailed and emerged victorious by a total score of 87-81

The medals, awarded to the rink on the winning club which wins by the greatest margin, went to Mike Beaudrias, Skip, Dave Marr, Walter Baggett and Norm Beaudrias (welcome back) who won their game by a 10 point margin.

Windeler

With only two matches remaining, Dick Wells, George Shirk, Mike Beaudrias, Bob Whitman and Adam Chebetar are in a five way tie for first place. The results to date are summarized below:

	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
W1 Shirk	7	5
W5 Wells	7	5
W8 Beaudrias	7	5
W3 Whitman	7	5
W4 Chebetar	7	5
W6 Sibert	6	6
W7 Warriner	4	8
W2 Patterson	3	9

Thorndike

Four out of the six openings in the final round of the Thorndike were won by Ardsley rinks. The winners and their new rink designations are T1 (Chebetar/Sugahara), T2 (Whitman/Marr), T3 (Wells/Sibert) and T6 (Patterson/Godbold). The Thorndike consolation event, the Halliday, will include one Ardsley rink H3 (Shirk/Broadhurst).

Jug Ogden

The latest Jug Ogden results are as follows:

		<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
C1	Smith	5	1
S2	Zwiefel	5	2
A3	Welch	4	2
A1	Lento	3	3
A2	Fletcher	3	3
S1	McKernan	3	4
C2	Phares	0	7

New Schedule

A modified schedule of the remaining men's inter-club matches (Thorndike, Halliday and Jug Ogden) has been posted on the Warm Room bulletin board.

Mixed Curling

The Kelley Competition - the second weekend mixed event of the season - was completed on January 30. Unfortunately, three games scheduled for Saturday, January 15, had to be cancelled because of heavy snow that day. Cancellation made it necessary to allocate points to the teams scheduled that day on the basis of their average performance in the three games they actually played. On this basis, the leaders were as follows:

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
Wells - D. Whitley/Leonard	3	0	0	47*
Hill - Clarke	4	0	0	46
Beaudrias - Elliott	3	0	0	42
Whitman - Eggleston/Dickinson	2	1	0	40 2/3*

*Based on three games played plus average points allocated for one cancelled game.

As is usually the case in Mixed weekend competitions, the three leading teams all benefitted from the assistance of substitutes in at least one of their games.

The Whitley Competition - the last weekend competition of the season - is now in progress. After two weekends of play, and with snow on February 12 having again caused the cancellation of three games, the leaders are as follows:

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
Warriner-Alesio	1	0	0	25 1/2*
Godbold/Leonard-Faris/Alben	1	0	0	23*
Walker-McCormack	2	0	0	22
Ficalora-Eggleston/Dickinson	1	0	0	21 1/2*
Mort/Heidorn-Streckfuss	1	0	0	21 1/2*

*Based on one game played plus equivalent points for the cancelled game.

Note that four of the five leaders have played only one of the two games originally scheduled. Their remaining games will obviously significantly affect their average scores for the cancelled game. The Walker-McCormack team with two real wins in hand is in a strong position.

Ardsley Mixed Intra-Club Bonspiel

On February 4-6, twelve teams vied for the Ardsley Mixed Bowl symbolic of the Club Mixed Championship. The teams were selected on a "Skip's Choice" basis. The skip couples were ranked in order by the Mixed Curling Committee and then selected their lead couples in inverse order to that ranking, i.e. the lowest ranked skip couple had first choice of a lead pair and so forth.

Results of the bonspiel were as follows:

First Event: Winners and Club Champions: Patterson-Beaver/Noble
Runners Up: Bollenbacher-Mudge

Second Event: Winners: Keenan-Elliott
Runners-Up: Beaudrias-McCray

Third Event: Winners: Whitman-Bereday
Runners Up: Ficalora-Mitchell/B. Fletcher

This event was chaired by Bill and Judy Kelley, who did a splendid job. An informal supper Saturday evening, catered by John Chebetar, was enjoyed by all participants. A good time was had. Congratulations to Burns, Bobby, Tom and Claire and thanks to Bill and Judy.

