# DUCK SOUP

Official Newsletter of the Ardsley Curling Club www.ardsleycurling.com





# REMINDER: Club clean-up Day - Sat, May 5 9am Please come and lend a hand

## The Headless Horseman 2018 -- Winter Olympics

-- Vinay Goenka

We had 51 members participating this year with 25 new members playing their first bonspiel. Team Sweden emerged victorious in the finals, facing off against Team USA. Saturday night featured Trivia and Karaoke. Olympic themed national dishes included BBQ, Tacos, Greek, and Italian! Many thanks to Vinay, Jeff, Alana, Keith, Matt, Barb, and new curlers Meg Ocampo and Mike Gobbo!!





Team Sweden: Jim Bilodeau, Jim Mantia, Jeff Cao, Matt Scheiner (skip)







Howie Kunzinger (right) with trivia winners: Bob Shwalb, Travis Spokes, Meg Ocampo, and Nathan O'Reilly



Karaoke had some outstanding performances.
Everyone should check out the club's Facebook page for some 'noteworthy' ones.



# PRESIDENT'S CORNER





-- Joe Sablow joesab.curling@gmail.com

Greetings Fellow Curlers,

With another season behind us, we look forward to what might be the most important time in the history of the club. We need to all work together in order to accomplish the goal of a new club. Just because it's summer and the days are warm, we need to keep on track.

In the weeks to come the other board members and I will be reaching out to everyone, to ask how you can help in the efforts. It's not that we want, but it's that we need your ideas and help. If you possess a particular skill set don't be shy. Let us know how you can help.

We had a great year. It started with the Olympic Celebration Tour with a visit from gold medalist Katlyn Lawes and Darrell Ell of the WCF. We fired up and prepared for the upcoming Olympics. We held great open houses and the new curling samplers. Through all the efforts we gained one of the largest classes of new curlers in a while. (It didn't hurt that the US men's team won a gold medal).

Not only did they come in large numbers, they are extremely energetic and have taken to curling like (excuse the expression) a duck to water. Even when the power went out they remained eager and passionate. Welcome to you all.

I would like to thank everyone, and I mean everyone that worked so tirelessly to make everything run smoothly. It takes a great deal of hard work and very long hours to make things look easy. I am looking forward to working with you all as we move forward.

## USWCA All-American





Pauline Davies, Lynn Salmon, Barbara Gabhart, Patricia VanTassel-Cromie, Cristin Keegan, (Nicole Zahour)

Pam Politano, Alice Yeh, Gail Boggio, Ellen O'Connor



Misty Zhou,
Melissa
Dominguez,
Amy
Costantino,
Sylvie
Rosenbloom,
(Pippa
Broadhurst)



Congratulations to all the teams in this year's All-American. The All-American is an innerclub event that has been sponsored by the USWCA since 1966. Thank you Gudrun for running this fun event, and thanks to the participants for making this bonspiel a success. The final standings of the All-American 2018 are: 1 - Team Davies; 2 - Team Politano; 3 - Team Zhou; 4 - Team Clancy; 5 - Team Luckey; 6 - Team Corry.



Dolores Redding, Karen Luckey, Marina Jitechian, Lynn Salmon subbing for Brooke Haley



Nancy Clancy, Judith Kelson, John Salmon subbing for Stephanie Lee, Jean Moss



Weezie Corry, Gudrun Sablow, Mary Lockhart, Susan Lapham subbing for Kris Liddle



### **Duck of the Month**

Mallard (Anas platyrhynchos)

This dabbling duck is abundant over most of the northern hemisphere. When it forgets to put on its curling gripper, it slips on the ice just like Vinay at the pull-the-plug.



lead: Dimitri Garder from Albany; skip: Anne Fournier from Broomstones; 2nd: Sharon Gallegos; and vice: Matt Gallegos



The City of Ottawa Men's Bonspiel was Mar 14-18 this year. After a slow start, the guys won their last 6 games in 2 days finishing with a 7-2 record and taking the trophy for the 8th event.

It wouldn't be Spring Fling at the Petersham Curling Club without bunnies! We had Buns of fun. We lost the D finals by a Whisker. Perhaps we needed a little Hare of the dog.



