

October 2, 1990

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As you read this, the club's compressor is hard at work and ice is being made. Another year of curling is almost upon us. You are probably already aware of your Board's decision to raise dues by 15% in order to meet higher operating costs without resorting to another assessment. In making this unhappy decision, your Board scrutinized all the costs and projected the revenues carefully. It is an unfortunate fact of life that our costs are almost entirely fixed, and while the prospects of finding new members are good, we will be hard pressed to keep up with the depletion of our ranks due to members moving away, etc. Redouble your efforts to find new members. Each new member provides additional dues with almost no addition to our operating costs.

The picture is not totally dark, however. In spite of our financial difficulties, your Board was able to allocate funds for a major overhaul of the dehumidifier and minor (but important) repairs to the refrigeration system. The quality of the ice is a primary concern of your Board and we all feel that these expenditures will pay off handsomely.

As you all know, we are very much a do-it-yourself club. Volunteers are always needed, and not just to run the many social events of the year. If you have skills and experience in such areas as electrical work, carpentry, plumbing, or even if you can only man a paint brush, get in touch with Burns Patterson. Once again Burns is taking three weeks off to get the clubhouse and the ice in shape, and he needs all the help he can get.

I'm looking forward to another good year of curling and fellowship at Ardsley. I hope to see a big turnout at the Open House on October 20th and 21st, and then I'll be seeing you on the ice!.

Good Curling, Brian Kenny

CLEAN UP DAY

Although work is going on almost continuously now to prepare the ice and the warm room for the oncoming season, one last effort will be made on Saturday, October 13th from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. This is the day when the leaves get raked, the weeds pulled out, the windows washed, the furniture polished, the walls waxed, the basement cleaned, things painted, etc. IT TAKES A LOT OF WORK AND NEEDS MANY HANDS. UNFORTUNATELY, NOT TOO MANY PEOPLE HAVE VOLUNTEERED IN THE PAST. BURNS PATTERSON HAS DEVOTED MANY DAYS AND WEEKS OF HIS TIME TO GET THE PLACE IN SHAPE AND DESERVES MUCH MORE HELP THAN HE HAS RECEIVED IN THE PAST.

So - set that date aside - and show up at the club in your old clothes prepared to work!

OPEN HOUSE

All club members have already received notification on the dates and times of the Open House but, just in case you have mislaid the information, here it is again.

Dates: Saturday and Sunday, October 20th and 21st.

. Times: 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM each day

Format: Reception 1:00 to 1:30

Talk: 1:30 to 2:00 Curling: 2:00 to 3:00

Instructors will take prospective members out on the ice and help them throw stones and perhaps have a short practice game.

Please have your guests dress casually and wear shoes that they will be able to curl in if they choose to go onto the ice. We will have tape available for shoes.

The Open House is for members of all clubs - Ardsley, Ardwicks, New York Caledonian and St. Andrews. Some clubs may hold separate Open Houses on subsequent days, but their members are urged to participate in this event.

Members are urged to set a goal of inviting at least one guest to the open house and to attend with their guest and socialize with other prospects.

Please forward the names of Ardsley prospects to Jerry McCarty and to Archie Bruce for St. Andrews prospects.

Kim Freeman and Takane Aizeki have prepared press releases for several publications to advertise the Open House. In addition, St. Andrews and Ardsley will be participating with Nutmeg in the winter sports show to be held in Greenwich one week before the Open House. Volunteers are needed for the show. If you can help, please contact Kim Freemen or Jerry McCarty.

The T-U Curling School lessons are offered to new members free of charge. The lessons will be held October 25th through the 28th. See the next page for more information on the school.

T-U CURLING SCHOOL

Ray Turnbull is bringing the T_U Curling School back to Ardsley once again for four days beginning Thursday evening October 25th. The first class for beginners (Level I) will be held on Thursday evening at 7:00 PM. The Level II class will start at 8:30 PM on Friday the 26th. The school will continue throughout the

weekend as usual except that on Sunday afternoon all new curlers will play in actual games and Ray will teach the strategy session on the ice.

These changes plus an 80+ page manual containing the heart of Ray Turnbull's yet-to-be published hard cover book on curling makes for another great learning weekend. The new "book" is divided into three sections - Mechanics of Curling, Mental Preparedness, and Strategy.

Anyone interested in improving their curling should take this course. The cost is only \$80.00. Space is limited to the first 36 to register. Contact Wayne Stewart to enroll.

NEW CURLERS JOINING THE CLUB THIS YEAR WILL RECEIVE THESE LESSONS FREE OF CHARGE AS IN THE PAST TWO YEARS.

CURLING SUPPLIES

Jim Bender, the Golf Pro at the Ardsley Country Club, will be carrying a full line of curling shoes, selected brushes, gloves and his usual array of sweaters and cold weather sportswear. The Pro shop is in the smaller building north of the main clubhouse.

MEN'S OPENING CURLING DINNER

The combined Ardsley, N Y Caledonian and St. Andrews men's dinner will be held at the Ardsley Country Club on Friday October 19th. Cocktails are at 7:00 PM and dinner at 8:00 PM. Return address post cards have already been sent out to all members. If you did not receive yours, please call Brian Kenny to make your reservation.

COCKTAIL PARTY

The opening cocktail party, held at Terry Crandall's house on Saturday, September 22nd, was a tremendous success. The committee, chaired by Kay Sugahara with the help of Chris Bertchie and many others, deserves our thanks.

Although the weather could have been better, at least it didn't rain and most of the party was held outdoors under a tent in Terry's beautifully landscaped back yard. The pool was there for anyone who wanted to take the plunge but it wasn't quite warm enough for that. Geoff Broadhurst got the 1990/91 50-50 raffle underway successfully, the committee awarded door prizes to a large number of lucky people, others won prizes for winning various mysterious games, and all enjoyed delicious food and refreshments.

Many thanks to Terry for opening her house to the curling club - we appreciate it.

THE BONSPIEL TRAIL

It may seem premature to be reporting out of town bonspiel results but one men's team, one ladies team and two mixed teams have already competed in their first bonspiels. It happened at Cape

Cod during the month of July. An Ardwick team skipped by Kim Freeman with Alison Bankes at three, Elaine Scherocman at two and Takane Aizeki at lead won the third event by beating a team from Wisconsin. Walter Baggett, with Paul Mort, Wayne Stewart and Bill Winkler, entered the men's summer spiel and won'their first match but not the next two. Geoff and Pippa Broadhurst with Herb and Jean MacIntosh entered the Cape Cod Mixed and "had a great time". Nancy Sable reports that she and Brad played front end for John and Jane McCormack in the same bonspiel and got to the fourth event before being eliminated.