St. Patrick's Bonspiel

On the weekend of March 12-13 Mixed Curlers will have two days of curling between Saints and Sinners to settle on an overall team score basis the supremacy (at least in curling) of these two opposite approaches to the game. Rinks will be drawn by lot and assignment of rinks to the Saint or Sinner side will also be by lot. Obviously, the Saints will play the blue stones and the Sinners the red. Most rinks will play two games, one Saturday and one Sunday. To balance rinks, to give all curlers who want to play a chance and to reflect the fact some couples can only play once that weekend, a few curlers will play only in one game. Saturday evening, a very informal supper will be provided for participants.

The early (3 P.M.) draw on Saturday will probably be the subject of some filming for possible showing on the Today Show.

The Whitleys are in charge of this bonspiel. Margery Marks has made the arrangements for the Today Show filming. We hope that as many members of the Mixed Curling group as possible will attend.

Ladies Curling

Three Brooms.

The third and final match of the Three Brooms was held at St. Andrew's on February 18th. In the morning, Ardsley won 1 match in an extra end from Nutmeg but lost in the other match by 1 stone to the Wicks.

The other Nutmeg rink won their match from the Wicks rink. Therefore, Nutmeg was the winner of the Three Brooms with 4 wins and 2 losses. Ardsley was second with 3 wins, 3 losses and the Wicks had 2 wins and 4 losses.

In the afternoon Friendlies, Teresa Welch and her rink had a practice match for the Ardsley Ladies Bonspiel.

Wells-Wicks.

After six weeks of good competition the winning rink was skipped by Margaret Smith, with Ann Walker, Peg Heath and Ruth Russell. Congratulations to all.

All American

This was a two-day round robin competition between four teams. After 3 games, the teams of Smith, Welch and Whitman were tied with 2 wins each. Going to the point system, Smith and Welch were declared finalists and played off. The team of Welch, Walker, Keenan and Mudge again defeated Smith, Beadle, Fletcher and Garrison in the 11th end. They had had an equally exciting 11 end game that same morning.

Pull the Plug Party

Can you believe that the curling season is just about over? If you have any doubts, this should settle them.

It's PULL THE PLUG TIME - Saturday, March 26th - save the date. Co-hosts Dan and Janet Alesio and Dan and Kathy Mudge have announced that the theme will be "Italian Nite". In addition to fun and curling (maybe even fun curling), they plan a hot buffet of Italian food, wine and music.

Watch the bulletin board for time and sign-up sheet. The cost will be \$9.00 per person.

Out of Town Bonspiels

St. Andrew's Mixed Bonspiel - February 10-13.

Ardsley I, Whitmans/Pattersons, were "de-iced" in pursuing their third consecutive First Event Barnes-Fiske medal, which was won by Fred Gaukstern's Nashua rink.

After winning the first match, Bob Whitman lost to Schenectady in skipping the second match. Burns and Bobbie Patterson then moved up to skip couple and won the next two matches handily, but lost in the final of the Third Event to Lang Lynd's Potomac rink by 13-10 in an extra end.

Our Ardsley II rink - Warriners/Welches and Ardsley III rink - Doonans/Whitleys each won one and lost two. Don McKay's St. Andrew's rink won the Second Event.

109th Grand National Men's Championship at Schenectady, Feb. 17-20

Rinks from 23 GNCC clubs - including three district championship rinks from New York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania - vied for the "Gordon" gold medal, first played in 1869. Ardsley, with Dick Wells as skip, won the Gordon once in 1963.

Our Ardsley team - Whitman, skip, with Wells, Shirk and Sibert, lost to Albany, won its next two matches from Union College and Ken Cooper's N.Y. Caledonians but lost its semi-final in the Second Event to Garden State (Stan Rooney) on the last rock 7-6.