Gert Messing, Mike Murphy, Greg Poole-Dayan, Chris Banino



# League Roundup



#### **Sunday-Morning**

Mike Horowitz, Martin Webb

#### Monday-Thorndike

**1st**: Bill Stopera, Martin Sather, George Austin, Pete Austin

**2nd**: Mike Murphy, Greg Poole-Dayan, Chris Banino, Tom Doherty

**Little T**: Tim Klein, Julie Everett, Joe Sablow, Andy Ness, Laura Hill

#### Thursday-Night

#### **First Half Winners:**

**1st**: Jim Duke, Pam Politano, Doug Hill, Frank O'Donovan

**2nd**: John Salmon, Lynn Salmon, Jon Schuster, Susan Lapham, Judith Kelson

**3rd**: Nancy Clancy, Steve Devaney, Mike Knaggs, Madelene Knaggs, Mike Horowitz

#### **Second Half Winners:**

**1st**: Jim Duke, Sharon Gallegos, Raymond Bejnart, Tim Henkels

**2nd**: Mike Shalhoub, Barbara Gabhart, Joe Hodgkinson, Sylvie Rosenbloom, Sara Barker

**3rd**: Pam Politano, Jon Schuster, Ina Obernesser, Pippa Broadhurst, David Santini, Zach Saska

#### **Thursday-Morning**

#### **Lady Liberty**

Pauline Davies, Susan Lapham, Mary Lockhart, Pat Riedel, Kris Liddle

#### Silver Snowflake

Pauline Davies, Karen Luckey, Patty Van Tassel-Cromie, Pam Speer

#### **Wells Wick**

Diane Muldowney, Mary Lockhart, Pam Speer

#### Friday-Night

#### **Session 1**

Mike Shalhoub, Bob Shwalb, Gail Boggio, Lyn Greaves, Barbara Gabhart

#### Session 2

Catie MacKinlay, Erin Durba, Wade Leon, Tom Daly, Rachel Walkden

#### Session 3

Catie MacKinlay, Bob Shwalb, Misty Zhou,Tom Daly

#### (un)Mixed Doubles

#### 2017-18 Winners:

Sharon Gallegos & Matt Gallegos

#### 2016-17 Winners:

Pam Politano & Bill Stopera

#### Wednesday-Mens

#### **Blanton Winners:**

Gold: Jeff Casper, Tom Daly, Geoff Broadhurst, Rich Goodwin

Silver: Keith Wisbauer, Matt Gallegos, Jeff Greenberg, Vinay Goenka

#### **Wells Winners:**

Gold: Ken Hsu, Dave Schrull, Mike Courts, Eric Oster, Travis Spokes

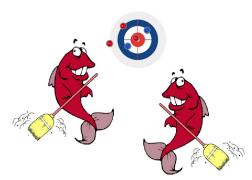
**Silver:** Yushi Yang, Tom Doherty, Curt Pader, Martin Webb

#### **Furline Winners:**

Dan Tufaro, Tom Vespo, Seth Altman, Gil Raitses

#### Saturday-Night

Jim Borgia, Dolores Redding, Judith Kelson, Fran Infranco





### **More Headless Horseman Action**

-- photos: Meg Ocampo





#### Volunteer of the Year

Jim Borgia was presented this year's Volunteer of the Year award at the club's closing dinner. Jim has worked over-time all year manning curling samplers, running Sunday morning league, and introducing curling to his 5th graders. Hats off to you, Jim!

The Ice House Gang (Friday morning Sr. Men's League) created the VOTY award in 2010 in memory of Jesse Wang. The cherry wood plague bears Jesse's rubber mallet, which he used to repair our Warm Room chairs and other items.

Previous VOTY awardees include: Geoff Broadhurst, Alison Bankes, David Schrull, Bob Kennedy, Julie Everett, Curt Pader, Matt Scheiner, and Joe Sablow.

## Membership at a glance -- Pauline Davies

#### **2016-17** season:

Registered curlers 177
Associates 13
LTC only 9
teens/juniors 6
Active curlers 143

#### **2017-18** season:

Registered curlers 283
Associates 28
LTC only 96
teens/juniors 18
Active curlers 135

What a year! We increased our overall membership by 106. With 753 people coming through our fall and spring Open Houses, we registered 96 new Learn-to-Curlers. We hope that these new members enjoyed their first taste of curling so much that they will be excited to join us again in the fall.

We couldn't have had such a great year without everyone stepping up and helping out. As cliche as it sounds, it really did take a village to get through this Olympic year. As I wrap up my 2nd and final term as Membership Chair, I would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time during this very busy and successful season. From the Olympic Preparedness Committee, to all the Open House, Corporate Events, Curling Sampler, and Learn-to-Curl volunteers & instructors, to all our League Chairs and to all those who worked on our social media/website, who volunteered at our in-house bonspiels, who took care of the ice and who worked behind the scenes taking care of the day-to-day business of running a curling club, I want to say THANK YOU!!

With this kind of membership enthusiasm and participation, I am confident that we will be successful as we work towards finding ourselves an awesome new home.

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