

Duck Soup

for Ardsley Curlers



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SEASON OPENS WITH A BANG

It has been many years since so many curlers have filled the ice at Ardsley. As of November 5th we have 172 active curlers signed up to play in the many different leagues. Ardsley leads the way with 83 curlers, followed by Nutmeg with 45, New York Caledonians with 27 and St. Andrew's with 17. These numbers do not include Associate members or Junior curlers. We expect to see a slight increase in the total as others, who have not sent in their Data Sheets, join the crowd.

Welcome to the Nutmeg curlers. We hope you feel at home at the Ardsley Curling Club.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

The Membership Committee, chaired by **Jim Kindler** and assisted by **Rosemary Kindler, Don Tore, Isa Barghout, and Pete and Jean Murphy**, advise that 15 new curlers have joined our ranks following the Open House held on October 24th and 25th. They are:

Alison Antoniow, 544 Villa Avenue, Fairfield, CT (203-331-1844);

Amy Benesh, 1360 Midland Avenue, Bronxville, NY (914-237-0241);

Jack Elliott, 1 Manse Lane, Scarsdale, NY (914-472-1599);

Steve Hess, 2 Ilinka ane, Irvington, NY (914-591-6525)

Jan and Gretchen Kaag, 12 Liberty Street, Ossining, NY (914-762-3582);

Zuzana Loviskova, 218 Clinton Avenue, Dobbs Ferry, NY (914-693-4741);

Bob and Nancy Moye, 704 Hunters Run, Dobbs Ferry, NY (914-479-0109);

Kevin Murphy, 60 Kensington Lane, Yorktown Heights, NY (914-243-7983);

Guy Raymond, 4455 Douglas Avenue, Bronx, NY (718-601-4988)

Paul Rooue, 49 Glen Oaks Drive, Rye, NY (914-835-1170);

Anne Schneider, 100 Belden Avenue, Dobbs Ferry, NY (914-693-6472)

Bob and Lisa Shakotko, 47 Scenic Drive, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY (914-478-4783)

In addition, **Gene Fluck**, who has curled for many years at the Philadelphia Curling Club, has joined us for this one year while working in this area. His address is 85 Roosevelt Street, Pearl River, NY. We also want to welcome back **Daid Crowley** and **Diane Ritter** who have not curled with us for a few years.

COMING EVENTS

FRUIT SALE.. Carl Phares and Heather Kenny are hard at work again this year. The sign-up sheet has already been posted in the Warm Room and they are more than happy to take your orders. We are offering 4/5 Bushel boxes of delicious navel oranges or pink grapefruit for \$22.00 a box, - the same price as last year. The fruit is scheduled to be delivered to **Brian and Heather Kenny's** house at 13 Hudson Road, Irvington, NY on December 11th. The fruit will be ready for you to pick up the weekends of December 12th and 13th and December 19th and 20th.

The fruit sale is a very important fund raising event for the curling club and we urge all members to call their friends and neighbors and urge them to order fruit.

If you do not expect to be in the warm room to sign up, then either call **Heather Kenny** at 914-591-6906 or **Carl Phares** at 914-941-5116 to place your order.

TURKEY TROT BONSPIEL.. Our own intraclub fall bonspiel will be held Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday, November 27th-29th. A sign up sheet will shortly be posted in the warm room. Men and women curlers from all clubs curling at Ardsley are invited to participate.

ST. ANDREW'S CHRISTMAS PARTY. Gerry and Elaine Scherocman have agreed to chair the party this year. For those of you who are new to the club, the party is held at the St. Andrew's Golf Club in Hastings-on-Hudson. The party is scheduled to be held on Sunday, December 13th. It really is a grand affair with cocktails, dinner, singing and the exchanging of gifts with the help of a local Santa Claus. Try and make it if you possibly can! a Sign-up sheet will be posted in the warm room.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AT ARDSLEY.. Walter and Lillie Baggett promise another exciting evening of dining, dancing, curling. The committee has not yet been formed and plans are yet to be announced, but there will be a party! The draw starts sometime after 6:00 PM. Each game is two ends and then the players come off the ice for an hour before going on for the next game. The sign-up sheet will be up by December. Volunteers are needed for decorating, hors d'oeuvres, dinner and clean up.

THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN BONSPIEL .. Save the weekend of January 15-17, 1999 for this intraclub open bonspiel. In past years we have had a 16 rink three or four event bonspiel with medals, prizes, cocktail parties, dinner and, you name it, we've had it. This event is played like a regular GNCC bonspiel and you don't have to go away to enjoy it.

THE 64th DOUGLAS INTERNATIONAL BONSPIEL.. February 25th-28th 1999. The New York Caledonian Curling Club is chairing the event this year and **Vic Huebner** is THE

CHAIRMAN. The committee held their first meeting in August. Some invitations and notices have been hand delivered to European clubs by people traveling to Europe this past summer. One team from Halifax, N.S. has already signed up and there is rumored to be a Scottish team coming. Invitations to U.S. and Canadian teams will be mailed within the next few weeks.

George Austin has agreed to chair the Douglas Journal committee. For the past several years the Journal has contributed greatly, not only to the success of the bonspiel, but to the financial health of the Ardsley Curling Club. If you wish to place a personal ad, or if your company would like to place an ad, please call **George (914-961-7305)**

Mitzie Wang, who is in charge of the Saturday dinner at the bonspiel, is looking for volunteers to help her out. Her telephone number is 914-946-6855.

THE GOLDEN HANDLE MIXED BONSPIEL. March 18th to 21st, 1999. More information on this Nutmeg Curling Club event will follow in future issues of Duck Soup.

PULL THE PLUG. Saturday, April 3, 1999. The final day of curling and partying of the 1998-1999 curling season at the Ardsley Curling Club.

LEAGUE NEWS

THE COMPETITIVE league is no more! It is now the **Thorndike**, named after **Ashley Thorndike**, who first became a member of the Ardsley Curling Club in 1946. He curled with us until January 1971 when he suffered a fatal heart attack after delivering his stones in the fourth end of the quarter finals of the Douglas Bonspiel at St. Andrew's. The Ardsley Curling Club created the Thorndike Trophy and medals some years ago for a men's weekend competition, but it has not been in use in recent years. With the former competitive league becoming so popular, it seemed time to put the trophy back in play. 1946 may not seem to be too far back for some of us, but in looking up the information on Ash I note that in those days the roster listed his telephone number simply as Irvington 1647.

The Thorndike has 12 teams playing in two draws on Monday evenings, 7:00 PM and 9:00 PM. After the first round robin of 11 games, the top 6 teams (the A group) will play against each other and the bottom six teams (the B group) will play each other. At the end of this round robin, the two last place teams in the A group will drop down to the B group and the two top teams in the B group will move up to the A group. After another round robin, the team with the greatest number of wins for the entire competition will be awarded the medals. Please note there is no second place medal!

MEN'S CURLING. There are nine teams playing in the Blanton competition on Wednesday evenings. There are just four teams playing in the Wilds Saturday morning competition. As these games are just getting started there are no results to report.

WOMEN'S CURLING. The Tuesday evening group has 6 teams and started the ICE BREAKER competition on Tuesday, Nov. 3rd.

The Thursday morning group, with 24 curlers, will occupy three full sheets. They also have started their Ice Breaker competition on Nov. 4th.

MIXED CURLING. There are 22 teams entered in the mixed curling competitions. The Saturday afternoon and evening sessions will start on November 7th. Because of the conflict with the Opening Dinner on Friday, November 6th, the Friday group will not start until November 13th.

So many people wanted to curl on Saturday afternoon that ten teams were formed. Four of those teams will curl at 2:00 PM and the remaining teams at 4:30 PM. Each of the ten teams will curl twice at 2:00 PM during the five week session.

COUNTRY CLUB DINING PRIVILEGES.. Now that the curling season has officially started, Active members of the Ardsley Curling Club (and that includes Active members of the Nutmeg Curling Club curling at Ardsley, N.Y. Caledonian Curling Club and St. Andrew's Curling Club) are welcome to use the dining facilities at the Ardsley Country Club. The hours and days that meals are served may vary from month to month during the winter season so it is advisable to call in advance (914-591-8150) to make sure they are open and to make reservations. Normally the club is open for lunch and dinner Friday, Saturday and Sunday during November, December and January. It is closed in February and then reopens in March. Dress in the Grill Room is casual (sweaters and shirts with open collars are permitted), but jackets and ties are required in the main dining room. Blue jeans are not permitted in the club house. Members of the curling club are not subject to a minimum charge. To charge meals and drinks, use the same account number you use at the curling club. All members of the curling club, including members of Nutmeg, NY Caledonians , St. Andrew's and new members of Ardsley, have been assigned account numbers. If you don't know your account number already, check with Tom at the curling club bar and he will give it to you.

THE BONSPIEL TRAIL. While most of us have been thinking of things other than curling this past summer a group of dedicated curlers have been busy here and abroad.

MIXED SUMMERSPIEL, CAPE COD C.C. JULY 8TH TO 11TH.

The number of people from our area participating in this event is almost too large to include - especially because only Geoff Broadhurst took the time to let me know who showed up. In any event, here's what information I do have.

ARDSLEY 1 - Geoff and Pippa Broadhurst and Jim and Rosemary Kindler. They won four out of five matches and came within 1/4 point of winning the fourth event.

Ardsley 2 - Vic Huebner, Gail LaBrosse, Ray LaBrosse and Merle Huebner. Results

unknown.

St. Andrew's 1 - **Gerry Scherocman, Elaine Scherocman**, with Marc LeMay and Mariette Beaulac (friends from Canada). Results unknown.

St. Andrew's 2 - **Ralph and Alison Bankes** with **Ed and Pam Siebert**. Results unknown.

NY Cal. 1 - **Trevor Davey, Alice Yeh, Scott Silverman and Kitty Davey**. Results unknown.

Nutmeg 1 - **Dean Ford, Trish Ryan, Peter DeJong and Ann Gauruder**. Results unknown.

Nutmeg 2 - **Norm Halford, Barbara Manicattede, Micky Manicattede and Krista Kostenko**. Results unknown.

I guess it's safe to assume that if any of the above won an event, they will let me know so that it can be included in next month's Duck Soup. Failing to hear from anybody, we will just assume they had a great time.

MEN'S SUMMERSPIEL, CAPE COD C.C. JULY 15TH TO 18TH.

Walter Baggett, Paul Mort, playing skip and three, with **Brian O'Neill** at lead and a local substitute playing two, entered the Men's bonspiel and, according to **Paul**, had a great time. **Walter and Brian** got into the finals of the "closest to the button contest".

GREENWOOD, NOVA SCOTIA. **Steve Smith and Walter Baggett**, with two friends from the Mayflower C.C. in Halifax, N.S., played in the Greenwood C.C. closing bonspiel. They won their first three games, lost one game, and then won the next three to win the first consolation event.

VIRY CUP INTERNATIONAL BONSPIEL, VIRY-CHATILLON, FRANCE.

Walter and Lillie Baggett curled with Stephen Hinds and Peter Welch, two English curlers and fellow members of the Margarita Curling Club. Last year the same four won the second event, the Coupe d'Ville d'Viry, but this year, unfortunately, did not do as well.

Steve Smith and Jennifer Laurie, joined by two curlers from Solothurn, Switzerland, played in the same bonspiel and got to the finals of the second event.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

In August **Jerry McCarty and Steve Smith**, with two friends from Moncton N.B., played in the Summer Spud's Bonspiel.

Walter and Lillie Baggett, together with two Canadian friends, played in the same bonspiel and won a consolation event.

WINDMILL BONSPIEL.

Steve Smith, Lillie Baggett, Johhan Boelee (a former Ardsley curler) and a fourth from France played in this bonspiel at a new ice rink in Tilburg, the Netherlands. They came in 7th out of 46 teams.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OF DUCK SOUP IS

DECEMBER 1st, 1998. It would be greatly appreciated if all committee chairpersons would send their copy to me by that date. It can be mailed to: Robert D. Hill, 9 Elizabeth Court, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510 or phoned in (914-944-7009). News from all members is welcome, in fact it is desperately needed!