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50-50 RAFFLE

Geoff Broadhurst is running the raffle this year. The format will be the same - 200 tickets will be sold at \$50.00 per ticket and 50% of the gross sales will be awarded as prizes. The first prize will be \$2500.00, the second and third prizes will be \$1000.00 each and the five third place prizes will be \$100.00 each. If less than 200 tickets are sold then the prizes will be prorated.

Geoff has already sold quite a few tickets and has distributed unsold tickets to some members for sale. If you are approached to sell some tickets we hope you will cooperate.

MIXED CURLING

The Daveys have sent out questionnaires to all mixed curlers. Please fill them in and return them as quickly as possible.

At the present time the first mixed curling session will be held the weekend of November 2-4.

MEN'S CURLING

Weeknight curling is scheduled to start the week of October 22nd and weekend curling the 3rd and 4th of November.

LADIES CURLING

The Ardwicks opening luncheon will be held at the Ardsley Country Club on Saturday, October 13th. Cocktails will start at 12:00 noon and the luncheon at 1:00 PM. Anyone wishing to attend should call the Ardsley Country Club (914-591-8150) by October 9th to make reservations.

The Ardwicks open house will be held on both Wednesday and Thursday, October 31st and November 1st, at 10:00 AM for the purpose of introducing new members and practice. Bring your own sandwich (or sandwiches if you are bringing a guest).

Scheduled curling will commence the following Wednesday and Thursday, November 7th and 8th.

The Candlewicks will start their season on Thursday night, November 8th.

OUT-OF-TOWN BONSPIELS

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Sign up sheets will soon be posted in the warm room for men's, mixed and ladies out-of-town bonspiels. If you are interested in participating in one of these events sign up as soon as possible. If more than one team signs up and the host club can only accommodate one rink then playoffs can be held.

LIMERICK TIME

We've decided to add a new competition this year - a limerick competition. We ask any member willing to spend a few minutes writing a limerick and willing to face the jeers of fellow members, to send us an original limerick. An anonymous committee will read all limericks and print the best two in the next issue of Duck Soup.

At the end of the year, the person who has been selected as the best "limerickist" (?) will receive a prize at the "Pull the Plug Party. There is only one rule - the limerick should be related, no matter how distantly, to curling.

As a sample you might consider the following, to which I freely admit being the author:

Said General Sherman to President Lincoln, There's a strategy of which I've been thinkin', Our foes we'll entice To a game on the ice, And end up not fightin' but drinkin'.

Entries should be sent to Bob Hill, 50 Ardsley Avenue West, Irvington, NY 10533.

NEXT ISSUE

At this point we have not determined when the next issue of Duck Soup will be printed. It is safe to say that it will probably not be published until sometime late in November.

It will be helpful if all Committee Chairmen send in their news to me as soon as possible. Because the fire at the Ardsley-on-Hudson Post Office causes some delay in the mail, please send your information to me at 50 Ardsley Avenue West, Irvington, NY 10533.

Bob Hill



DOUGLAS INTERNATIONAL BONSPIEL

The fourth Douglas International Bonspiel, which is a combination of the New York International, formerly hosted by the Ardsley Curling Club and the N. Y. Caledonian Curling Club, and the Douglas Bonspiel, formerly hosted by the St. Andrew's Curling Club, was held the weekend of January 3rd through the 6th.

A total of twenty teams participated in the six events, enjoyed a banquet at St. Andrew's Golf Club on Friday night and a buffet dinner in the warm room on Saturday night.

Dave Marr's Ardsley 2 rink, with John McCormack at 3rd, Charlie Marks at 2nd and Jerry McCarty at lead, won the 1st event, the Douglas, by defeating Ken Cooper's NY Caledonian 1 rink. Ernie Slaybaugh played 3rd for Cooper while George Austin and Hank Lombard played the front end. This was the same Caledonian rink that won the Douglas Medal last year.

The New York Caledonian Medal, awarded to the winner of the 2nd event, was won by Stuart Mann's Truro Curling Club rink from Nova Scotia. John Hiltz played three while two Ardsley curlers, Walter Baggett and Bob Hayes, substituted at the front end. The runner-up in this event was the GNCC team skipped by Pete Mitchell, with Dave Dewees, Chuck Owens and Bunky Harmon.

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THE SCOTTISH LADIES ARE COMING

Two teams of lady curlers from Scotland will be competing against two Ardwick teams on Friday, January 31st at 10:00 AM. These ladies have been touring the United States and are nearing the end of their trip, so let's turn out and give them a friendly welcome!

NEW MEMBERS

We want to welcome the following new members who have joined the club within the last month:

Todd and Katy Clough, Mixed, Ardsley, 201-263-3061. Peter Ewert, Men's, NYCAL, 914-937-5663 Katie Gohde, Candlewicks, 914-962-4012 Ritsuko Sakurai, Ardwicks, 914-591-4521 Mieko Takiguchi, Ardwicks, 914-591-3738

Douglas International con't

The Ardsley Medal, awarded to the winner of the third event, was won by Steve Smith's NY Caledonian 3 team composed of Bob Smith, Trevor Davey, and Bland Button. They defeated St. Andrew's 2, skipped by Art Mojo, with Mitch Zajkowski at Vice (but throwing last rocks), Kenny Knoll and Tom Folk.

The fourth event, the Williamson, was won by Burns Patterson's Ardsley 1 rink, with Adam Chebetar, Jeff Hughes, and Paul Cmejla. They defeated Bob Klouman's Nutmeg 1 rink composed of Bob Reid, Jay Fisher and Dick Montgomery.

The Mahopac Medal, awarded to the winner of the fifth event, went to the Treeline Curling Club of Toronto with Larry Green at skip, assisted by Ray Billet, Bruce Green and Marc Harris. They defeated the Canadian Club of New York skipped by Terry Kawaja, with Ken Ottenbreit, Terry Joyce and Doug Allen.

The St. Andrew's Medal, the sixth event, was won by Hal Jasmine's Cape Cod rink. Bill Kelley (throwing skip's rocks), Marion Scholes and Budd Whinn completed the rink. The runner-up was Pete McKernan's St. Andrew's 1 rink with Gert Messing, Ashley Griggs and Gerry Scherocman.

Art Mojo was Chairman of the Bonspiel Committee this year. Assisting him were Paul Mort, Carl Phares, John Kassebaum, Max Croucher, Kim Freeman, Jane McCormack and countless others. They did a great job and deserve our congratulations and thanks.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The holidays are behind us and we are now heading into the heart of the bonspiel season, prompting a few comments on how the curling year is progressing:

The Christmas dinner at St Andrew's Golf Club and the New Year's Eve party were great events, full of the best of curling and holiday fellowship. Thanks to Elaine and Gerry Scherocman and Betty and Walter Steinemann for all of their hard work on these two evenings.