The First Event Gordon Medal was won by Amherst (Dennis Speller) over Schenectady (Rick Fink) by 7-6. Garden State defeated Ed Brandt's Lake Placid rink in the Second Event 9-4 and Hershey won the Third Event easily over Nashua.

Rochester Mixed

The MacIntoshes and Ficaloras jourined to Rochester the weekend we were all snowed in - remember February 11, 12 and 13th? - but fortunately got out of town before the storm hit. Their good fortune

lasted through their first match which they won handily, but the next day they unfortunately lost two. As the saying goes - they made lots of friends and had a good time.

Men's Curling Dinner

The men's final curling dinner will be held on Friday night, April 8th. Harold Haff will be in charge of the affair.

Stationery and Envelopes

All the stationery and envelopes that were formerly kept at the Country Club are now at Bunky Harmon's house.

Deadline for the next issue of Duck Soup is March 30, 1983.

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Men's Curling

Windeler - At the end of the regular double round robin, Bob Whitman's rink and Dick Wells' rink were tied for first place with a 9-5 record.

In the play-off to determine first place, Whitman's rink emerged victorious. The final standings were as follows:

Whitman	9-5	Beaudrias	8-6
Wells	9-5	Shirk	7-7
Chebatar	8-6	Warriner	4-10
Sibert	8-6	Patterson	3-11

Members of the first and second place rinks were:

Whitman	Wells
Harmon	Broadhurst
MacIntosh	Keenan
Storer	May
Whitley, K.	Welch
Streckfuss	Whitley, D.

As you may have noticed, the Burns Patterson rink was the winner of the ever popular "fur-lined" trophy this year.

Thorndike - The Ardsley rink skipped by Dave Marr and Bob Whitman took first place in this inter-club competition with St. Andrew's and N.Y. Caledonian Curling Club. The competition initially involved 10 rinks, four of whom were eliminated after the first round robin.

The final standings of the six rinks competing in the second round were as follows:

Ardsley #2	- Whitman & Marr	4-1
Ardsley #3	- Wells & Sibert	3-2
Caledonian #4	- Cooper & Slaybaugh	3-2
St. Andrew's #5	- S. Mojo & Bankes	3-2
Ardsley #6	- Patterson & Godbold	2-3
Ardsley #1	- Chebatar & Warriner	0-5

SUGAHARA

Other members of the winning rink were Mike Beaudrias, Herb MacIntosh and John Keenan.

The consolation event - the Halliday - was won by Hal Jasmine's N.Y. Caledonian rink.

Jug Ogden. The N.Y. Caledonian Curling Club #1 skipped by R. Smith won the Jug Ogden competition this year. The final standings (excluding 3 rescheduled matches we have no report on) are:

Caledonian #1	R. Smith	9-2
Ardsley #2	H. Fletcher	7-4
Saint Andrew's #2	H. Zweifel	7-4
Ardsley #3	J. Welch	5-6
Ardsley #1	J. Lento	5-7
Saint Andrew's #1	McKernan	4-7
Caledonian #2	Phares	2-9

Mixed Curling

Whitley Competition. This last weekend competition of the season was completed on March 20th. The winning rink were the Warriners and the Alesios. The final standings in the Whitley were as follows:

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Points</u>
Warriner-Alesio	3	0	50*
Mort/Heidorn-Streckfuss	3	0	45½*
Eager-Noble/Beaver	3	1	42
Broadhurst-Elliott	3	1	38
Welch-Clarke	2	1	38*
Walker-McCormack	3	1	37½
Doonan-Thomsen	2	2	36¼
Godbold/Leonard-Faris/Alben	2	1	34*
Beaudrias-Bereday	1	2	29*
Bollenbacher-Whitley	1	3	23½
Ficalora-Eggleston/Dickinson	1	2	22¼*
Caspers-Kelley	1	3	19¼
Fletcher-Mudge	0	4	10
Keenan-McCray	0	4	6

*One game for each of these teams was cancelled because of snow on February 12. Average points in three games prorated.