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Issue #2

December 7, 1998

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

THE TURKEY HAS TROTTED and Adam Chebetar's team managed to carve itself a win in the first event after playing in the finals of the second place match. This unique situation developed because the scoring was done on a point basis instead of a win/loss basis. The Chebetar team, playing against Jeff Paul's team in the "second place match", scored so many points that it had a higher total than either George Austin's team or Kay Sugahara's team who played to a draw in the first place match. Adam's team, otherwise known as the Fathers & Sons team, consisted of Ray LaBrosse, Richard Roue, Paul Roue, Robert Chebetar, Scott LaBrosse and Gail LaBrosse, only four of whom were permitted to curl at any one time. Laureen Paul, Jeff Lesuk and Robin Gestrom curled on Jeff Paul's team which finished in second place. George Austin and Kay Sugahara tied for third place. The Austin team members were Jean Glus, Laurie Frees and Carl Phares. Sally MacKenzie, Chris Banino and Ann Fagan curled on the Sugahara rink.

A total of 12 teams entered the Turkey Trot bonspiel. Every team played four games beginning at 6:00 PM Friday evening, Nov. 27th, and ending with the finals at 1:00 PM Sunday Nov. 29th. Luncheon and a buffet dinner were served to the curlers on Saturday and brunch on Sunday.

Kathy and Kal Sundaram provided the main course for Saturday's dinner, Patti Burns and Laurie Frees ran the opening reception on Friday evening, Laureen and Jeff Paul put on Sunday's brunch and Lillie Baggett organized Saturday's lunch. New member Bob Moye provided a sixty tape collection of music and a kilted Walter Baggett led the finalists onto the ice to the sound of bagpipes.

WELCOME TO TWO NEW MEMBERS.

Ann Fagan, P.O. Box 600, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510 (914-762-9100)

Jane Santoro, 349 East 50th St., NYC, NY 10022 (212-758-8536)

COMING ATTRACTIONS:

ST. ANDREW'S CHRISTMAS PARTY. Sunday, December 13th at St. Andrew's Golf Club. Cocktails at 6:00 PM, dinner at 7:00 PM. Notices have been mailed to all members.

NEW YEAR'S EVE. The sign up sheet has just been hung with all the details. The cost will be \$30.00 per person including dinner and champagne at midnight. The party will start at 8:00 PM. Two-end matches will be scheduled throughout the evening. Any questions? Call Walter or Lillie Baggett at 914-591-6864.

THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN BONSPIEL January 15 - 17, 1999

THE DOUGLAS INTERNATIONAL BONSPIEL February 25th - 28th, 1999

THE GOLDEN HANDLE MIXED BONSPIEL March 18th - 21st, 1999

PULL THE PLUG Saturday, April 3, 1999.

CURLING COURTESY. Curling is a team sport and, as such, every member of the team has an obligation to appear at the club, ready to curl, on the date and at the time specified on the schedule. Failure, of even one member of the team to appear, creates a hardship for the other members of the team. Failure of more than one member of a team to appear can lead to cancellation of the game, forfeiture of the match, and of course the disappointment of the other teammates and the opponents who have made the effort to appear and then been denied the opportunity to curl.

Every curler has the obligation to appear when scheduled. If, for some reason, it is impossible for a member to curl when scheduled, then that member has the obligation to notify his or her skip, well in advance, and perhaps to even arrange for a substitute after consulting with the skip.

THE BONSPIEL TRAIL. There is not much to report this early in the season. However, two teams from Ardsley have recently returned from Canada and here is a report on their activities as described by **Jerry McCarty**.

THE 1998 MONCTONIAN BONSPIEL was held in Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada from November 11th to 15th, 1998.

The Jerry McCarty Team consisted of **Steve Smith, Jim Gutekunst, Chris Banino** and **Don Garside** (from Toronto)." On the Air Canada flight up our connection was delayed in Toronto as the Captain described it 'Ladies and Gentlemen, we will be delayed because the truck that attaches to the plane put too much pressure in and caused an overflow condition in the lavatories. Once we get this mopped up, we will be on our way.' A concerned ground crew member proceeded down the aisle. Within seconds he hastily retreated with a sour look on his face. In about five minutes, another ground crew member proceeded to the back of the plane with a mop. Before long we were off. Although the cabin was full and the flight lasted about an hour, no one was observed using the lavatories."

"Once in Moncton, we were advised that our first and second goals had been achieved: a noon draw the next day and no 8:00 AM starts. We played two games on Thursday, two on Friday and three on Saturday and achieved our last goal: winning an event with a record of 4-3. This was a comfortable pace and allowed each member a game off. Of the 87 team competition, we won the 7th event (10 offered)".

On the return trip to LaGuardia, via Montreal, Air Canada managed to loose their broom bags but they were finally delivered to Steve Smith several days later.

THE PAUL MORT TEAM consisted of **Walter Baggett, Ed Godbold and Bob Hayes**, a former active member of the Ardsley Curling Club now residing in Charleston, S.C. Not a word has been heard from any of the team but **Jerry McCarty** advises that they did not have any transportation problems either way and that their record was 0-5. **Paul Mort** has recently left his old friends at Ardsley by moving to East Falmouth, MA where he has joined the Cape Cod Curling Club. He and **Isabelle** have now become Associate Members of the Ardsley Curling Club.

THE 1998 ROSS TARLTON BONSPIEL, played between 16 teams of the Grand National Curling Club and a like number of teams from the Ottawa Curling Association, was held at the Utica C.C. November 12th to 15th. This was the 32nd time the two organizations have met to play for the Ross Tarlton Shield with matches alternating between the U.S.A. and Ottawa Province. **Bunky Harmon and Geoff Broadhurst** played on the GNCC executive officer's team with **Sam Williams and Tom Garber**. Nutmeg C.C. was represented by **Bob Will, Karl Koss, Dick Montgomery and Rene Menzel**. Although we don't know the final cumulative score, we do know that the OCA did have more points than the GNCC and retained possession of the Ross Tarlton Shield.

One of the highlights of the Ross Tarlton bonspiel each year is the presentation of the **Collie Campbell Memorial Award** to a curler "in recognition of his sportsmanship, leadership, and devotion to the best tradition of the fine game of curling from his brother curlers in the Grand National Competition for the Ross Tarlton Shield". This year the award was presented to **Bunky Harmon. Congratulations!!!**

THE CALDER TROPHY was played at the Norfolk C.C. December 3rd to 6th. Ardsley was represented by **Walter Baggett, Ed Godbold, Paul Mort and Kal Sundaram** who were runners up in the second event. The N.Y. Caledonians were represented by **George Austin, Steve Smith, Ryan Davis(Nutmeg) and Bill Peskoff** from Plainfield. They won the third event.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTIVE MEMBERS as of December 1st is now 179, broken down by clubs as follows: Ardsley - 88; Nutmeg - 48; N.Y. Caledonians - 27; St. Andrew's - 16. This does not include Associate Members or Junior curlers.

JANUARY OPEN HOUSE. Although the date has not been set, **Jim Kindler** has advised that there will be another Open House in January. If you have any friends or acquaintances who might be interested in curling and who were not able to attend the first Open House in October, please call **Jim**. A notice will be posted in the warm room as soon as the date is set.

If all the world is a stage, where is the audience sitting?

THE FIRST APPEARANCE OF THE "DUCK SOUP" LOGO was 55 years ago this month. The December 27, 1943 issue of Duck Soup read as follows. "This letter will introduce Donald, the Ardsley duck ... I hope that the Christmas mails have subsided so that everyone receives this letter on Tuesday as per schedule. Every club officer has his own particular cross to bear. Mine -- and I share it with most secretaries of recent years -- is that the old members get a faraway look in their eyes when they think of the days when Stu Peabody was secretary of the Ardsley Curling Club, and the weekly letter was read with the avidity of Winchell's column. Anyhow, Stu was so fond of referring to his friend, the Ardsley duck, that we thought you'd like to have a look at him. Here he is -- feeling very proud for having won the Utica trophy."

The above article was written by **Cuyler Stevens**, Secretary of the Ardsley Curling Club. For those of you who noticed that Duck Soup was published weekly in 1943 you should be aware that it was only one page in length, was written by the Secretary, (**Harry take note**) and didn't cost \$.32 to mail.

ALBERT C. (BRUD) BICKFORD died at his home in Ardsley Park last month at the age of 96. Brud joined the Ardsley Curling Club in 1943 and was an Active member until 1970.

THE GNCC 1998 ICELESS BONSPIEL was held at Hyannis, MA, September 18 - 19. In addition to the various committee meetings, those attending also competed in golf, lawn bowling and quoits. Ardsley Curling Club did quite well in the first two events with **Bunky Harmon** and **Chris Banino** winning the Ardsley Bowl for club team play. **Bunky** also was low net. **Paul** and **Isabelle Mort** won the Childs Trophy in the lawn bowling competition which they also won the previous year at the 1997 Iceless Bonspiel.

ARDSLEY COUNTRY CLUB DRESS CODE. In the November issue of Duck Soup we stated that jackets and ties were always required in the main dining room, the Rallye room, the private dining room and the Chapel. A recent notice from the Country Club modifies those requirements. Jacket and tie are only required on Saturday. On Friday and Sunday jackets with a collared shirt or turtleneck are permitted.

Casual and sports attire are permitted at all times in the Grill Room except on special occasions and holidays. **Blue jeans** are not permitted at any time in the main club house.

"NOICE" ALARM (no operation in compressor electric) was recently installed and is currently being tested. This device detects a loss of any or all of the three phases of 440 volts, gradually shuts down the system to avoid motor damage, and notifies via phone and recorded message selected members of the ice committee of the outage condition. These members must then take the required action to manually restart the system. The system was designed and installed by **Jerry McCarty**. The cost of materials was \$2,505.00 and the ongoing annual telephone charge will be \$300.00. Once fully operational, it will provide considerable protection against our common enemy - loss of ice.

It should be noted that this system only operates when there is a power loss. A mechanical breakdown, not associated with loss of power, will not activate the system.

Age is a very high price to pay for maturity

CLUB COMPETITIONS

THE THORNDIKE (through 11/30)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
T1	V. Huebner	4	0	T7	Silverman	2	2
T2	S. Smith	2	2	T8	Messing	4	0
T3	P. Murphy	0	4	T9	Baggett	1	3
T4	Scherocman	1	3	T10	R. Smith	3	1
T5	Purkey	2	2	T11	Austin	4	0
T6	D. Muldowney	0	4	T12	J. Gutekunst	1	3

THE BLANTON (through 11/25)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
B1	I. Barghout	2	2	B6	T. Davey	3	1
B2	G. Scherocman	3	2	B7	B. Welch	0	4
B3	W. Baggett	2	2	B8	C. Banino	1	2
B4	A. Chebetar	1	2	B9	B. Kenny	1	1
B5	G. Broadhurst	3	0				

THE WELLS (through 11/21)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
W1	Austin	3	0	W3	Harmon	1	2
W2	Broadhurst	1	2	W4	Barghout	1	2

Women like silent men, they think they're listening.

MIXED CURLING

FRIDAY EVENING (through 12/4)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
F1	McGinnis	1	2	F4	J. Kindker	2	1
F2	Yeh	3	0	F5	MacIntosh	0	3
F3	Silverman	2	1	F6	I. Barghout	1	2

SATURDAY AFTERNOON (through 12/5)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
SA1	?	2	3	SA6	M. Murphy	3	1
SA2	B. Kenny	1	3	SA7	G. Poole	0	2
SA3	R. LaBrosse	2	3	SA8	Sugahara	2	1
SA4	Laurie	3	2	SA9	MJ. Keenan	3	0
SA5	K. Lockhart	1	3	SA10	T. Clough	2	0

Editor's note - I know that the number of wins, losses and games played do not balance out. That is because the skips are not seeing that scores are properly entered in the score book after each game. Please enter the date, the league, the team # and the final score for each game!

SATURDAY EVENING LEAGUE (through 12/5)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
SE1	R. Banks	3	1	SE4	J. Paul	3	1
SE2	G. Broadhurst	2	2	SE5	G. Scherocman	1	3
SE3	V. Huebner	1	3	SE6	E. Siebert	2	2

LADIES CURLING

The scores were not available for publication at this time. Skips or substitute skips, please make certain that the date, the league, the team # and the final score are entered for each game.