Membership - We started off with a successful drive, but it is never too late to bring in a relative, friend or neighbor to see the sport. You might get a surprise and sign them up on the spot, or you plant a seed for next year.

Safety - The rate of spills on the ice has slackened. I think we're all a little more careful now. Keep it up. Let's be more careful on the roads too. We all know how diligent the local police forces can be. Using a designated driver is an idea that's hard to beat.

And now, looking ahead, mark your calendars for our mixed bonspiels in February.

The Headless Horseman Bonspiel - February 1st - 3rd The St. Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel - February 14th - 17th

Information on the Headless Horseman is included in this issue, and you have already received a letter from the Committee running the St. Ardsley.

50/50 Raffle - We have postponed the drawing from New Year's Eve to February 2nd during the Headless Horseman Bonspiel. This is an important fund raising event for the club - we depend upon the income. See any director to buy a chance or call Geoff Broadhurst. Come to the Saturday evening dinner during the Headless Horseman for the drawing.

United States Womens Curling Association Senior Bonspiel - We are hosting this national event at Ardsley from March 12th to March 14th. Let's cheer our teams on and let's also show the visitors how terrific Eastern curling hospitality can be.

Brian Kenny

WANT YOUR VERY OWN CURLING STONE?

If you do, the Ardwicks will be glad to give you the opportunity. They are selling chances for a stone to help raise money for the USWCA Senior Women's Bonspiel. The chance are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. Either Jinny Hill or Shirley Bruce will be happy to accommodate you. The stone is now on the hearth in the warm room. Thanks to former member Barbara DeRoos for donating it to the club.

And, best of all, if you win the stone, you don't have to carry it home. The Ardwicks will either deliver it in person or have it shipped to whatever address you provide - within the continental United States.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Some sixty revellers attended the New Year's Eve party at the curling club to partake in an evening of curling, dining and games.

The team of Herb and Jean MacIntosh with Charlie Marks and Marlene Verdes were the winners in the curling competition. They were closely followed by The Broadhursts and Paul Mort and Bob Hayes.

The "draw to the button" contest was won by one of our new curlers, Chris Hepburn, who came within 17" of the tee. Burns Patterson and Jane McCormack were not far behind.

Special presentations were made to Walter Baggett for volunteering the use of his garage for the fruit sale and to Steve Smith for his continued encouragement and help to new curlers.

Some good natured ribbing followed. Walter Baggett was awarded a set of four matching paper bags to offer his rink continued anonymity when facing another misfortune on Canadian ice or Ardsley ice. Steve Smith was awarded a pacifier to satisfy his cravings for a cigarette or beer while out on the ice instructing new curlers.

Prizes were also awarded to Isobel Mort and Pam Siebert for their creative hats.

Many thanks to Betty and Walter Steinemann for all their work in organizing the party, and to all the others who contributed appetizers and time.

SENIORS

The yearly Ardsley/Nutmeg Seniors Competition will be held on Friday, January 25th, at 10:00 AM at Ardsley. It's the Good Old Boys of Nutmeg vs. the Ice House Gang of Ardsley. The Ice House Gang will try to recapture the GOB/IHG plaque. Lunch will follow at the Ardsley Country Club. All Seniors are invited. Call Bob Whitman for further information.

THE BONSPIEL TRAIL

Kim Freeman, Marilyn Nichols, Chris Bertchie and Takane Aizeki won "The Silver Bells" (2nd event) at the Broomstones Ladies Bonspiel on December 7th - 9th.

Kim reports that their only loss was to St. Paul, MN in their 2nd game, when their strategy to steal one backfired and they lost six. After that they breezed through the rest of their games and defeated Nutmeg in the finals of the 2nd event.

EIGHT ENDERS

When we mentioned the names of members who have scored eight enders in the previous issue of Duck Soup, we were unaware that Don McKay had also scored an eight ender in a match against Derek Kayser at the end of the 89/90 season.

LIMERICKS

At long last someone has responded to our request for a limerick. In fact, Helen Siebert has provided us with two limericks as follows:

As I was going out to curl
I hit the ice with a mighty whirl
A spin on the broom
with disaster-a loom
I scored the button, stone uncurled.

There was a new curler with tenacity
But she delivered the stone with anxiety
After each throw
How would she know
If the slide would change her anatomy

Many thanks to Helen. Are there any other aspiring limerists who would like to submit an entry? The contest doesn't last forever and the prize will be awarded at the Pull the Plug Party.

MEN'S CURLING

Wilds competition

The Adam Chebetar/Walter Baggett team was the winner of this season's Wilds Competition. At the end of the eight regular games

they were tied at 6 and 2 with the Patterson/Ficalora rink. The Chebetar/Baggett rink won a close playdown against the Patterson/Ficalora rink on December 9th to clinch first place. Brian Kenny, John Keenan, Max Croucher and Masaaki Murakami played on the Chebetar/Baggett team and Kevin Clancy, Bob Hill, Lee Heffner and Doug Griffin were on the Patterson/Ficalora team. The final standings were as follows:

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^{*} Tie decided by playdown. Won by Chebetar/Baggett

Blanton Competition

Steve Smith's rink of Jerry Scherocman, Brian Kenny, Bill Havens and David Murdoch, with a record of 9-2, won this season's Blanton Competition. At the present time there are two rinks tied for second place - Ashley Grigg's team and Derek Kaiser's team. A playoff will be scheduled to determine who wins the silver medal. The final standings are as follows.

Rink	Skip	W	<u>L</u>	Rink	Skip		<u>w</u>	$\overline{\mathbf{r}}$	
B3	Smith	9	2	B8	Stead	•	5	6	
B10	Kayser	8	3	B1	Bankes		5	5	*
B11	Griggs	8	3	B 5	Kassebaum		4	7	
B4	Slaybaugh	7	4	B9	Winkler		4	7	
B6	McCormack	5	6	B12	Hughes		4	7	
B7	Marks	5.	6	B2	Baggett		1 '	9	*

^{*} B1 and B2 did not play their match

COMPETITIVE LEAGUE

The standings as of January 10, 1991 are as follows:

Rink	Skip	<u>w</u>	<u>L</u>	Rink	Skip	<u>w</u>	Ţ
C1	McKernan	3	1	C5	Freeman	1	2
C2	Messing	2	1	C6	Baggett	3	0
C3	Murphy	1	2	C7	Austin	2	2
C4	Scherocman	2	2	C8	Sugahara	0	4

1st Curler: Sounds like George had a few disagreements with his

skip tonight!

2nd Curler: How can you tell?

1st Curler: I just overheard him tell the bartender that this was

the first time he had been given the right amount of

ice all evening!