St. Patrick's Bonspiel. On the weekend of March 12-13, twelve rinks, six representing the Saints and six the Sinners, met in a two-day team match. Rink make-up as well as assignment to the Saints or the Sinners side were determined entirely by lot. The result was a smashing victory for "Sin" with 10 games out of the total of 12 played being won by the Sinners, one game tied and only one lost. Aggregate score for the twelve games was Sinners - 119 and Saints - 65.

Bob Hill, Betty Beaudrias, Catherine Dickinson and John and Jane McCormack comprised the rink that made the largest contribution to the Sinners' victory. They rolled up a total of 20 net stones in excess of those scored by their opponents and thereby earned the St. Patrick's medals as "high gun" for their side. The Pattersons and Clarkes were a close second with a net contribution of 19 stones and the Eagers, Tom Beaver and Claire Noble were third with a net of 17 stones.

The Whitleys, with help from the Keenans, were in charge of this event and ran a fine show with pizza and wine featured for an excellent Saturday night supper after the curling.

Ladies Curling

The final luncheon will be held at Jean MacIntosh's home on Fargo Lane, Irvington, on Thursday, May 5th at 12:00 noon. Weather permitting, it will be a picnic on the terrace.

Now that this season is out of the way the ladies are wasting no time getting ready for next year - they have already scheduled their opening luncheon for Friday, October 28th at the Ardsley Country Club.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Ardsley Curling Club, Inc. was held on Thursday, May 24, 1983 at the curling club.

The following members were elected to serve a term of three years as Directors: William J. Kelley, David H. Marr, Bruce E. Mitchell and Edwin L. Sibert, Jr.

At the meeting of the Directors of the Ardsley Curling Club, Inc. immediately following the Annual Meeting, the following officers were elected for a term of one year:

President	Howard L. Harmon, Jr.
Vice-President	Henry R. Eager, Jr.
Secretary	James D. Zonino
Treasurer	N. Herndon Fletcher

Corrections

The March 7th issue of Duck Soup contained two errors.

N.Y. International Bonspiel. We incorrectly stated that two Ardsley rinks made it to the semi-finals of the second event, whereas the Wells and Marr rinks were eliminated in the semi-finals of the third event.

109th Grand National Men's Championship. It had been reported to us that the first event (Gordon Medal) was won by Dennis Speller's Amherst rink. The first event, however, was actually won by Rick Fink's Schenectady rink which defeated Amherst in the finals.

Out-of-Town Bonspiels

GNCC Seniors Championships. Two Ardsley rinks entered this Bonspiel played at Nutmeg C.C. on March 3-6. Ardsley I (Wells - Skip, Whitman, Shirk and Sibert) had won the first event the two preceding years. This year they won 4 out of 5 matches and won the second place Bartlett Medal.

Ardsley II (Warriner - Skip, MacIntosh, Eager and Fletcher) who were the winners of the fourth event in 1981 and runners-up in the first event (against Wells et al) in 1982 did not fare as well this year and came home with a 2-2 record.

The first event, the Nutmeg Stone, was won by Albany I (Fitzgerald, Skip).

Plainfield Men's Bonspiel - March 10-13. Ardsley was represented by three rinks this year. Ardsley I (Mort - Skip, Baggett, Fagerberg and Mudge) beat Nutmeg I (Owens), lost to Ste. Anne DeBellvue and was finally knocked out by Ardsley II (Shirk). Ardsley II (George Shirk - Skip, Shirk III, Lincoln Heffner and Zonino) won 4 out of 5 matches, beating Garden State II (Mitchell) in the finals of the third event, thus winning the Plainfield Shield.