JUNIOR CURLING

A girls team from Ardsley entered the GNCC Jr. Championships at the Schenectady C.C the weekend of November 27-29. Three teams were entered, one from Broomstones, one from Ardsley and one from Philadelphia. The Ardsley team, skipped by Leslie Reiter (Nutmeg) with **Liz Chebetar** at third, **Kendra LaBrosse** at third, and **Catherine Chebetar** at lead, won their first game against Philadelphia, and then lost the next two against Broomstones.

THE NEXT ISSUE OF DUCK SOUP WILL BE PUBLISHED ON JANUARY 5, 1999. Please send copy in by that date.

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Issue #3

January 8, 1999

ICE HOUSE GANG THAWED BY THE GOOD OLD BOYS

In the first meeting of what used to be a "home and home" competition but which is now referred to as the "here and here" competition, for obvious reasons, THE GOOD OLD BOYS of Nutmeg edged out the Ardsley Ice House Gang by 4 points - the final score being 22-18. Each club sent three rinks into the fray as follows: **Geoff Broadhurst's** team of, **Isa Barghout, Norm Laird, Bill Havens** and **Bob Hill** lost to **Charlie Mack's** rink of **Vance Ward, Carleton Cleveland** and **Will Stewart** (8-12). **George Austin's** rink of **Tony Ficalora, Lee Heffner, Carl Phares** and **John Keenan** defeated **Bob Will's** team of **Chuck Owens, Bruce Huffine** and **Bill Borowitz** (an Ardsley substitute) (5-4). **Ed Godbold's** team of **Bunky Harmon, Don Torey, Carl Honzak** and **George Cowles** lost to **Dave Noble's** rink of **Dick Montgomery, Dale Strand** and **Pete McCuen** (another Ardsley substitute) (5-6).

The date of the return engagement was originally set for a Friday in February but now will probably be postponed until March.

DATE OF JANUARY OPEN HOUSE HAS BEEN CHANGED

from January 17th to Sunday, January 24th from 4:00PM to 6:00PM. We encourage members to come and bring new prospects if possible. There will be a brief presentation on curling, some time on the ice for new prospects and hors d'oeuvres. Please call **Jim** or **Rosemary Kindler** (914-693-9017) with the names of any invitees to whom you would like invitations sent.

THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN BONSPIEL

The club's mixed in-house winter bonspiel will be held the weekend of February 12-14. The schedule will include curling Friday through Sunday, lunch and dinner on Saturday and brunch at the Kenny's Sunday before the finals. We expect to provide entertainment on Saturday night and will conduct a silent auction.

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This event is played as a regular three-event bonspiel with medals to the winners and runners-up of the 1st and 2nd event. Members of all four clubs (Ardsley, N.Y. Caledonians, Nutmeg & St. Andrew's) are invited to participate. In past years we have had as many as 16 rinks entered and hopefully we can do the same this year. Associate members are welcome to participate if the Active members do not fill all the openings.

We ask members to keep the dates open, be sure to sign up when the notice is posted in the warm room and start thinking of items to donate to the silent auction.

Any questions, call **Jim** or **Rosemary Kindler** at 914- 693-9017. Further information will be posted in the warm room in due course -- stay tuned.

DOUGLAS INTERNATIONAL BONSPIEL ***FEBRUARY 25TH - 28TH***

Vic Huebner, the bonspiel chairman, reported this week that things are proceeding smoothly for this annual men's bonspiel. As of the 5th of January 8 teams have entered, one from as far away as Switzerland. Curling is scheduled to begin on Thursday evening, February 25th and will conclude on Sunday afternoon, February 28th. Dinner will be served in the warm room on Friday and Saturday evenings. Members are invited to attend the dinner Saturday evening. A sign-up sheet will be placed in the warm room for those interested in attending.

Rosemary and **Jim Kindler** are in charge of the Friday dinner, while **Mitzie** and **Jessie Wang** will run the Saturday dinner.

Vic hopes to have 24 teams entered in the bonspiel, duplicating last years turn out.

He said that there is plenty of room for more helpers and he would appreciate it if volunteers would call him or Merle at 914-693-4741.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AT ARDSLEY

A small but enthusiastic crowd spent New Year's Eve at the curling club. The festivities started at 8:00 PM when six teams took to the ice for the first of three two-end draws. Following that everyone settled down to dinner and then returned for the next round of curling. To keep things interesting the positions on each team were rotated throughout the evening. After the second draw everyone retired to the warm room for dessert and coffee. The third and final draw finished in time for everyone to welcome in the New Year.

Lillie and **Walter Baggett** with **Lorett** and **Kent Patterson**, two guests of the LaBrosses, finished in first place while **Ed Godbold** with **George** and **Marion Cowles** finished in second place.

Special thanks to **Suad** and **Isa Barghout** who helped the **Baggetts** run the event.

COUNTRY CLUB DINING ROOM

The dining hours at the Ardsley Country Club for the month of January are:

Lunch on Friday, Saturday & Sunday - 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Dinner:

Friday - 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (Jacket but not tie required in dining room)

Saturday - 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. (Jacket & tie required in dining room)

Sunday - 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. (Jacket but not tie required in dining room)

The country club will close after the Super Bowl Party on Saturday, January 31st and will be closed for the month of February. The club will re-open for lunch on Friday, March 5th.

CLUB COMPETITIONS

THE THORNDIKE (through 1/4/99)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
T8	G. Messing	8	1	T5	H. Purkey	4	5
T11	G. Austin	8	1	T7	S. Silverman	4	5
T10	R. Smith	6	3	T12	J. Gutekunst	4	5
T1	V. Huebner	5	4	T3	P. Murphy	3	6
T9	W. Baggett	5	4	T4	G. Scherocman	2	7
T2	S. Smith	4	5	T12	D. Muldowney	1	8

THE BLANTON (through 12/30/98)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
B5	G. Broadhurst	6	1	B4	A. Chebetar	3	4
B6	T. Davey	6	2	B1	I. Barghout	2	5
B2	G. Scherocman	4	3	B8	C. Banino	2	5
B3	W. Baggett	4	3	B7	B. Welch	1	6
B9	B. Kenny	4	3				

THE WILDS (through 1/2/99)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
W1	G. Austin	5	1	W2	G. Broadhurst	2	4
W3	B. Harmon	3	3	W4	I Barghout	2	4

MIXED CURLING

In the fall session there were 22 teams competing in the Friday and Saturday draws. The competition was keen in all three draws and the Saturday curlers were treated to delicious dinners

prepared by members of the club. In first place with 5 wins was the team skipped by **Ralph Bankes** which also included **Alison Bankes**, **Ann MacMillan** and **Hiroshi Iwamoto**. There were four other teams that each recorded three wins. The team composed of **Jim Kindler**, **Anne Gauruder**, **Mary Anne Moore** and **Guy Raymond** were awarded 2nd place based upon the fact that they had the highest average score over the five-week schedule.

BOXING DAY MINI-SPIEL. For the first time in recent history, the kids ruled the Ardsley Curling Club. With parents playing lead, second and/or coaching, two full sheets of curlers saw the youngsters take over skip and third positions. The event also had an international flavor as it attracted curlers from as far away as Toronto and Wisconsin, not to mention some new curlers and potential club members who fought the traffic in from Long Island.

The enthusiasm of the participants was evident in the vast quantities of juice, chips and Christmas cookies that were consumed after the skilled competition. Prizes were awarded to the youngest curler (a 4 year old from Long Island) and to the most enthusiastic curler (**Lisa Shakotko**). The closest draw to the button was recorded by **Heather Kenny** and a prize was given to the individual who traveled the greatest distance to get to the event (Alex from Wisconsin).

The term "Boxing Day" applies to December 26th in England, Wales, parts of Canada and in some other countries of the Commonwealth of Nations. Traditionally, on that day, the gentry would give presents, generally money, to servants, tradespeople and others of humble life. These presents came to be known as Christmas boxes. Boxing Day is a legal bank holiday.

LADIES CURLING

No news on the ladies front this month except that they are now playing their Wells-Wicks competition. Duck Soup does not like to intrude into the Ardwick's domain, and the Editor is definitely not a male chauvinist, but if the ladies would follow the example of the men and post their wins and losses in the same box form as the men it would be a lot easier to publish their results. It is the responsibility of the skips to make certain that the results are entered into whatever form of record they decide to keep.

JUNIOR CURLING

The December 7th issue of Duck Soup contained an article about Junior Curling on the last page (page 6). Unfortunately, page 6 was not included in the mailing to some members. The article is reprinted here in an edited version copied from "The Icebreaker", the Nutmeg C.C. news letter of which **Trish Ryan** is the editor.

"Junior playdowns (GNCC Jr. Championships) were held Thanksgiving weekend in Schenectady, N.Y. **Leslie Reiter** skipped a rookie team that created a great deal of excitement by

almost upsetting last year's winners. The team consisted of **Liz Chebetar** as vice, **Kendra LaBrosse** as second, and **Catherine Chebetar** sidelined with an ankle injury. Curling three, they won their first 10-end game against Philadelphia. They then lost the next two games against Broomstones during some very exciting and tense competition (at the 5th end break of both games they were tied 5-5, and then lost by a narrow margin).

Congratulations to the girls and to coach **Jennifer Laurie** for a very impressive effort, considering the team was just assembled at the end of October.

SANTA DIDN'T MAKE IT THIS YEAR

Unfortunately, not enough curlers signed up for the Saint Andrew's Christmas party this year and the St. Andrew's Golf Club decided that they would have to increase the cost per dinner in order to make it economically feasible to feed the reduced number of people. That was a shame, because the annual party has always been a favorite way to celebrate the Christmas Season for many of us. Let us hope that the Scherocmans and Helen Kaiser will try again next year.

"MURPHY'S LAW STRIKES AGAIN"

or

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ROSTER

Certainly everyone has heard of "Murphy's Law". (If something bad can happen, it will!) Well it did, and to a Murphy no less. **Jean and Pete Murphy** had struggled to prepare a roster of members and were in the process of editing the final proof when IT HAPPENED. Their computer crashed and all the input was lost. Not to be deterred, **Pete** asked **Bob Hill** to run off a list of curlers using the club's accounting system. The list has been prepared and duplicated and is now on the shelf in the warm room waiting for you to pick up your copy. Unfortunately, the accounting system doesn't recognize the term "members" so you are all identified as "customers" and your home address is identified as the "bill to" address. There is one copy for each member or family so please don't take more than one.

REMINDERS

All dues are payable by January 15, 1999

THE NEXT ISSUE OF DUCK SOUP WILL BE PUBLISHED ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH. PLEASE FAX, MAIL OR CALL YOUR COPY TO BOB HILL BY FEBRUARY 3rd.

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Jim Kindler has informed us that the Open House on January 24th resulted in at least eight new members joining the Ardsley Curling Club. They are as follows:

Sylvana Firrincieli, 16 Bramble Brook Road, Ardsley, NY 10502, 914-674-9427

Reg and Elizabeth Laite, 111 Farrington Ave., Sleepy Hollow, NY 10591, 914-366-4211

Pat Martin-Fottrell, 50 James Street, N. White Plains, NY 10604, 914-289-1675

Per and Viveca Paulsson, 732 Terrace Heights, Wyckoff, NJ 07461, 201-848-0846

James Stabile, 3 Judson Avenue, Ardsley, NY 10502, 914-693-3972

Mary Tarricone, 15 Half Moon Lane, Irvington, NY 10533, 914-591-6899

Several additional people have indicated that they might join after some further instruction on the ice.

THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN



He's back and rarin' to go. For those of you who have never heard of The Headless Horseman, it is a three - sometimes four - event intraclub bonspiel. It's played the same as any other bonspiel around the GNCC. Each team is guaranteed at least three games during the course of the weekend. The first draw will be Friday evening, with subsequent draws on Saturday, and the finals on Sunday. Not every team will curl Friday - some will start Saturday morning.

You don't need an invitation! Just sign up either on the sign-up sheets in the warm room or call **Jim and Rosemary Kindler** at 914-693-9017 if the sheets are already down. **Don't be bashful** - this bonspiel is open to everyone. It doesn't matter if you are old or young, a good curler, poor curler or brand new curler! Associate Members are welcome. We want you! It goes without saying that our friends from Nutmeg are most welcome.

The Kindlers and the committee will assign curlers to teams and let everyone know which team they are on. The cost to enter is \$30.00 per person which includes the dinner on Saturday

evening. Non-curling members are invited to the dinner and to watch the curling during or after dinner. The dinner cost for non-curlers is \$15.00.