LADIES CURLING NEWS

The new Ardwick curling pins have arrived and can be purchased for \$3.00 each (cash only). They are displayed in the trophy case in the warm room.

The All American Competition was curled by both the Ardwicks and the Candlewicks for a six week period commencing November 7th and ending December 30th.

The	Ardwicks	results	are	as	follows:	

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W-1 Bruce	-5	1	W-3 Patterson	2 4
W-2 MacIntosh/McKay	3	3	W-4 Smith	2 4

The Candlewicks results are as follows:

	: Skip	W	L		Rink	Skip	W	L	
C2	Buchanan	5	1		C3	Freeman	2	3 *	į
C1	Bertchie	3	2 *	4	C4	McCormack	1	5	
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Shirley Bruce's team of Jan Conner, Vanda Ficalora, and Betty Steinemann will play off against Sandi Buchanan's team of Helena Crowley, Takani Aizeki, and Mary Saul to decide the winner of the All American competition and the coveted All American pin.

The Clan, curled on Thursdays by the Ardwicks, was won by Marita Smith's team of Molly Babcock, Jan Conner, and Marlene Verdes. At the end of the competition two teams were tied for second place. Jinny Hill's team of Marcella Hanlon, Marion Cowles, and Jane Murff, and the Bobby Patterson/Mary Jean Keenan team of Marilyn Nichols, Jeanne Heffner, Ann Dudley and Betty Steinemann each had a record of 3-3. Going to points, the Patterson/Keenan rink won 45-35. The final standings were as follows:

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T4	Smith	4	2		T2	Hill	4 "	3		3
T3	Patterson/Keenan	3	3		T1	Bruce		2		4

THE SHOOTOUT

The team of Sugahara/Freeman beat the Chebetar/Kenny team to win the finals of the 1st event. Ian Bruce's team defeated the Steinemann/Verdes team to take the 2nd event. The Smith/Siebert

Steinemann/Verdes team to take the 2nd event. The Smith/Siebert rink defeated the Broadhursts in the Consolation event and the Buchanans defeated Clancy/Martin in the Super Consolation event.

ARDSLEY KIDS AND JUNIOR CURLING

Don and Nadja McKay are happy to report the following news about our Junior Program:

The youth program has really taken off this year. We have a total of 29 kids signed up, 8 of which are in the junior category (over 11 yrs). The Little Rockers (5 yrs. to 11 yrs) are doing extremely well thanks to the instruction of Adam Chebetar and Molly Babcock.

The Juniors use the regular 421b. stones and are guided in their form and strategy by Stève Smith. They are beginning to realize there is more to curling than just getting their stones to the other end of the sheet. They do need practice as they would love to go to a bonspiel. They were invited to Utica's Junior Bonspiel but they were not quite ready for it this year. Therefore, we ask that any rink that would like to challenge these youngsters to a game on Friday afternoon or on any Saturday when ice is available, to please contact the McKays to set it up.

The Little Rockers have been invited to their first bonspiel, hosted by Plainfield, on February 9th. We shall report on that in the next issue of Duck Soup.

The Ardsley Curling Club has donated their club pins and sweater patches to the Juniors and Little Rockers and they will be proudly worn and traded at future bonspiels.

If you want to watch the kids curl, stop down any Friday afternoon after school.

DUES

The Board of Directors, at the January 1, 1991 meeting, voted in favor of posting the names of any member who was 30 days delinquent in payment of dues. Said posting would occur 45 days after payment was due. Since payment was due, in full, by 1/1/91, posting would take place on February 15th. Posting would automatically bar a member from curling and the use of the club facilities. In the case of a hardship, the Board may waive posting a member's name.

CURLING ETIQUETTE

In addition to the "Rules of the Game" there are rules of etiquette which every conscientious curler should observe. These unwritten laws give a curler a feeling of well being and aids in the retention of the historic dignity of the game.

- 1) Don't be late. Be ready to step on the ice at the designated time. When you are late you are holding up th other seven players.
- 2) If, as the skip in a competition, you know that you will

soon as possible.

- 3) Once the game has started, in no way disturb a curler in the hack. Keep your distance, be silent and be motionless. Do not disturb the curler's concentration.
- 4) Be ready to take your position in the hack as soon as your opponent has delivered his stone. This speeds up the game. Delay detracts from the game.
- 5) Do not walk, run, or slide across the ice in front of a curler in the hack.
- 6) Keep alert and pay attention to every shot being played in your game, the shots of your opponents as well as your team-mates.
- 7) Be ready to commence sweeping immediately upon your teammate releasing the rock. Don't stand too close to his line
 of delivery because you may interfere with his
 concentration. Stay with the stone all the way down the ice
 if possible. You never know when your skip may call for
 sweeping and if you are not there to sweep, a good shot
 could be lost. When you are through sweeping a stone, get
 out of the house and take your position between the hog
 lines.
- 8) Do not gather around the hack or house when an opponent is preparing to deliver his stone. When you are a sweeper, your position is on the sidelines between the hog lines.
- 9) If you are skipping, make your decisions as quickly as possible. Long delays between shots detract from the game.
- 10) Be quick to compliment a good shot by either side. A curler should never pass an adverse remark about a poor shot or smile at an opponents misfortune.
- 11) And finally, at the end of the game, whether you win or lose, give each of your opponents a handshake.

BARI MORT CLASSICAL PIANO RECITAL

Paul and Isobel Mort's daughter, Bari, will gaive a classical piano recital at the Ardsley Country Club on Sunday, March 10th, at 5:00 PM. PLease call the club for reservations for the recital and dinner to follow.

NEXT ISSUE

The next issue will go to press immediately following the St. Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel on the 17th of February. Please have all your news submitted, in writing, to Bob or Jinny Hill by that date.



February 18, 1991

SAINT ARDSLEY MIXED BONSPIEL -

Sixteen rinks participated in the seventh Saint Ardsley Mixed Bonspiel the weekend of February 15th-17th.

The Fiske Barnes Medal, awarded to the winner of the 1st event, was won by Gert Messing's St. Andrew's #2 rink with Sandi and Doug Buchanan (of Ardsley) at Vice and two and Tracy Messing at lead. In an exciting 10 end game that was close through the first eight ends, Gert's team defeated Arthur Mayhew's Nutmeg #3 rink by picking up two points in the 9th end to go into the 10th end with a three point lead. Thereafter it was just a matter of keeping the house clear until Nutmeg ran out of stones.

Herndon Fletcher's Ardsley #1 rink, defending last year's victory in the second event, returned to do it again this year winning the Childs Medal. Fletch, with Marilyn and Dave Nichols playing Vice and two, and with Bette playing lead, defeated Don McKay's St. Andrew's #1 team. Helping Don this year were Nadja at Vice while Brian and Heather Kenny (Ardsley) played front end.