Ardsley III (Beaudrias - Skip, Chebetar, Bollenbacher and Faris) won their first three matches to get to the finals of the first event, only to lose there to Ste. Anne DeBellvue. That match went right down to the last stone in the last end and the outcome had to be determined by a measurement.

Norfolk Men's Bonspiel, Dec. 2-5, 1982. Ed Godbold writes from Aspen, Colorado to report on his rink's (Shirk, Baggett and Fagerberg) record at that bonspiel. On the way to the finals of the third event - which they unfortunately did not win - they won matches against Nutmeg (Mac Cover) and Westerly and lost to Schenectady and Norfolk.

The first event - the John W. Calder Trophy - was won by Nutmeg I skipped by former Ardsley curler Joe Lack.

"Golden Handle" Mixed Bonspiel - Nutmeg C.C. March 16-20. Ardsley was represented by two rinks in the 20th playing of this 24 rink bonspiel.

The Whitmans, with Fran Garred and Paul Mort, and the MacIntoshes and Fletchers all report that they had a great time (i.e. - they didn't do too well). According to Bob Whitman's reports their combined record was 50%-50%.

Iceless Bonspiel - Sept. 16-18, 1983. This year the Iceless Bonspiel, the annual pre-season gettogether of members from all the curling clubs in the Grand National Curling Club of America, will be held at Buck Hill Inn at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania in the Poconos.

For the uninitiated, the Iceless Bonspiel is a wonderful party, similar in many respects to a winter bonspiel, with golf, tennis, lawn bowling, quaiting and other outdoor activities taking the place of curling. This year's site is easily accessible from Ardsley and offers superb facilities for an outing of this sort. Information about reservations, costs, facilities, etc. may be obtained from Dick Wells, 591-8078.

Make your plans early and get together with your curling friends for a fine late summer weekend in the Poconos. There are tentative plans for a group from the New England-New York area to charter a bus for this trip. As of this date definite details are not available, however.

Curling Sweaters

Jane Wells has graciously offered to order Ardsley curling sweaters for any member who would like to have one for next season. If you do intend to order one, please call Jane within the next few weeks.

Another Great Pull the Plug.

Ninety five curlers and friends gathered for a final evening of curling, dining and, perhaps, even a wee nip or two on March 26th as another season drew to a close.

The Keenans, with Jim Faris/Laura Lee Alben, won the first prize for accumulating the most points. The Patterson's team and Adam Chebetar's team tied for second place. The two skips played off by each throwing two stones diagonally across the ice with Burns Patterson ending closest to the button.

The various other games were won by Dick Wells - famous landmarks, Paul Mort - pasta shells and Barbara Caspers - children's pictures.

The Alesios and Mudges did a fine job organizing the evening and John Chebetar and family did an equally outstanding job in preparing the excellent dinner.

We have just learned that Burns Patterson loaned his ice skates that evening and they are no longer at the Curling Club. Would anyone knowing the whereabouts of his "blades" be good enough to give him a call.

1983 Fundspiel

For many, the curling season has ended. The sweaters have gone to the cleaners and the shoes are put away. However, for some it is time to begin work on next year's fundspiel. The Faris-Alben/Kelley/Mudge triumvirate is handling this event and have already started planning, but need your help. As you go to the attic to put away your winter things, look around for some "treasures" that might be donated to the silent auction. The earlier we all start gathering these items, the bigger and better the auction. (Call Judy or Kathy for pick-up.) Also, start thinking of services you might donate. As the ideas occur to you, jot them down, or better yet, call one of the committee. Lastly, if anyone is interested in helping plan next year's fundspiel, please call them. They need lots of help and would appreciate any suggestions.

And Last But Not Least

Many thanks to all who have regularly contributed material to Duck Soup, including Dick Wells, Bob Whitman, Jim Zonino, Ed Sibert, George Shirk, Fran Garred and Jean MacIntosh.

See you all on the ice next year - we hope!

Jinny and Bob Hill