Geoff and Pippa Broadhurst are arranging for a silent auction on Saturday evening. They urge all members to bring new and used treasures, with a minimum value of \$15.00, to the club by Wednesday. Please call the Broadhursts for further details at 914-591-7356.

THE 64TH DOUGLAS INTERNATIONAL BONSPIEL

The bonspiel starts on Thursday evening, February 25th, and ends with the finals on Sunday afternoon February 28th. This is a six-event 'spiel and hopefully we will have 24 teams entered. Right now we have 19. If any of you readers know of a club interested in entering a team, please call **Vic Huebner**, this year's chairman.

At this time we have teams from Halifax, Nova Scotia, Hamilton, Ontario and a team skipped by a curler from Wintherthur, Switzerland and staffed by curlers from Nutmeg. Also the Margarita team will be back again.

Lunch and dinner will be served at the club on Friday and Saturday. The cost to non-curlers will be \$5.00 for lunch and \$15.00 for dinner. A sign-up sheet will be posted and the committee asks that, if you intend to dine at the club, you put your John Hancock on the sheet. There will be curling both Friday and Saturday evenings.

George Austin is leading the Journal effort and this looks like another success for the club. **Mitzi Wang** has generously consented to organize the Saturday dinner.

Volunteers to help with the various jobs are welcome. There is another sign-up sheet in the warm room. All the help they can get will be appreciated. Call **Vic** or **Merle Huebner** to offer your services at 914-693-4741.

CURLING ON THE INTERNET

The GNCC can be reached at www.gncc.org. The USCA can be found at www.usacurl.org. The World Curling Federation can be reached at www.curling.org.

ARDSLEY TO HOST THE 1999 ICELESS

The annual meeting of the Grand National Curling Club will be held here on September 24th and 25th 1999. The meetings, the banquet and the golf tournament will be held at the Ardsley Country Club. The Lawn Bowling and the Bell Quoit competitions will be held in the side yard of **Brian and Heather Kenny**. **Bunky Harmon** is chairing the event.

CURLING CLUB BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ardsley Curling Club will be held in the warm room on Thursday, February 18th at 7:30 PM. One of the topics on the agenda will be

Ardsley's application for a 501 C3 (3) status from the I.R.S. which will give the club a status as a Charitable Organization. A number of other clubs in the GNCC - Nutmeg, Cape Cod and Potomac- have already obtained this status and Norfolk is in the process of applying. Before the application can be filed, the club By-laws must be changed. This requires the approval of the club membership and the matter will be put to a vote at the annual meeting in March. All members will receive more information on this subject before that meeting.

GOLDEN HANDLE UPDATE

by Trish Ryan

Again a big thanks to all of you at Ardsley for allowing us to use your ice to hold our Golden Handle Mixed Bonspiel on March 18-21. We also need to ask for volunteers to help with all the work. We need volunteers for the show on Saturday night (talent is probably a plus but definitely not a necessity) and to help with hosting in the warm room at all times, from Thursday night through the finals on Sunday. In addition, some of the teams are finding the area a little bit pricey. Does anyone have housing available for an out-of-town team?

It goes without saying, we'd like all of you to come cheer on the curlers and attend Saturday night's (March 20) dinner. Details will be published on the where and when of the dinner as they become fixed. We've had the band before - they're great. If you can volunteer, please call Jennifer Stannard at 914-765-4317 or e-mail Trish at TPRISH07@aol.com.

THE BONSPIEL TRAIL

Quite a few teams have been on the trail since the beginning of the season. Unfortunately news of their successes and/or failures do not always reach Duck Soup. However, some clubs now publish the names of the winning teams on the GNCC website and we can obtain the statistical information more easily. Here are a few we just discovered.

The Achilles Bonspiel, held in Schnectady, November 18-22. The fourth event, "The Stockade" was won by St. Andrew's skipped by **Gert Messing** with **Greg Poole** at vice, **Mike Murphy** at 2nd and **Bob Welch** at lead

The Harvest Mixed Bonspiel, held at the Philadelphia C.C., November 19-22. The second event, "The Valley Forge" was won by the Manhattan Curling Club skipped by **Kay Sugahara** with **Nancy Clancy** at vice, **Jim Gutekunst** at 2nd and **Carol Gutekunst** at lead.

The Calder Trophy, held at Norfolk C.C., December 3-6. The third event, "The Iceman's Trophy" was won by a New York Caledonian team skipped by **George Austin** with **Ryan Davis** at vice, **Steve Smith** at 2nd and **Bill Peskoff** at lead.

The information on the following bonspiels came direct from the participant's mouth and consequently has a little more "color" to it.

The Mitchell Bonspiel, held at the Utica C.C. January 7-10, was won by St. Andrew's skipped by **Gert Messing** with **Greg Poole, Mike Murphy and Bob Welch**. According to **Gert**, there were 48 teams entered in the bonspiel with more than 50% from Canada. The team won 6 games to win the Mitchell Medal.

45th Empire State Bonspiel was held at the Schnectady C.C. the weekend of January 7-10. Two Ardsley teams and one Nutmeg team were entered. Ardsley #1 was skipped by **Alice Yeh** with **Jean MacIntosh** playing three, **Molly Babcock** at 2nd and **Marie Pletenik (Albany)** at lead. Ardsley #2 was skipped by **Nancy Clancy** with **Ann MacMillan** at three, **Patti Burns** at two and **Laurie Frees** playing lead. They were in contention with two wins and two losses (one in an extra end). They lost the consolation event, which was decided on points, by .5 of a point. **Nancy** says they definitely won the party after an impromptu meeting in the Holiday Inn lounge with a traveling tattoo convention. Many bonspielers joined in the fun, including the Ardsley #1 skip and one hardy Nutmegger, **Trish Ryan**.

Nutmeg was skipped by **Diane Muldowney** with **Trish Ryan, Jennifer Stannard** and **Ann Gauruder**. They lost a close game on the last rock in the finals of the third event to a team from Broomstones.

The Chesapeake Mixed Bonspiel was held at Easton, MD on the weekend of January 14-17. A Nutmeg team skipped by **Charlie Mack** with **Trish Ryan** at 3rd, **Peter DeJong** at 2nd and **Jennifer Stannard** at lead won the second event. **Sally Mackenzie** and **Jim O'Boyle** played on a Chestnutfield team that made it to the finals of the Third Event. According to **Trish Ryan**, "A good time was had by all. No tattoos were earned and we regret to report that, although the oysters and shrimp still flowed over the hors d'oeuvres table, the crabcakes were missing in action".

District 1 (New York State) United States Curling Association Playdowns were held at the Utica C.C. on the weekend of January 21-24. **Gert Messing, Greg Poole, Mike Murphy** and **Bob Welch** returned to Utica to compete for the right to represent New York State in the USCA Men's National Championships to be held in Duluth, MN from February 26th to March 1st. **Gert** said, and I quote, "we did not play as well in the playdowns (as we had at the Mitchell) but compiled a record of 5-2 in an 8 team round robin which was good enough to be tied for first place. We then had a playoff against a Utica team. I am happy to report we came out victorious and will be representing the Ardsley C.C. as the New York entry in the Nationals".

The Governor's Bowl. The 33rd Governor's Bowl bonspiel was held at the Albany C.C. the weekend of January 28-31. Two teams from Ardsley participated. **Walter Baggett** skipped a rink consisting of **Bunky Harmon**, **Isa Barghout** and **Kal Sundaram**. They beat a team from Granite C.C of N.H., and another from Riverfield C.C. out of Canada. Their third match was against our own N.Y. Caledonian C.C. skipped by **George Austin** in the semi-finals of the first event. **Walter Baggett's** team won this match going on to the 1st event finals where they lost to a Schnectady team skipped by Charlie McCulloch.

George Austin's team of **Ryan Davis**, **Jeff Paul** and **Jim McGinnis**, before their loss to **Walter Baggett's** team, won a match against a Schnectady rink skipped by Bob Travis, and a Norfolk C.C. rink. After their loss to Ardsley, they entered the fourth event finals which they won by defeating a Plainfield C.C. rink skipped by Don Baird.

TCC Mixed Bonspiel, held at The Country Club in Brookline, MA the weekend of January 28-31, was entered by a rink consisting of **Geoff Broadhurst**, skip, **Pippa Broadhurst**, vice, **Jim Kindler**, 2nd, and **Rosemary Kindler** at lead. They won their first game, lost their second game, and won their third which put them in the finals of the 2nd event. They were "two stones away from glory", as **Jim Kindler** put it, when they lost the game in the last end ending up as the runners-up.

WATCH FOR THE SUNDAY EDITION OF THE NEW YORK TIMES

Late Saturday afternoon, January 30th, a reporter and photographer from the N.Y. Times were at the curling club interviewing president **Pete Murphy** and others about our club and curling in general. We understand that the reporter was drawn to the club through our advertisements about curling in the Hastings Enterprise and the notices posted throughout the tri-village area. The idea for the story has already been approved by the editorial staff of the Times and the article could appear as early as this Sunday, February 7th in the WESTCHESTER section of the paper. Hopefully you will have received Duck Soup before then.

CLUB COMPETITIONS

THE THORNDIKE (Final first half standings as of 1/15/99)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
T11	Austin, G.	9	1	T12	Gutekunst, J.	5	5
T8	Messing, G.	9	1	T2	Smith, S.	4	6
T10	Smith, R.	6	4	T5	Purkey, H.	4	6
T1	Huebner, V.	5	5	T3	Murphy, P.	4	6
T9	Baggett, W.	5	5	T4	Scherocman, G.	3	7
T7	Silverman, S.	5	5	T6	Muldowney, D.	1	9

THE BLANTON (Final standings as of 1/5/99)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
B5	Broadhurst, G.	6	2 *	B1	Barghout, I.	3	5
B6	Davey, T.	6	2 *	B4	Chebatar, A.	3	5
B9	Kenny, B.	5	3	B8	Banino, C.	3	5
B3	Baggett, W.	4	4	B7	Welch, B.	2	6
B2	Scherocman, G.	4	4				

* Playoff required to determine 1st place.

THE WILDS (Final standings as of 1/9/99)

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
W1	Austin, G.	6	1	W2	Broadhurst, G.	2	5
W3	Harmon, B.	3	4	W4	Barghout, I.	3	4

George Austin's winning team consisted of **Jerry McCarty, Tony Ficalora, and Bruce Huffine.**

WELLS

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
W1	Gutekunst, J.	1	2	W5	Davey, T.	2	1
W2	Murphy, M.	1	2	W6	Broadhurst, G.	2	1
W3	Huebner, V.	2	1	W7	Kenny, B.	2	1
W4	Smith, S.	2	1	W8	Baggett, W.	0	3

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<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
LS1	Smith, S.	0	2	LS3	Harmon, B.	1	1
LS2	Broadhurst, G.	2	0	LS4	Barghout, I	1	1

WELLS-WICK COMPETITION (Ardwicks Thursday morning curlers. Final standings as of 1/14/99)

Winning Rink:

Skip - Noriko Whyte

Vice - Lillie Baggett

2nd - Merle Huebner

Lead- Sue Roue

Runner-up

Skip - M.J. Keenan

Vice - Jan Connor

2nd - Reiko Iwamoto

Lead- Suad Barghout

The All-American competition started on January 28th

Geoff Broadhurst has been appointed as one of three GNCC representatives to the United States Curling Association for a term to expire in the year 2000. **Geoff** was selected to replace Tom Brooke who resigned last year.

DUES REMINDER

There are still a few curlers who have not yet paid their dues. All dues were due by January 15, 1999 and we would appreciate it if those very few of you who have not sent in your 2nd half dues would do so now!!

SCOTSFEST'99

They were here again! Bright and early -well maybe not so bright at 5:00 A.M - on Monday, January 25th, a group of hardy curlers led by **Bill Borowitz** and **Gene Flook** greeted a team from ABC, hosted by Bill Evans, to begin 3 1/2 hours of on again, off again curling for the viewers of Good Morning America. The event was sponsored by John Walker & Sons, distillers of that well known Scottish beverage, Johnnie Walker Black Label. Other Ardsley curlers participating that morning were **Pete Murphy**, **Brian O'Neil**, **Jean MacIntosh**, and **Carl Phares**. A group of four or five ladies from Nutmeg also participated but, unfortunately, our correspondent did not get their names.