The Saint Andrew's Bowl, awarded to the winners of the third event, was won by Don Wight's Nashua team. They defeated Mac Cover's Nutmeg # 1 rink with Jo and Chuck Owens and Cindy Boss (substituting for Anne Cover).

The fourth event, The Ardsley Mixed Medal, was won by Ken Cooper's Nutmeg #2 team of Anne Barnes and Gus and Susan Fowler. The runners-up were Sam William's Brae Burn rink with Julie Shirk Williams and Brad and Roseann Glaser.

Friday night's banquet was held at the Tarrytown Hilton where the crowd danced the night away to the music of Glen Miller, Benny Goodman, Tommy Dorsey, Harry James and many other orchestras, all of whom were at the beck and call of our DJ.

The Saturday lunch was once again hosted by Charles and Ann Elliott at their home just across the golf course from the curling rink. Many thanks to them for opening up their house to us each year. The Saturday night dinner was held in the warm room as in past years.

Charlie Elliott won the big Penny Guessing contest. He guessed that there were 5,999 pennies in the jugs. There were actually 6,110 pennies, but his was the closest estimate.

Alison and Ralph Bankes were the Chairmen this year and were ably assisted by Gloria and Peter Hortensius. Unless you have run

a bonspiel, it is difficult to realize just how much work is involved from the sending out of invitations in the fall to the final cleanup of the warm room on Sunday night after the last curlers have gone home. The Bankes and the Hortensius's did it all and are deserving of the thanks of the entire membership for their work. Our thanks also go to the many volunteers who helped with the desserts and Hors d'Oeuvres.

HEADLESS HORSEMAN FEBRUARY 1ST-3RD, 1991

Heather Kenny, assisted by Mary Furnari and Joe Amato, ran the Headless Horseman this year. Once again it proved to be an extremely successful affair with more people wanting to curl than could be accommodated in a 16 rink bonspiel. Perhaps the committee should think about expanding this event into a bigger bonspiel next year.

Those attending the Saturday night cocktail party and buffet dinner were able to watch curling while they ate. Our thanks to the committee for a job well done.

The results were as follows:

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		1st event)	
	Winner		Runner-up
	Gert Messing	Skip	Herb MacIntosh
	Cindy Boss	Vice · · ·	Jean MacIntosh
	Ed Siebert	Two	Paul Mort
	Pam Siebert	Lead	Jan Fagerberg
	7	The Irving	
		2nd Event)	767
	Adam Chebetar	Skip	Trevor Davey
	Jinny Hill	Vice	Kitty Davey
	Bill Havens	Three	Paul Cmejla
٠	Ritsuko Sakurai	Lead	Helen Siebert
	·	he Katrina .	
	τ .	3rd event)	
	Steve Smith	Skip	Gerry Scherocman
	Kathy Mudge	Vice	Elaine Scherocman
	Dan Mudge	Three	Isa Barghout
	Nancy Clancy	Lead	Suad Barghout
	Th	e Graveyard	i
		4th Event)	
	Burns Patterson	Skip	Tony Ficalora
	Bobbie Patterson	Vice	Vanda Ficalora
	Bunky Harmon	Three	Scott Silverman
	Bruce May	Lead	Alice Yeh

The club wishes to extend its condolences to the families of Ralph Babcock, Fran Hanlon and Mary Lombard.

50/50 RAFFLE

The drawing for the winning raffle tickets was held Saturday night during the Headless Horseman. We are pleased to announce that the following persons were the lucky winners. 1st prize - Dennis Nagami; 2nd prize(2) - Mrs. Leigh Moll, Robert Smith; 3rd prize(5) - Jerry McCarty, Sharon Gallagher, MHP Films, Ray Turnbull and Warren Brooke.

Due to the hard work of Geoff Broadhurst, the Raffle Chairman, and all those others who undertook to sell tickets, the Ardsley Curling Club realized a net of \$4,275.00.

Our thanks to all those people who participated in the raffle.

CURLING STONE .

The Ardwicks are still willing to sell you a chance to win your very own curling stone. The chances are being sold to help raise money for the USWCA Senior Women's Bonspiel which will be held at Ardsley from March 12th to the 14th. The chances are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. See either Jinny Hill or Shirley Bruce if you are interested. The drawing will be held at the PULL THE PLUG party and, if you win, the stone will be delivered to you any place in the continental United States.

PULL THE PLUG SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD

How time flies! It may be hard to believe, but the end of the season is fast approaching. Save the date and plan to come party, eat and curl. Judy and Bill Kelly are already hard at work planning for the evening and will shortly have a sign-up sheet posted in the warm room.

Members of all four curling clubs and their non-curling spouses and friend are invited to attend.

Watch the bulletin boards for more information.

ANOTHER LIMERICK

I once bought a teflon slider
In hopes to throw a good biter
When my shots became spastic
I switched back to plastic
Since I drifted out wider and wider
Joe Amato

SCOTTISH LADIES TOUR

Five teams of Scottish ladies toured the eastern United States for three weeks, from January 13th to February 2nd, playing 137 games in 19 different clubs on all but two days. When they returned to Scotland they had run up a score of some 400 points in excess of the U. S. ladies.

Two of the five teams appeared at Ardsley on January 31st and played against two Ardwick teams. Kim Freeman's rink of Helena Crowley, Sandi Buchanan, and Jane McCormack played Kate Caithness's Scottish Team #4. Shirley Bruce's team of Nadja McKay, Elaine Scherocman and Jan Conner curled against Jean Robertson's Scottish Team #5. Although our ladies put up a valiant fight, they did nothing to offset the enormous lead the Scots had accumulated before arriving in this area.

MEN'S CURLING

These are the results of men's curling competitions as of February 17th.

WELLS	COMP	ETI	TI	on
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Rink W1 W2 W6 W7. W5	Skip McKernan Messing Patterson Scherocman Whitman Harmon	₩ 5 4 4 3 2	L 0 1 1 1 2 3		Rink W10 W11 W3 W8 W9 W12	Skip Smith Kayser Chebetar Godbold Marr Griggs	W/2 2 1 1 1 1 1	L 3 4 4 4
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Rink TS	Skips Bankes/McKay	<u>₩</u> 3	<u>L</u>		Rink TC	<u>Skips</u> Baensch	<u>W</u>	<u>Li</u>
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TA1	Chebetar/ Whitman	2 ,	2	X ¹	TA2	Patterson, Marr	1	3
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Rink JA1 JC	<u>Skip</u> Kenny Austin	₩ 3 3	<u>L</u> 1 1		Rink JA2 JX	Skip McCarty Bruce, A.	₩ 1 1	<u>1</u> 3 3

SENIORS

Our Ice House Gang hosted the Good Old Boys from Nutmeg on Friday, January 25th, in their annual home and home series. The visitors won 26-14.