DON'T FORGET "PULL THE PLUG"

Save the date - Saturday, April 3rd, for the closing curling party of the year!!!

CHILDREN AT THE CURLING CLUB

While young children of members and guests are welcome at the curling club, it is the parent's responsibility to see that they do not venture out onto the ice while games are in progress, or at any other time unless they are accompanied by a responsible adult. We certainly don't want to see any of them hurt by slipping on the ice or being hit by a moving stone.

TWO BROOMS

The Two Brooms competition between the Ardwick and Nutmeg was played last night, February 2nd. Three teams from each club participated. **Donna Purkey** defeated **Marion Cowles** 6-3, **Nancy Clancy** defeated **Diane Muldowney** 8-7 and **Anne Wiggins** defeated **Noriko Whyte** 7-5. The final score was Nutmeg 20 Ardwick 16.

NEXT EDITION OF DUCK SOUP

The next edition of Duck Soup will go to press on March 5, 1999. Please mail, phone, fax or e-mail your copy to Bob Hill by March 3rd. The address is: 9 Elizabeth Court, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510. The telephone and fax number is 914-944-7009. The e-mail address is rdh9e@aol.com

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March 5, 1999

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NEW MEMBERS

Nicholas and Inger Foster have joined the Ardsley Curling Club. The information was received too late for inclusion with the other new members in the February issue of Duck Soup, but here is their address and telephone number: 4 North Lane, Katonah, NY 10536 and 914-245-4731.

64TH DOUGLAS INTERNATIONAL BONSPIEL

Twenty-two teams from the United States and Canada, with a few European curlers mixed in, competed at Ardsley from February 25th to the 28th. After the last stone had been delivered and the brooms stacked, the results were as follows: The **Douglas Medal** (1st event) was won by the Philadelphia Curling Club skipped by Tony Steiert with Dan Steiert, his son, Bob Fox and Don Arsenault. The runner-up was the Plainfield Curling Club skipped by Howie Zwiefel, with Don Baird, Bill Peskoff and Brian O'Byrne. The **N Y Caledonian Medal** (2nd event) was won by Winterthur skipped by Andy Flotron with Rob Smith, Jay Miller and Kevin Martin. The runner-up was the Margarita Curling Club skipped by Marcus Fischer with John Hodge, Andy Meyer and Dennis Mellerup. The **Ardsley Medal** (3rd event) was won by the Chicago Curling Club skipped by Bob Sorenson with John Reid, Dave Bemus and Mike Bonnema. The runner-up was the Mayflower Curling Club skipped by Rick Wennnberg with Roy Keefe, Kevin MacDonald and Bernie Keay. The **Williamson Medal** (4th event) was won by **Ardsley 1** skipped by **Geoff Broadhurst** with **Bunkie Harmon, Isa Barghout** and **Peter McCuen**. The runner-up was the Canusa Turtles Curling Club skipped by Stan Shiraisha with **Steve Smith**, Barry Garside and Andy Schmaus. (continued on page # 4)

THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN

(By Jim Kindler)

The dominant spirit that haunts this enchanted region, and seems to be commander in chief of all the powers of the air, is the apparition of a figure on horseback without a head. W. Irving, 1820

The spirit of the Headless Horseman dominated the weekend of February 12 to 14, as fourteen teams took to the ice in the Ardsley Curling Club's annual in house mixed bonspiel. In contrast to the dreams he instilled in the inhabitants of Sleepy Hollow, however, The Horseman brought only a zest for friendly competition and an air of good cheer to the curlers, their guests and spectators as they gathered for this year's event.

*Away they dashed, through thick and thin, stones flying,
and sparks flashing, at every bound.*

The chase for medals and prizes was, like the original horseman's pursuit of Ichabod Crane, an adventure from start to finish. In the end, the team skipped by **Dave Noble** with **Joy Noble**, **Chuck Owens** and **Jan Arenander** won the Washington (1st event). The runner-up was the rink skipped by **Mike Murphy** with **Sarah Murphy**, **Carl Honzak** and **Pat Martin-Fottrell**. To come out on top Dave Noble had to best **Bob Welch** at skip's rocks to break a tie in the second game, and his team had to overcome a four shot deficit in the final game after **Mike Murphy** scored five on a spectacular double take out.

Winners of the second event, The Irving, were **Kay Sugahara**, **Nancy Clancy** and **Bob and Nancy Moye** who defeated the team of **Ed and Pam Siebert**, **Richard Kilsheimer** and **Bill Havens** - - in the 11th end tie breaker.

The prizes for the Katrina (3rd event) went to team **Chebetar**: **Adam**, **Jane**, **Liz**, **Robert**, **Catherine**, and **Adam's brother John** (only four at a time); they overcame **Isa Barghout**, **Tom Doherty**, **Laurie Frees** and **Carl Phares** in the final game. In the Graveyard (4th event) **Geoff and Pippa Broadhurst** with **David and Arlette McLaren** prevailed over **Bunky Harmon**, **Mary Jean Keenan**, **Bruce Huffine**, and **Elly Hollander**.

*And then (at a merrymaking at Katrina Van Tassel's house) there were
apple pies and peach pies and pumpkin pies; besides slices of ham and
smoked beef, and moreover delectable dishes...all mingled higgledy-piggledy.*

Thanks to the efforts and generous contributions of many members, the 1999 Headless Horseman was a festive and enriching occasion for all who participated and who visited. **Suad and Isa Barghout** were in charge of food, which was plentiful and delicious, Saturday evening's filet mignon dinner being the prize winner; many others brought hors d'oeuvres and desserts. Decorations and flowers brought by **Robin Gestring** and **Jeff Lesuk** helped make the occasion grand. The silent auction, run by **Pippa and Geoff Broadhurst** and **Jean MacIntosh** was not only a financial success, it provided the entertainment Saturday evening, thanks in no small measure to **Bob Moye's** impromptu turn as an auctioneer. **Bill Havens** won the grand prize at the raffle - -tickets to a luxury suite at a Yankee's game with all the fixings --which was donated by **Sally Mackenzie**.

On Sunday, after an elegant brunch at the home of **Heather and Brian Kenny**, the finals commenced with a toast from this year's piper, **Don McKay**.

As usual, the Ice Men, **Steve Smith**, **Bob Welch**, **Bill Borowitz** and **Gert Messing**, made the whole show possible as did **Steve Smith** in his capacity as drawmaster. **Carrie and Bob Welch**, **Nancy and Bob Moye** and others, including all who contributed to the silent auction, helped in countless ways to make this a good party.

(Editor's Note: **Jim** and **Rosemary Kindler** chaired the Headless Horseman this year and deserve most of the credit for making it the success it was. Because **Jim** wrote the preceding article he did not get the praise he and **Rosemary** deserve). The first Headless Horseman was held on February 5-7, 1971. It has been held every year since then but one, 1997-98. That year it was omitted because we hosted three major events at Ardsley: The Empire State Bonspiel, The Francis Dykes Memorial Bonspiel

and the Douglas International Bonspiel, all of which took too much time away from scheduled league curling.

USCA MEN'S NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Ardsley team of **Gert Messing, Greg Poole, Mike Murphy** and **Bob Welch** arrived in Duluth, Minnesota on Thursday, February 25th. Their first match was on Saturday afternoon against Wisconsin II skipped by Tim Sommerville of Olympic fame. The match was close until the tenth end when the team ran out of rocks losing 8 to 4. It was after that game that the team agreed that they were up to the challenge of curling in the National Championships. They had been seeded as the 15th team out of the 16 qualifiers, so no one expected them to be a factor.

Sunday the team played two games getting out to early leads in both. Unfortunately they were not able to hold their advantage and lost to the Craig Disher rink of North Dakota, the 1997 US National Champion, 9 to 7. In the second game they lost to the Minnesota III rink. Ardsley went into the ninth end up one and gave up three. They were unable to set up scoring chances in the last end and lost.

Monday was their day. They upset the North Dakota II rink as **Gert** was able to draw the four foot to score one and win the match 7 to 6 in the eleventh end.. The real surprise came on Monday evening when they met the undefeated Washington team representing the Seattle C.C. Washington was coming off a big win over the Sommerville rink and Ardsley ambushed them with a convincing 8 to 4 win.

Tuesday was the key day. If they were able to defeat Alaska and Maryland, they would move to the next round of eight. Both matches were extremely close and agonizing. The match against Alaska was decided when **Gert** threw a hit and roll that came within one inch of being the lying stone. The Alaska skip then drew the four foot to seal a 9 to 8 victory. It only got worse in the evening as Ardsley played winless Maryland. Nothing went our way as Maryland was able to score a 6 to 5 victory in a match that was decided when Maryland skip Jeff Erickson was able to steal one in the tenth end.

The Ardsley team would like everyone to know that they appreciate all the support that they received. The team is in unanimous agreement that they will never forget the experience. All of us can identify with the wish to have a "to do over" in a key match and the Ardsley team felt that they would have made the final round of eight with just one or two more breaks.....Maybe next year.

CURLING CLUB BOARD MEETING

At their February 21st meeting, the Board of Directors voted in favor of submitting a revised set of By-laws to the members for their approval at the annual meeting to be held on Sunday, March 28th at 12:30 PM.. The purpose of the revision is to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Service for an organization such as ours to qualify for a 501-C(3) status. That status is available for clubs promoting competitive curling, as an amateur sport, leading to national and international events. Among the benefits is a tax exempt status that would enable persons to make tax deductible contributions to the Ardsley Curling Club. The Grand National Curling Club, the Norfolk Curling Club, the Nutmeg Curling Club, and the Cape Cod Curling Club have already obtained that status. Several other GNCC clubs are in the process of making application. Formal notice of the meeting, with proxy, will be mailed to all members

COMING EVENTS

- March 18 - 21. Nutmeg's "The Golden Handle Mixed Bonspiel" will be held at Ardsley this year. Come on down and watch.
- Saturday, April 3rd. "Pull the Plug" Party. Don't miss it. It's the final curling party of the year. **Mike and Sarah Murphy** are running the party. At the present moment, the theme is unknown. Watch the bulletin board for further information
- Friday, April 23rd. The Closing Dinner at the Ardsley Country Club. Cocktails at 7:00PM and dinner at 8:00 PM. This is the night that the prizes and medals are handed out. If you played on a team that won or placed second in a competition, be sure to come and get your medal. Notices will be mailed to all curlers with RSVP return cards. **Mary Jean Keenan** is in charge..

Douglas International Bonspiel (continued from page 1)

The **Mahopac Medal** (5th event) went to Pete Mitchell and his Garden State Curling Club entry while the runner-up was the Albany Curling Club team skipped by Austin Cline. Two Ardsley teams competed in the finals for the **St. Andrew's Medal** (6th event). **Ardsley III**, skipped by 2nd year curler **Jeff Lesuk** with **Norm Laird** at vice, **Don Torey** at 2nd and **Jim Kindler** at lead defeated **Ardsley II** skipped by **Gerry Scherocman** with **Scot Silverman**, **Ed Siebert** and **Harry Harper**.

Other Ardsley curlers in the bonspiel were: the members of Ardsley IV skipped by **Walter Baggett** with **Ray Labrosse**, **Gene Flook** and **Kal Sundaram** and **George Cowles** playing lead for Nutmeg.

Now, as to who worked so hard to put the whole bonspiel together, the list is endless. **Vic and Merle Huebner** were the general chairmen. After that it becomes somewhat like copying the roster - there were just so many people involved. However, we will try to give credit where credit is due and if somebody is omitted, well, we tried our best and please accept our apologies. The overall committee consisted of **George Austin** (The Journal), **Lillie and Walter Baggett**, **Marion Cowles** (lunches), **Rosemary & Jim Kindler**, **Jennifer Laurie** (Kits), **Jim McGinnis** (transportation), **Tracy & Gert Messing** (Medals), **Bob Moyer**, **Jean & Pete Murphy**, **Carl Phares** (breakfasts), **Pam Ed Siebert** (decorations and Journal), **Steve Smith** (ice), **Mitzie & Jessie Wang** (Saturday dinner), **Noriko Whyte** (Sunday lunch). In addition, the above committee members had lots of help from the following: **Kim Freeman**, **Heather Kenny**, **Jean MacIntosh**, **Suad Barghout**, **Elly Hollander**, **Kathy Sundaram**, **Pippa Broadhurst**, **Laurie Frees**, **Isabelle Quinn**, **Pat Martin-Fottrell**, **Alison Bankes**, **Mary Ann Moore**, **Robin Gestring**, **Jeff Lesuk** and **Jeff Paul**.

As usual, the ice committee worked overtime. **Steve Smith**, **Bill Borowitz**, **Peter DeJong** and **Trish Ryan** (this had to be a first for the Douglas International Men's Bonspiel - a lady pebbling the ice). Archibald Douglas is probably still spinning in his grave! Not to worry though, Arch, she did a fine job. **Chuck Owens**, a Nutmeg volunteer, spent hours as a warmroom host.

THE GOLDEN HANDLE

by Trish Ryan

At present we have 16 teams signed up for the Golden Handle and are awaiting word from a final four for a full 20 team spiel. Play will begin Thursday evening (March 18) between 7:30 and 8:00, continuing for a full day on Friday with dinner in the warm room. Saturday curling will end about 5:30 PM in order to allow all the curlers time to dress for the Saturday evening banquet which will be held at the Larchmont Yacht Club. All Ardsley members are invited to attend. The cost is \$46.00 per person which covers dinner as well as an excellent band that has played at 3 previous Golden Handles. There is a sign-up sheet in the warm room for all who wish to attend. In addition to the band and dancing there is, as always, an original skit performed by the Nutmeg Players (otherwise known as the Will-Probably-Never-Be-Ready-For-Prime-Time-Players).

There are three teams from the Ardsley C.C. entered in the event. Ardsley I is the **Scott Silverman** rink with **Alice Yeh, Jeff Lesuk & Robin Gestring**. Ardsley II is skipped by **Pete Murphy** with **Jean Murphy, Liz Murphy** and a mystery player yet to be named. **Kay Sugahara's** Manhattan C.C. with **Nancy Clancy** and the **Gutekunst's** is the third. **George Austin** is curling with three Nutmeg curlers on the N.Y. Caledonian entry.

Finals of the 4th and 5th events will be held at 9:00 AM Sunday the 21st. Finals of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd events will begin at 12:00 noon. All finals are 10 ends.

HELP WANTED!! We need warm room hosts/hostesses, help with the inhouse meals - at present we have a special need for someone to run breakfast Friday morning, people to help stuff kit bags and members of the chorus (talent a plus, not a necessity).

Phone Jennifer Stannard at 914-765-4317 or E-mail Trish at TPRISH07@aol.com to volunteer.

THE BONSPIEL TRAIL

Grand National Curling Club Senior Men's Championship was held at Schenectady February 4th to the 7th. Sixteen teams entered this bonspiel, the 19th time the Senior Men's has been held. **George Austin's** NY Caledonian rink with **Fred Freedman** (a Schenectady substitute filling in for an injured **Pete Murphy**), **Geoff Broadhurst** and **Vic Huebner** won the championship and the Nutmeg Stone. In their 1st game they defeated Stan Rooney's Garden State team and in the 2nd game they beat Tony Steiert's Philadelphia team (Tony just won the Douglas International). In the semi-finals they took on, and defeated, Bob Travis of Schenectady. In the finals, NY Caledonian rolled to a 13-4 victory over Jim Holmblad's Schenectady team.

Bunky Harmon lead an Ardsley rink composed of **Isa Barghout, Gene Flook** and **Don Torey**. Although their record was not as inspiring as George's, they did have a good time.

Nutmeg was represented by **Charlie Mack, Chuck Owens, Karl Koss** and **Vance Ward**. One of the Nutmeg ladies reports that their record was 2-2.

The **Francis Dykes Memorial Bonspiel** was held the weekend of February 4th to 7th at the Philadelphia Curling Club. The Dykes is sponsored by the GNCC to provide an opportunity for curlers

with 5 or fewer years of curling experience to compete against curlers of similar ability. **Pete McCuen** sent in the following report regarding the two teams from Ardsley that entered the bonspiel. "We were represented by rinks from Ardsley and St. Andrew's. The Ardsley Contingent was skipped by **Chris Banino** with **Jeff Paul**, **Jeff Lesuk** and **Jim McGinnis**. An otherwise difficult weekend was salvaged with a nine end victory over Albany II. Among the lessons learned was that Spartan living does not necessarily enhance performance. The Saint Andrew's rink was led by **Bill Borowitz** with **Norm Laird** and **Brian** (the Enforcer) **O'Neill** alternating at vice and second and **Pete McCuen** as lead. The group managed wins over Utica II and Norfolk before being ousted in the 2nd event semi-final by **Albany I** in a close game that ended after midnight, well past these guys' bedtime (except for **Brian's**)."

United States Curling Association Senior Men's Bonspiel was held in Milwaukee, WI February 18th to 21st. Nutmeg's **Charley Mack**, **Chuck Owens**, **Karl Koss** and **Vance Ward** competed in the Super-Senior event. The Super-Seniors are not super-old or super-good (according to Chuck Owens). They are just a part of the entire Senior's Bonspiel who elect to play in the super-senior event. In any event, they were runners-up in the second event. According to Trish Ryan they won the third event last year.

Bay State Women's Bonspiel, played at Broomstones C.C. February 14th to the 16th. **Jennifer Stannard** reports that she and **Donna Purkey** (skip) entered the bonspiel with a front end provided by Broomstones. **Donna** skipped the team to the 1st event finals. "Needing a takeout through a miniscule port with a roll to count on the last rock, **Donna's** stone rolled an inch past the counter to lie second stone."

The **United States Women's National Bonspiel** was held at Exmoor, Illinois on February 11th to the 14th. Two teams from this area made the trip west with the following results: A Nutmeg team skipped by **Joanna Owens** with **Jill Owens**, **Sandi Peterson** and **Jennifer Stannard** advanced through the competition at the 32 rink bonspiel. Playing Arden Hills C.C., Blackhawk C.C. and Kettle Moraine C.C. they proceeded to the semi-finals of the 1st event where they lost to a rink from Madison, WI.

Diane Muldowney skipped a rink consisting of **Jean Murphy**, **Ann MacMillan** and **Lauren Paul**. They lost their first two games, won the next two, and then lost their last game. **Betsy Sugahara** (Kay's daughter now living in the Chicago area and a former Ardsley member) substituted for **Ann MacMillan** in two of the games.

Chicago Curling Club Mixed Bonspiel, Chicago, IL February 18th. The Manhattan Curling Club team of **Kay Sugahara**, **Nancy Clancy**, and **Jim & Carol Gutekunst** went to the 24th International Chicago Mixed Bonspiel. **Nancy** reports that they got to the semi-finals of the first event by scoring wins over a Chicago team on Thursday, a team from Toronto Granite, who had just defeated the Illinois Mixed Champions on Friday, and the previous year's winner at Chicago on Saturday. **Jim**, throwing skip's rocks made an outstanding hit and roll to tie that game in the eighth end, giving his team a chance to win it in the ninth end. After that comeback, they were stopped by a team from the Royal

Canadian C.C. of Toronto, who had just won their club's championship, and went on to win at Chicago. It was a tough draw with matches against three Canadian teams. Two of the teams that our curlers defeated went on to win the B and C events.

Canusa Mixed Bonspiel, Border Curling Club, Bebe, Quebec.. Nutmeg was represented by a rink skipped by **Trish Ryan** (the first female skip ever entered in the Canusa bonspiel) with **Peter Dejong, Jennifer Stannard** and **Jim O'Boyle**. They lost to Montreal I, triumphed over Albany II and lost to Sherbrooke by one .

Junior Curlers Bonspiels This year three junior curlers have gone to bonspiels in Boston, Utica, Plainfield and Petersham representing the Ardsley Curling Club. These curlers are **Leslie Reiter**, as skip, **Kendra LaBrosse**, as vice and **John DeMayo** as second. At Broomstones C.C., with the help of Lauren Dunne of Boston, they were runners-up in the F event of the first division. The following weekend, in Utica, they were runners-up in the second event. Early in February, **Leslie Reiter**, with two other juniors from Petersham, went to Plainfield C.C. where they were runners-up in the second event. On the weekend of February 19th, **Kendra** and **Leslie** went to Petersham C.C. where, with a substitute, they won the fourth event. On March 5th they are going to Schnectady C.C. and on March 26th they will travel all the way to Canada to play in Toronto. Good luck to our Junior team!

YOUTH CURLING PROGRAM

We are now running our Youth Curling Program on Tuesday afternoon from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Since changing from Saturdays, we have attracted as many as 25 enthusiastic curlers. They range in age from approximately 8 - 9 to 16-17.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in this program, please call either **Jeff Paul** at 914-591-6988 or **Don Torey** at 914-834-5285.

COMPETITIVE CURLING

LINC SEIBERT (through 2/20/99)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Def</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Def</u>
LS1	S. Smith		2	1	LS3	Harmon	2	1	
LS2	Broadhurst	2	1		LS4	Barghout	1	1	1

THE WELLS (through 2/24/99)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
W1	Gutekunst	2	5	W5	Davey	2	5
W2	M. Murphy	4	2 *	W6	Broadhurst	5	2
W3	Huebner	4	2 *	W7	Kenny	3	4
W4	S. Smith	4	3	W8	Baggett	3	4

* Teams W2 & W4 have not yet been scheduled to meet as of 2/24

THE THORNDIKE (2nd half as of 2/22)

Division 1

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
1	Messing	5	1
2	Austin	2	4
3	Flotron	6	0
4	Huebner	1	5
5	P. Murphy	1	5
6	Silverman	3	3

Division 2

<u>Team#</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
7	Sugahara	3	3
8	S. Smith	5	1
9	Purkey	1	5
10	Godbold	5	1
11	Scherocman	1	5
12	Muldowney	3	3

Mixed Curling

by Ray LaBrosse

The competition heated up in the winter mixed curling schedule. There were 84 players on 20 teams competing over the five week schedule. The large number of curlers forced a realignment of the schedule with some Saturday evening teams playing Friday evening teams on Friday evening. Also, the timing of the Holidays plus the placement of the Headless Horseman Bonspiel presented a challenge to the organizers. The winning team in the winter session was skipped by **Scott Silverman** and included **Pete McCuen, Susan Bussy and Rosemary Kindler**.

The second place team was skipped by **Kal Sundaram** with **Kathy Sundaram, Marion and George Cowles**.

All in all, it was a good schedule with delicious dinners served each week between the Saturday afternoon and evening draws. The sign-ups for dinner preparation has dropped off for the third and final session. Say, have you thought about taking your turn? Come on, its not that hard to order a pizza or put some lasagne in the oven,

WOMEN'S CURLING

WELLS WICKS (Final standings-Tuesday evening league)

<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Diane</u>
Muldowney	5	0	Dnna Purkey	2	3	
Jean Murphy	3	2	Trish Ryan	2	3	
Pippa Broadhurst	2	3	Nancy Clancy	1	4	

Diane Muldowney's first place team had **Pam Siebert**, vice, **Rosemary Kindler**, 2nd, **Cynthia Hodes**, lead.

Jean Murphy's second place team had **Liz Murphy** at vice, **Margaret Guiry** at second, and **Anne Schneider** at lead.

ALL AMERICAN (Final standings-Thursdays morning league)

<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
Ryan	3	1	Baggett	2	2
Keenan	2	2	Whyte	1	3
Clancy	2	2			

Trish Ryan's rink had **Heather Kenny** at vice, **Reiko Iwamoto** at 2nd and **Elly Hollander** at lead.

Elly Hollander prepared an hors d'oeuvre for the Headless Horseman that was so well liked that some members have asked that the recipe be included in Duck Soup. Here it is: 6 eggs hardboiled and peeled, 1 envelope of gelatin, 2 tablespoons cool water, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, 1/8 teaspoon salt (seasoned) 1/8 teaspoon Tabasco, 1/2 small, finely chopped onion, 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce, 3/4 cup mayonnaise, 1 jar caviar (Danish black Lumpfish), chopped parsley for garnish.

Grind or grate eggs, allow to cool. Dissolve gelatin in water. Place in small sauce pan and add lemon juice. Stir over low heat until gelatin dissolves. Place eggs, salt, Tabasco, Worcestershire sauce and mayonnaise in a bowl. Blend well and then add gelatin mixture. Mix again. Finally, very gently, stir in caviar. Pour into 1 quart mold and refrigerate. Unmold and garnish with parsley.