At the subsequent luncheon, Joshua Smith, the perennial chairman of the Good Old Boys, thanked our Ice House Gang for providing four substitutes. He said the four, namely, Havens, Heffner, MacIntosh and Phares, performed superbly. Bob Whitman later assured the Ice House Gang that he would not repeat such a mistake.

A return match is scheduled for February 20th at Nutmeg.

PRESIDENT'S DAY COMPETITION

Due to a poor response from men interested in curling in the traditional President's Day Competition, the Committee decided to ask the ladies to enter some teams. On Monday, February 18th, three ladies teams skipped by Bobbie Patterson, Jinny Hill and Chris Bertchie played against three men's teams skipped by Steve Smith, Burns Patterson and Bunky Harmon. The men outscored the ladies by a score of 33-12 with Steve Smith's rink winning by the biggest point margin.

THE BONSPIEL TRAIL

CHESAPEAKE MIXED BONSPIEL

Kevin Clancy (skip), Sandi Buchanan (vice), Doug Buchanan (two), and Nancy Clancy (lead) won the 1st event of the Chesapeake Mixed Bonspiel on January 18th - 20th. Their first 3 games included victories against Potomac I, Hershey and Potomac III. They defeated Martin Wyatt's Chesapeake rink to win the finals of the 1st event by a score of 9-7. All four curlers had a great time and highly recommend the bonspiel to others next year.

GOVERNOR'S BOWL

As dawn broke on the 25th of January, Vince Brice, Joe Amato, Jerry McCarty and John McCormack began the journey to the Albany Curling Club to participate in the 25th Governor's Bowl Men's Bonspiel. The first match, played on excellent ice against an Albany team, resulted in a one point loss. Nothing daunted, our heroes took the second game against Petersham I. The score, 15-5, brought a temporary pause in the team's criticism of John's strategies. In the third match, well played before a large gallery of spectators, Ardsley had the hammer in the eighth end with the score tied 5-5 against Petersham II. After the skips' first rocks Ardsley was lying with a well guarded stone just touching the button. With his final rock, Rick Robinson, the Petersham skip,

dramatically drew the button, outlying Ardsley by several inches. John McCormack then delivered a heavier stone in an attempt to drive out Petersham and lie. Despite valiant sweeping by Joe and Vince, orchestrated by Jerry's guttural appeals to the law of physics, the stone wicked a guard giving victory to Petersham.

Although not finalists, the rink enjoyed the fine curling and warm hospitality of the Albany club. This 16 rink bonspiel, attended by 14 out-of-town teams, had been cancelled in 1990 due to a lack of participation. Its rebirth in 1991 is reassuring to those concerned with the future of bonspieling.

GNCC CHAMPIONSHIPS, ROCHESTER; NY

Entering the GNCC Championships this year were St. Andrew's, skipped by Gert Messing with Ashley Griggs, Gerry Scherocman and Iain Bruce and Ardsley, skipped by Adam Chebetar with Ed Godbold, Walter Baggett and Joe Amato. The format of the championship was changed this year to a double knockout event leading to a championship round, with the eventual GNCC champ winning a birth in the USCA championships.

St. Andrew's, after losing their first game, went on to win the "C" division, which placed them in the championship round. Saint Andrew's beat the "A" division finalist, Utica I, then played Brae Burn, the "B" division winner, for the right to play the "A" division champ for the GNCC title. In a great game, Saint Andrew's lost to Brae Burn on the last rock and were awarded the Mohawk Medal for their third place finish in the championships.

Though Ardsley did not fare so well in the double knockout event, they went on to play very well in the consolation round, reaching the finals. In a terrific game, Ardsley just missed winning the consolation round.

AND SOME MORE LIMERICKS by Ed Siebert

On a bonspiel weekend, with four anxious senders
There was little room left for any contenders
While the Sieberts and Bankes
Cried for joy in their hankies
They came off the ice as eight enders

For diversion me and my honey
Joined a sport which appeared very funny
The stones went a-whirling
At Saturday night curling
I thank God we don't play it for money

A CHORUS LINE

The Ardwicks, who are hosting the USWCA Senior Bonspiel, have 25 extra tickets available for a performance of "A Chorus Line" at the Westchester Broadway Theatre in Elmsford on Wednesday evening, March 13th at 6:00 PM. All the participants in the bonspiel will be attending that night. Why not join the fun and come along? The tickets are \$35.00 each, which includes dinner and the show. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the warm room in the near future.

NEW MEMBERS

Two more curlers have joined the Ardsley Curling Club since the last issue of Duck Soup. They are: Donald Bishop who can be reached at Refined Sugars Corporation in Yonkers, (914)963-2400 and Ken and Shigeko Yoshida, 12 Shaw Lane, Irvington, (914)591-8177.

ARDSLEY YOUTH CURLING

Our "Kids" attended their first "Little Rockers Bonspiel" at Plainfield on Saturday, February 9th which, incidentally, is the first kid's bonspiel put on by Plainfield. Although we have approximately 20 Little Rockers, only the following were able to attend due to other Saturday commitments. They were: Elizabeth Chebetar, Nora and Kevin Clancy, Carl and Tracy Hawkins, Shingo and Kaori Sakurai, and Amanda and Marissa Zayas. Catherine Chebetar also attended but could not participate due to a broken wrist - not from curling, but from roller skating.

The McKays - Don, Nadja, Eddie and Robbie - transported the stones from Ardsley as Plainfield had only one set. Steve Smith

also attended as our coach and future junior mentor.

Plainfield had approximately 25 Kids and they did a magnificent job keeping them entertained on the ice, as well as off. They mixed up the teams and requested that they make up their own team names. They were The Destroyers, The Fighters, The Warriors, and The Giants -to name a few. The Penguins were the little ones, 5 to 7 years old. Plainfield uses a half-way hack which encourages the kids to get the stone to the "other end".

Everyone went out for a points game at the half-way hack, then went on to play 2 four end games. When they returned to the warm room, the two opposing teams had to go through a "curling quiz" which also counted for points toward the total score. It was amazing how much, or how little, the teams knew.

In between, a lovely lunch was provided by the host club at

a nominal charge. It was enjoyed by all.

The purpose of this full report is to alert everyone to the fact that this was the first Kids Bonspiel in our area and was

enthusiastically received by all who attended. It has given he children the incentive to continue curling as well as the enthusiasm of the parents to have another next year. We thank the parents for attending and socializing. It seemed to be in agreement that Ardsley will host next year and invite Nutmeg to participate. Who knows, this may become the "Great Tri-State Bonspiel". We hope you will all support us next year.