MEETING OF THE MINDS

A team of curlers arrived at an upstate bonspiel and looked for the club member they had known for years. "I'm sorry," said another club member, "he died a few months ago." "Golly, I'm sorry to hear that," said one of the team. "Joe could drink more whiskey and tell better and bigger lies than any man I ever knew." As the curler walked away, the member turned to a friend. "Now ain't that just like some people. Never say anything nice about a guy until he's dead."

USCA DONORS

Lillie Shortridge-Baggett and Chris Banino served as chairpersons in this year's sale of pins to the members. Proceeds of the sale go to the USCA. The following members contributed.

<u>Gold Century Pin</u>			
K. Sugahara	D. & N. McKay	T. Doherty	R. LaBrosse
E. Siebert	B. Shakotko	D. McLaren	D. Torey
J. Murphy	L. Shortridge-Baggett	A. McLaren	C. Phares
W. Baggett		L. Shortridge-Baggett	R. Gestring
M. Guiry	<u>Patrons Pins</u>	V. Huebner	B. Horowitz
	E. Godbold	M. Huebner	S. Hess
	D. & N. McKay		J. Glus
<u>Century Pin</u>	J. Laurie	<u>Boosters Pins</u>	A. Chebetar
R. & J. Hill	L. & L. Paul	R. & N. Moyer	E. Chebetar
K. Sugahara	K. Sugahara	K. Sugahara	L. Shakotko
P. Siebert	P. Murphy	D. & N. McKay	W. Baggett
A. Fagan	B. Welch	E. & B. O'Neill	
K. Freeman	G. Broadhurst	J. & M.J. Keenan	
I. & H. Quinn	B. Kenny	K. Freeman	
G. Austin	J. Kindler	D. & J. Noble	

DUES REMINDER

To the very, very few members (actually, it is just eight people) who still owe something on your dues, please send in your checks now. If you believe that you are entitled to an adjustment, call **Bob Hill** at 914-944-7009.

THE NEXT ISSUE OF DUCK SOUP

The next issue of Duck Soup, which will be the last issue of the 1998 - 1999 curling season, will be published some time in April whenever I get around to it. If you have any thing you would like to see published, or if you think I have left something out in the previous issues, please let me know. My telephone number is 914-944-7009 and my e-mail address is rdh9e@aol.com.

QUESTION?

If you mix orange juice, vodka and milk of magnesia, do you get a Phillips Screwdriver?

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for Ardsley Curlers



Issue #6

April 9, 1999

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Ardsley Curling Club was held on Sunday, March 28th. Secretary **Harry Harper** reported that a quorum was present both in person and by proxy. President **Pete Murphy** spoke briefly on the successes of the past season, thanking all committee chairpersons for their help during the year. Treasurer **Carl Phares** presented his report and **Don Torey** presented the membership report. (see below).

Vic Huebner, chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the names of **Jim McGinnis**, **Jeff Paul** and **Lillie Shortridge-Baggett** (who was nominated for a second term) as the nominees for the Board of Directors of the Class of 2002. They were unanimously elected. **Mary Jean Keenan** and **Harry Harper** retired as directors in the class of 1999. **Harry** has also served as Secretary of the Board for several years.

The members then voted in favor of adopting the new Certificate of Incorporation and the new By-laws that are necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Service if the club is to qualify for a 501-C(3) status. The members then voted in favor of making such an application.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Following the annual meeting the Board held a short meeting to elect new officers and consider certain other matters. **George Austin** resigned as an elected member of the Class of 2001 and was reappointed to the Board as the newly elected President of the New York Caledonians. He replaces **Vic Huebner**, whose term as the President of the Caledonians has expired. The Board then filled the vacancy in the Class of 2001 created by the resignation of George Austin by appointing **Jim Kindler** to the board.

The board then elected the following officers for the year 1999-2000: President - **Pete Murphy**, Vice President - **Jim Kindler**, Secretary - **Pam Siebert**, Treasurer - **Carl Phares**.

The Board of Directors is now constituted as follows: Class of 2000- **Pete Murphy**, **Isa Barghout**, **Don Torey**; Class of 2001 - **Jim Kindler**, **Carl Phares** and **Pam Siebert**; Class of 2002 - **Jim McGinnis**, **Jeff Paul** and **Lillie Shortridge-Baggett**.

Other current members of the Board by virtue of their jobs and/or offices are: **Jean Murphy**, President of the Ardwick's; **George Austin**, President of the New York Caledonians; **Bob Welch**, President of St. Andrew's; **Ed Godbold**, master curling chairman; **Jeff Lesuk**, mixed curling chairman and **Steve Smith**, chairman of the Ice Committee. There are a total of 15 persons on the board.

The Board also authorized the expenditure of up to \$4,000.00 to pay the architect to prepare working plans of the proposed new kitchen, bathrooms and locker room. With those plans in hand, the

committee will be able to obtain bids for the job.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The total number of curlers on the ice at Ardsley at the end of the 1998-1999 season was as follows:

	<u>Active</u>	<u>New Members</u>	<u>Sunday League</u>	<u>Total Curlers*</u>	<u>Assoc</u>
Ardsley	74	19	0	93	10
N.Y. Cal	20	5	0	25	3
St. And	17	0	0	17	6
Sub Total	111	24	0	135	19
Nutmeg	28	1	16	45	4
Total	139	25	16	180	23

* Total Curlers does not include teenage curlers.

THE GOLDEN HANDLE

by Trish Ryan

Nutmeg's 36th annual mixed bonspiel, the Golden Handle, was held March 18-21 on Ardsley ice. Many thanks to the Ardsley Curling Club and all the members who helped chairpeople **Trish Ryan** and **Jennifer Stannard** with the 'spiel. It was probably only fitting that the winning rink in the first event of the Golden Handle, was Ardsley II skipped by Pete Murphy with **Jean Murphy, Mike Murphy** and **Elizabeth Murphy** (and sometimes **Jim McGinnis** to prove that you don't have to be a Murphy to win, but it helps). Ardsley II defeated a team from da Bronx: **Rob Smith, Donna Purkey, Jay Miller** and **Kim Freeman**. (This team seemed to have different people playing at vice and lead throughout the bonspiel).

Second Event, the Nutmeg Shield

Winners: Potomac II: Omar VanRooyen, Louanne LeBlanc, Bob Pelletier and Deb Farace

Runners-up: Wisconsin: Brian Lawless, Tracy Lawless, Doug Draeseke and Lori Mountford

Third Event, the Friendship Trophy

Winners: Philadelphia I: Tony Steiert, Sandra Brown, Jay Rusek, and Ann Steiert. (Tony Steiert

also skipped the winning Philadelphia rink in this year's Douglas International Bonspiel)

Runners-up: New York Caledonian: **Ryan Davis, Alison Antoniow, George Austin** and

Heather Huisman

Fourth Event, the Rat Race

Winners: Nutmeg II: **Ann Wiggins, Pete DeJong, Sandi Peterson** and **Jim O'Boyle**

Runners-up: Dads and Dolls: **Leslie Reiter, Ray LaBrosse, Kendra LaBrosse** and **Bob Reiter**

Fifth Event, the Little Handle

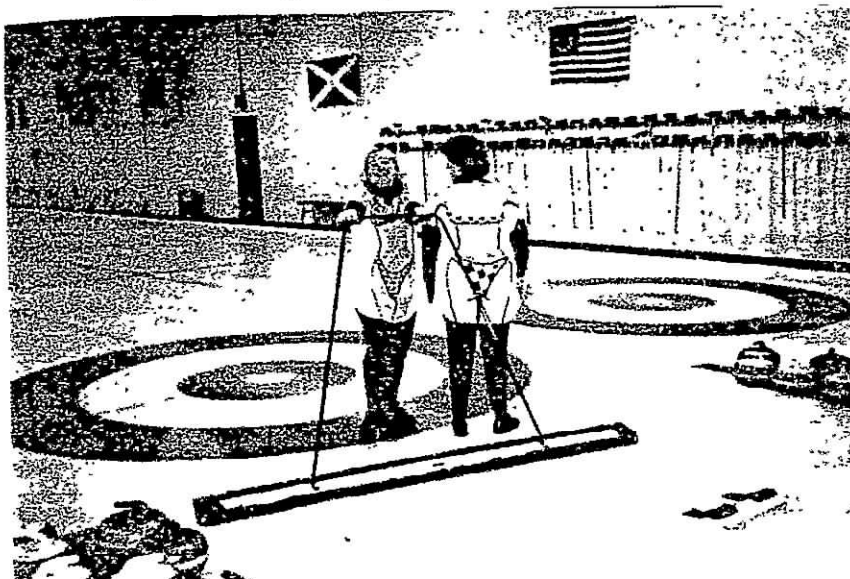
Winners: Norfolk: Jody Law, Ann Wilson, Tom Spada and Norma Spada

Runners-up: Potomac III: Pat McHugh, Carol White, Dave Thompson and Laura McHugh.

Thanks to **Steve Smith, Sally MacKenzie** and **Trish Ryan** for doing the ice. Thanks to drawmasters **Dick Montgomery, Charlie Mack, Giff Kittredge, Bob Hill** and **Carl Phares**. For delicious meals seemingly served every half hour thanks to **Mary Ann Moore**, coordinator, and her merry band: **Patti Burns, Lee Mack, Pamela Mahr, Jean Messina, Joy Noble, Donna Purkey** and all the unheralded others.

Saturday night's banquet at the Larchmont Yacht Club was wonderful, with a spectacular show conceived, , written, directed and produced by **Jennifer Stannard**, who also did all the decorations for the Yacht Club and the curling club. A big thank you to **Jennifer**.

Where's
Steve ?



THE BONSPIEL TRAIL

There is not too much news since the last issue of Duck Soup. Either our curlers are staying home, or, while they may have enjoyed themselves at a bonspiel, they would rather not see the results in print. In any event, here is what has been submitted.

Norfolk Curling Club's Women's Wonderland Winter Bonspiel was played on February 27th and 28th. The first event runners-up were Nutmeg's **Joanna Owens, Jill Owens, Andrea Peterson** and **Krista Kosten**.

Norfolk Curling Club's Childs Cup Invitational Mixed Bonspiel was played February 11th to the 14th. Two Ardsley rinks participated and played each other in the finals of the second event, The Founders Trophy. The winner was Ardsley II skipped by **Ryan Davis** with **Alice Yeh, Scott Silverman** and **Heather Huisman**. The runners-up were Ardsley I skipped by **Walter Baggett** with **Lillie Shortridge-Baggett, George Cowles** and **Marion Cowles**

Petersham Curling Club's Spring Fling Mixed Bonspiel, March 25th to the 28th. Nutmeggers **Jill Owens** and **Sally MacKenzie** along with **Jeff Hannon** and **Jonathan Barbagello** were finalists in the first event.

The Tam Albany Mixed Bonspiel, March 11th to the 14th. A Nutmeg/Ardsley mix of **Pete DeJong, Laurie Frees, Jim Meinhold** and **Trish Ryan** won the Sunday morning Hot Tub event. Sounds like fun!!

Wengen, Switzerland, January 1999. (This is a little late but I just received the report from Walter Baggett on April 7th) **Lillie and Walter Baggett, Marion and George Cowles, and Isabelle and Paul Mort** traveled by plane, train and cog railway to the resort town of Wengen in the Alps to participate in a bonspiel hosted by the Wengen Curling Club, an affiliate of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club. Having journeyed all that distance they found to their dismay that they had forgotten to sign up for the bonspiel which started the next day! Fortunately, only 15 teams had registered so our hardy group of travelers formed a 16th team and were permitted to enter the 'spiel. **Walter** skipped with **Paul** as vice, **Marion** as second and **Lillie** as lead. The team won their first two games, lost the third won their fourth and ended up 3rd out of the field of 16 teams.

Fine, but what happened to **George and Isabelle** you might ask. Well, Isabelle doesn't curl anymore (more's the pity) but that still leaves **George** to be accounted for. He was put on a substitute list but quickly found a permanent birth on a team.

After the official bonspiel concluded, all the curlers were scrambled onto different teams to compete for the Wengen Cup. Only the teams **Walter** and **George** curled with made it through the first day. **Walter** was eliminated the next morning but **George's** team made it into the finals. Everybody except **Isabelle** won a medal and that's her fault because she doesn't curl!!

THE MILLENNIUM BONSPIEL

Paris - London - New York

26 December 1999 - 2 January 2000

by **Lillie Shortridge-Baggett**

Mark your calendars for an exciting week of curling to close this century and begin the next millennium!! The International Curling Committee members are busy working on the final details of the celebration. You can participate in all or part of the events being held during the week entering as a team, couple or individual. Teams will be assigned unless entering as a team. You are welcome to bring family and friends.

The celebration will begin with departure from New York for Paris on Sunday, December 26th, and arrival via London in Paris on Monday, December 27, 1999. The Paris Millennium Bonspiel will be held from December 27th to December 29th. After the awards and farewell party the curlers and friends will depart for one night in London before flying on December 30, 1999 to New York for the New York Millennium Bonspiel. There will be a party and some time for sightseeing in London before departing for New York.

The curling will begin at Ardsley on December 31st through to the finals on January 2, 2000. Everyone will have an opportunity to curl in 1999 into 2000 on New Year's Eve. A party is planned at the hotel for Saturday, January 1, 2000. The estimated cost for participating in all aspects of the bonspiel is \$1,500.00 or less, including the flight, hotels, food, entry fee, and ground transportation. A flyer is being prepared for mailing soon. If you want to make certain you entered, please let Thierry or Lillie know as soon as possible.

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COMPETITIVE CURLING

THE WELLS (final results)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
W3	Huebner	8	4	W5	Davey	6	6
W6	Broadhurst	7	5	W1	Gutekunst	5	7
W4	Smith, S	7	5	W8	Baggett	4	8
W2	Murphy, M	7	5	W7	Kenny	4	8

The Gold medals were won by **Vic Huebner's** team of **Chris Banino, Jerry McCarty, Kal Sundaram** and **Tim Fenton**. The Silver medals, awarded to the 2nd place team, were won by **Geoff Broadhurst's** team of **Bob Welch, Jeff Lesuk, Jim McGinnis, Steve Hess** and **Jim Stabile**.

Although three teams tied for second place and two-teams tied for last place at the end of the regular schedule, the "tie breaking" procedure was used to determine the final order. As an example, the **Broadhurst** team defeated both the **Smith** and **Murphy** teams during the regular season and the **Baggett** team defeated the **Kenny** team.

THE THORNDIKE (final results)

The first half of the Thorndike Competition was a round robin among the league's 12 teams. In mid January the six teams with the best records became Division I and the other six teams went into Division II. As an additional incentive to move "up the ladder" the team with the best record in Division II at the mid point of the second half of the season moved up to Division I while the team with the worst record in Division I at that same point, moved down to Division II. In order to determine an overall league champion, it was agreed that the team with the best record in Division I, based upon a double round robin among the six rinks during the second half of the season, would be deemed the winner of the Thorndike medal. In that respect we congratulate the **Andy Flotron, Rob Smith, Jay Miller** and **Kim Freeman** rink who compiled a 9-1 record in Division I. In Division II, the **Steve Smith, Trish Ryan, Peter DeJong, Jim O'Boyle** and **Sally MacKenzie** rink led their division with an 8-2 record. The overall team records throughout the entire season were as follows:

<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
Messing	15	4	Silverman/Davey	9	11
Flotron/R. Smith	15	5	Huebner	7	13
Austin	15	5	H. Purkey	7	13
S. Smith	12	8	Baggett/Godbold	7	13
Gutekunst/Sugahara	11	9	D. Muldowney	6	13
P. Murphy	10	9	Scherocman	4	15

The committee would like to thank the more than 50 curlers who participated in the Thorndike. **George Austin** and **Pete Murphy** would welcome comments regarding the 1999/2000 season's Thorndike.

THE LINC SEIBERT (final results)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
LS2	Broadhurst	4	2
LS3	Harmon	4	2

<u>Team</u>	<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
LS4	Barghout	2	4
LS1	Smith, S.	1	5

Geoff Broadhurst's team of **George Austin**, **Doug Draeseke** and **Jim Kindler** defeated **Bunky Harmon's** team of **Jerry McCarty**, **Dick Montgomery** and **Jim McGinnis** in a playoff on April 3rd to win the first place.

THE BLANTON (final result)

The Blanton, which is a first half men's competition, ended with a tie between **Geoff Broadhurst's** Team and **Trevor Davey's** team for 1st place and the gold medal. **Trevor** was unable to get his team together on the date set for the play off and thus had to default to **Geoff**. **Geoff's** team of **Pete Murphy**, **Peter DeJong** and **Jeff Lesuk** thereby win the gold medal and **Trevor Davey's** team of **Jim Gutekunst**, **Dick Montgomery**, **Jim Meinhold** and **Mike McWalters** win the 2nd place silver medal.

ARDWICKS ALL AMERICAN COMPETITION (Tuesday evening - final results)

<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
Ryan	5	0
Muldowney	4	1
Murphy, J	2	3

<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
Stannard	2	3
Broadhurst	1	4
Clancy	1	4

Trish Ryan skipped the winning rink of **Katy Clough**, **Laurie Frees** and **Pat Martin-Fottrell**.

ARDWICKS TUESDAY EVENING SPOT CURLING.

The last competitive event of the season for the Ardwicks Tuesday evening league was "SPOT CURLING". Each participant was required to make ten shots: hit, double, draw, guard, hit and stay, wick in, raise, draw around guard, draw through a port and tap in. All the shots had to be made without the benefit of sweepers or a broom. **Pippa Broadhurst** scored the most points and won 1st place and **Jean Murphy** won second place.

ICE HOUSE GANG VS. THE GOOD OLD BOYS

Down by 4 points after their December 11th loss to The Good Old Boys (Nutmeg), the Ice House Gang (Ardsley) came back to take 5 points in their March 5th contest of the "Here and Here"

competition to eke out a 1 point victory. That 1 point was not determined until the last rock of the last end of the last game still in progress. **Bunky Harmon's** team of **Don Torey, George Cowles, Bill Havens** and **John Keenan** (Bill and John each played four ends) lost to **Bob Will's** team of **Vance Ward, Cleve Cleveland** and **Norm Halford** by a score of 7 to 5. **George Austin's** team of **Lee Heffner, Carl Phares** and **Carl Honzak** defeated **Dave Noble's** team of **Chuck Owens, Bruce Huffine** and **Rene Menzel** by a score of 10-4. At this point, with the third game still in progress Ardsley had picked up 4 points and the game was tied. Meanwhile, on Sheet C, **Isa Barghout's** team of **Norm Laird, Pete McCuen, Jesse Wang** and **Bob Hill** (Jesse and Bob each played four ends) were playing against **Charlie Mack's** team of **Karl Koss, Dick Montgomery** and **Dale Strand**. It had been a close game all the way and could have gone either way. However, **Isa** pulled it out and won by a score of 5-4, giving the Ice House Gang the 1 point they needed to retain the trophy for another year.

COMING EVENTS

Closing Dinner, Friday evening, April 23rd at the Ardsley Country Club.

This is *almost the final event* of the 1998-1999 curling season. Members of Ardsley, New York Caledonians, Nutmeg and St. Andrew's are urged to attend. If you have curled on a team that has won a competition this past season, this is when you get your recognition and your medal. Skips of winning teams are asked to call those on their rinks and suggest that they be present. **Mary Jean Keenan** will shortly be sending out notices to each member. If you do not receive yours, please call her at 914-591-7819 to make your reservation.

Clean up Day, Saturday at 9:00 AM on April 4th at the Ardsley Curling Club.

This is the day we pick up all the mess that we curlers have created all season long. It is also the day when we roll up the carpets, bring the stones into the warm room, put the brooms away, clean out the refrigerator and do lots of other things that require many hands. **So please, try and donate a few hours of your time to the Club.**

Curling Club Golf Outing, Thursday, June 3, 1999 at the Ardsley Country Club

This is *the final event* of the season. Once again members of all the curling clubs are invited to attend. All the details have not been set but if you curled this past season, you will receive an invitation to attend. Once again **Mary Jean Keenan** has stepped into the breach and will be sending out notices to all.

PULL THE PLUG PARTY

On Saturday evening, April 3rd, forty curlers and some additional non-curlers assembled at the rink for the final curling of the season. **Mike** and **Sarah Murphy** divided the curlers into ten rinks and set them out to do battle starting at 4:00 PM. At the completion of each end the vice skips opened envelopes provided by the **Murphys** to see what strange scoring instructions had to be followed. In one case, the winner for that particular end was told to score three points for every stone within the four foot.

In that instance, the winner had three stones in the four foot and consequently received 9 points! And with only eight stones. After all ten teams had played four ends, the six teams with the highest score went back on the ice to play two-end matches. The three victorious teams were: **David and Joy Noble** with **Jesse Wang and Ann Fagan**; **Harry Harper, Jim Meinhold, Carl Phares and Pat Martin-Fottrell**; and **Jeff Lesuk, Robin Gestring, Jill Owens and Bob Hill**.

After dinner prizes were awarded to the members of the three winning teams - each received a \$10.00 gift certificate to Barnes and Noble. Prizes for the best costumes went to: **Ann Fagan**, dressed as a bunny (and she curled that way too), **Pat Martin-Fottrell**, dressed as the "grim reaper", **Pippa Broadhurst**, dressed as a witch, and **Jim and Rosemary Kindler**, who had very clever costumes which I find impossible to describe without a photograph.

RAY KAISER MIXED BONSPIEL, March 4-7, Nashua Curling Club. An' Ardsley rink skipped by **Jeff Paul** with **Ann Gauruder, Jeff Lesuk and Robin Gestring** had a difficult time the first day with slow ice and 8' bends. They lost their first two games two games to Philadelphia I and Potomac but then came back to shut out the Philadelphia IV team to put them in semi-finals of the third event against Broomstones. In that game, having lost **Ann** to a prior curling commitment in Norfolk, and with **Robin** moving up to vice, the Ardsley team played Broomstones to a tie at the end of the 8th end. In the final end it came down to skips rocks. **Jeff** had to throw a perfect draw to the button to win and unfortunately was about 18 inches long. Broomstone then went on to win the third event.

MIXED CURLING - FINAL SESSION

There were 20 teams competing in the final session of the mixed curling season. The schedule was interrupted by both the Headless Horseman and the Golden Handle but the games were nevertheless exciting. Several new members joined the teams, mostly on Friday evenings, which added to the enthusiasm.

There were two teams tied with four wins. A Friday evening team skipped by **Alice Yeh**, with **Ryan Davis, Heather Huisman, Per Paulsson and Nick Foster** was awarded first place as they managed to score an impressive 60 points. The Saturday afternoon team of **Kevin and Mary Lockhart** with **George and Marion Cowles** placed second in the standings

Many thanks to all the mixed curlers who organized and prepared delicious dinners over the entire season and to **TOM THE BARTENDER** for mixing up all those great "Dark and Stormies".

JUNIOR CURLING

This was a very exciting year for the Ardsley Junior Curlers. Their final bonspiel of the year was at Schnectady where they won the fourth event. The Monroe Medal. Two of the juniors, **Leslie Reiter** and **Kendra LaBrosse** played with their fathers, **Bob & Ray**, in the Golden Handle. With **Leslie** as skip the "Dads and Dolls" were able to make it all the way to the fourth event finals called the "Rat Race". Even though they did not win, they were very happy with what they had accomplished. Next year the Juniors would like to have a full Ardsley/Nutmeg team. If you or anyone you know would like to be part of the team please call **Kendra LaBrosse** at 914-945-8816.

JUNIOR CURLERS CLOSING PARTY

The closing party for the Ardsley Junior program was held on Tuesday, March 30th. It included a pizza party and individual curling competitions for all who participated during the curling season. The event featured medals which were awarded based upon their ability to throw draws, guards, takeouts, and promotes. Each of the juniors managed to win an event and take a prize which were donated by **Jeff and Laureen Paul**. The junior curlers wish to than some special people who during the course of the season managed to give up time to make the season enjoyable. Special thanks to **Bob Welch, Don Torey, Jennifer Laurie, Bunky Harmon, Bill Borowitz and George Austin**.

THAT'S ALL THERE IS FOLKS. THE NEXT ISSUE OF DUCK SOUP WILL BE OUT IN EARLY NOVEMBER.