Nadja and Don McKay

NEXT ISSUE

The next, and final, issue of Duck Soup will go the press during the first week of April. Please have all your material in to Jinny and Bob Hill by March 31st.



April 25, 1991

GOLF OUTING

After quite a few years in limbo, the Ardsley, Nutmeg and St. Andrew's Men's Golf Outing is back on the track this spring. It is scheduled to be held at the Ardsley Country Club on Thursday, June 6th. An added feature this year will be a separate Ladies Golf Outing on the same day. There is a separate flier enclosed herewith for the Men's Outing. If you want to play, please send the form to Tony Ficalora. For information on the Ladies Outing please call

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Members from the 1989-90 season remember that we were forced to have an operating assessment. This past season we sought to avoid an assessment by raising the dues. The amount of the dues increase was predicated on an assumption regarding the number of curlers who would return from the previous year plus an assumed number of new members. We did very well in the latter category, but we lost a higher-than-expected number of returning curlers. As a result, this year all of our clubs combined totalled 199 curlers, versus last year's 213. In spite of the dues increase, our total dues revenue this year was \$61,300.00 as compared with last year's total dues plus assessment of \$66, 520.00, an unfavorable swing of over \$5,000.00. Since our expenses are essentially fixed, there was little we could do to reduce expenses in light of the decreased number of curlers and dues revenue. We are forecasting that for this fiscal year (which ends September 30th) we will have an operating deficit in excess of \$5,800.00. A comparison of this year's estimated results to last year's figures is provided below.

We can finance the deficit with cash reserves but, in doing so, we will deplete all of our cash. The key to next year's success or failure from a financial point of view will again be membership — not only attracting new members but also bringing back those who still live in the area but did not curl this year. If each of us works on this problem during the summer, and brings in one new or re-enlisted curler, our financial troubles will largely disappear.

More detailed financial statements are available from Bob Hill. If you have any questions on these financial matters, please feel free to phone Bob or me. We will be happy to discuss them with you. Until the fall, have a great summer, and THINK MEMBERSHIP.

Brian Kenny

:	1989/90	1990/91	Increase/
	<u>Actual</u>	Estimate	(Decrease)
Receipts Dues and Assessments Raffle, Net Bonspiels/Club Events Fruit Sale Other (a) Total	\$66,521	\$61,300	\$(5,221)
	4,350	4,276	(74)
	3,036	1,946	(1,090)
	2,966	2,800	(166)
	3,078	2,800	(278)
	79,951	73,122	(6,829)
Disbursements Ice Maint./Supplies (b) Electric Real Estate Taxes Rent Insurance House Operations (c) Club Administration (d) Total	\$18,472	\$18,800	\$ 328
	15,866	15,750	(116)
	11,988	14,000	2,012
	9,000	9,500	500
	5,936	7,333	1,397
	8,876	6,920	(1,956)
	6,291	6,640	349
	\$76,429	\$78,943	2,514
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 3,522	(5,821)	\$(9,343)

- (a) Includes pin sales, interest income, and other income.
- (b) Includes payment to J. Vulpone, maintenance on compressors, etc., propane for heaters, supplies.
- (c) Includes telephone, heating fuel, house maintenance and supplies, bar food, amortized cost of new bar sink, misc. expenses.
- (d) Includes medals, accounting fees, GNCC dues, billing charges, bank charges, postage and printing.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Don McKay has reported the results of the World Championships held in Winnipeg. Scotland won the men's championship by defeating Canada in the finals. The U. S., skipped by Steve Brown of Wisconsin, tied for third place with Norway. The U. S. women, represented by a team from Texas, unfortunately did not fare as well - they came in last. Norway won the women's championship.

MEN'S CURLING

WELLS

Congratulations to Gert Messing's rink of Ken Knoll, Dave Morrison, Scott Silverman, Walter Steinemann and Bill Winkler who

won the Wells competition by defeating Pete McKernan's rink by a score of 7-4 in the final round robin match. The members of Pete's team were Doug Buchanan, Carl Honzak, Pete Hortensius, Paul Mort and Dennis Nagami.

The final standings were:

Skip	W	·L	•	Skip	W	L
Messing	10	1	•	Godbold	5	<u>=</u>
McKernan	9	2		Smith	5	6
Scherocman	7	4.		Griggs	4	7
Kayser	7	4		Chebetar	3	8
Whitman	5	6		Marr	3	8
Patterson	· 5	6		Harmon	3	8

There was a three way tie for the "FUR LINED" trophy with Adam Chebetar, Dave Marr, and Bunky Harmon joining a long list of some of our finest curlers who have, alas, come in last.

THORNDIKE

The Adam Chebetar/Bob Whitman team of Tony Ficalora, Bunky Harmon, Bill Havens, John Keenan, and Herb MacIntosh won the Thorndike competition. At the end of the regular schedule they were tied at 7 and 3 with the Ralph Bankes/Don McKay team of Iain Bruce, Carl Honzak, Derek Kayser, Gert Messing, Art Mojo and Mitch Zajkowski.

The Chebetar/Whitman rink defeated the Bankes/Mckay rink by a score of 8-2 in the playoff.

The final standings were:

Skips W		L	Skips	W	L
Chebetar/Whitman 7		3 *	Marr/Patterson	4	6
Bankes/Whitman 7		3 *	Baensch/Stead	2	8
* Tie - playoff v	พดท	hy Chehet	ar/Whitman		

JUG OGDEN

Brian Kenny, with Joe Amato as Vice Skip, won the reactivated Jug Ogden competition. That rink included Isa Barghout, Bob Hayes, Paul Mort, Masaaki Murakami, Ken Osaki, and Charles Tirendi.

Brian Kenny, as the winning skip, will become a Blanton skip next year.

The final standings were:

Skip	- <u>W</u>	L		Skip	W	L
Kenny	7	3	()	Bruce, A.	5	5
Austin	б	4	¥	McCarty	2	8

BLANTON

Ashley Griggs and Derek Kayser finished the regular Blanton schedule in a tie for second place, each having an 8 and 3 record. Ashley's rink defeated Derek's rink in a playoff by the score of 4-2 thus becoming the winners of the second place silver medal.

The other members of the Griggs's rink were Kevin Clancy,

Jerry McCarty, Gert Messing and Bill Switzer. Those on Kayser's team were Doug Buchanan, Adam Chebetar, Carl Phares and Scott Silverman.

COMPETITIVE LEAGUE

The standings for the second session of the competitive league, which finished too late for the previous issue of Duck Soup, were as follows:

Skip	ke.	W	L	Skip	W	L
G. Messing		6	1	P. Murphy	· <u>4</u>	3
W. Baggett		5	2	G. Scherocman	3	4
G. Austin	•	4	3	K. Freeman	2	5
P. McKernan		4	3	K. Sugahara	0	7

Although we don't have the standings for the final session, we do know that Chris Bertchie's team of Kim Freeman, Marilyn Nichols and Takane Aizeki came in first.

ST. ANDREW'S SUMMER PICNIC

Save the date, Sunday, August 11th, Greenwich Point, Clambake area, Noon to Sunset. All curlers and their guests are invited. Additional information will be mailed at a later date.

U. S. WOMENS CURLING ASSOCIATION SENIOR BONSPIEL

On March 11th, sixteen teams from Connecticut, Illinois, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nebraska, New York, New Hampshire, Ohio and Wisconsin assembled at the Ardsley Curling Club as the Ardwicks hosted the 9th Annual USWCA Senior Bonspiel. Whereas normally clubs are given four year's notice to prepare for this event, the Ardwicks were asked in February, 1990, to replace the Utica Glengarries of the Utica Curling Club in hosting the bonspiel.

A welcoming party at the home of Sally and Joe Rogers, Ed Doonan's daughter and son-in-law, with Ed acting as the gracious host, was the kick-off for three days of good curling and fun.

The opening ceremony on Tuesday morning, March 12th, featured the first rock being thrown by Ardwick's Anne Dudley, who refers to herself as "the oldest living curler", and being swept by Barbara Moses and Re Lacher, incumbent and incoming USWCA Presidents. Bagpipes skirled and three of our own kilted curlers led the parade - Archie Bruce, Bob Hill and Burns Patterson.

On Tuesday evening Margaret and David Murdoch hosted a fine dinner party for 78 persons at their home in Scarsdale, where engraved crystal apples commemorating the event were presented to each participant.

On Wednesday evening, with great enthusiasm, it was off to the Westchester Broadway Dinner Theatre to see "A Chorus Line".

Thursday, of course, brought the finals. The first event was won by the Nashua Country Club, NH, Nancy Wilbur, Skip 7-2 over Mayfield, OH, with Ann Abbey, Skip. The second event was won by Arden Hills, MN, Jan Evingston, Skip, 11-3, over The Country Club, MA, Elizabeth Childs, Skip. The third event was won by Virginia C.C., MN, Kay Norri, Skip, 7-4, over Winchester Country Club, MA, with Bunny Butler, Skip. The fourth event was won by the Chicago Curling Club, IL, Barbara Moses, Skip, 6-4 over North Shore, IL, June Krumholz, Skip.

The Ardwicks were represented in the bonspiel by a team skipped by Marita Smith, Bobbie Patterson, Molly Babcock and Carol Meszaros. Unfortunately they did not make it to the finals but, in at least two of their games, they had the audience on the edge of their seats.

For the first time in the history of this Bonspiel the fourth event runners-up received a trophy, the new ARDWICKS SILVER TEAPOT, a fitting complement to the first event trophy, which is a silver tea kettle.

Shirley Bruce deserves our thanks and praise for an excellent job as the chairman of the event. Assisting Shirley in making the Bonspiel an outstanding success were the following Ardwicks: Marcella Hanlon - Rules/Umpires/Subs, Jan Conner - Treasurer, Carol Meszaros - Accommodations/Pins/Trophies, Kathy Mudge - Decorations, Bobbie Patterson - Welcoming Party/Warm Room Hospitality, Margaret Murdoch - House Party, Jinny Hill - Dinner Theatre, Mary Jean Keenan and Diane Mojo - Transportation, Jean Glus - Photographer, Kim Freeman - Publicity, Sandi Buchanan and Cindy Boss who just kept turning up and helping everywhere.

Thanks also to all those men and women who drove many of the out of town teams during their stay here.

THREE BROOMS

On Thursday evening, February 21, the Candlewicks met the Nutmeg Eves on the ice at Ardsley for the Three Brooms competition. Although the match was keen with two of the three matches being very close, Nutmeg went home with the most points. The winning Nutmeg skips were Jill Owens, Diane Muldowney, and Evelyn Nostrand. The Candlewick skips were Ann MacMillan, Chris Bertchie, and Sandi Buchanan. Nutmeg retains the trophy for having the greatest number of points after three matches.

LADIES CURLING

Highlander

Winner - Bruce, S., Babcock, Keenan, Kenny, H., Dudley Runner-up - Smith, Patterson, Ficalora, Lundgren, Fletcher

Wells-Wick (Between Ardwicks and Candlewicks)
Winner - Candlewicks - Bruce, S., Crowley, Case, Gohde
Runner-up - Ardwicks - Smith, Nichols, Steinemann, Barghout

Fun Day January 16, 1991

Winner - Dudley, Ficalora, Kenny, H., Huebner - 11 pts. Runner-up - Smith, Lundgren, Conner, Glus - 4 pts

Jr. Skip (Wednesdays)

Winner - Buchanan, Patterson, Babcock, Dudley Runner-up - Lundgren, MacIntosh, Steinemann, Yoshida

Jr. Skip (Thursdays)

Winner - Nichols, Meszaros, Conner, Sakurai Runner-up - Verdes, Lundgren, Cowles, Barghout

1991/92 ARDWICK OFFICERS

President - Jinny Hill, 1st Vice Pres. - Nadja McKay, 2nd Vice Pres. - Shirley Bruce, Secretary - Marion Cowles, Treas. - Jean Glus

CLEAN UP DAY

Thanks to the following ladies who took care of the final clean up for the season: Shirley Bruce, Jean MacIntosh, Margaret Murdoch, Kathy Mudge, Bobbie Patterson and Betty Steinemann.

THE BONSPIEL TRAIL

Golden Handle

Four of our teams entered the Mixed Bonspiel at Nutmeg this year. Ardsley I with Herb MacIntosh at skip with Jinny Hill, Bob Hill and Jean MacIntosh; Ardsley II skipped by Kay Sugahara with Jean and Pete Murphy and Linda Foster; St. Andrew's I skipped by Archie Bruce, with the other three Bruces; and St. Andrew's II skipped by Kim Freeman with Ashley Griggs, Sandi Buchanan and Doug Buchanan.

Ardsley I, with a record of 3-2 were runners-up in The Little Handle, the fifth event. Ardsley II, with a record of 5-2, won the Rat Race Rock, the fourth event. St. Andrew's I had a record of 3 and 3. St. Andrew's II, with a record of 3-2, lost in the semifinals of the Friendship trophy, the third event.

During the course of the bonspiel various Nutmeg curlers were called in as substitutes to replace absent or ailing Ardsley curlers.

LAST ISSUE

This is the final issue of Duck Soup for this season. There will be other mailings to members during the summer and early fall regarding the St. Andrew's picnic and plans for next fall.