



Official Newsletter of the Ardsley Curling Club

DUCK SOUP

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"All the News That Fits"



North Mountain Drive
Ardsley-on-Hudson, NY 10502



Upcoming Events

Closing Dinner

May 6, 7:00 PM

Stone Manor Restaurant

101 Saw Mill River Road (RT 9A)

Hawthorne, NY 10532

ACC Clean Up Day

Coming Soon!

Crooked Billet (open)

May 12-15

Bucks County Curling Club

**A complete calendar of GNCC events
is available at gncc.org**

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Congratulations Team Sather!

CHAMPS



Once again, Ardsley members have won a National Championship! Congratulations to Team Sather (Martin Sather, Bill Stopera, Peter Austin and George Austin) on winning the Mens Club National Championships!

ACC 8 Ender



During the Saturday Night League on March 12, 2016, an 8-ENDER was scored by the rink of Geoff Broadhurst, Derek Cussen, Joyance Meechai and Valeria Barreto! Nicely done!

President's Column



Great season everyone! See you in the Fall.

First, I'd like to publicly thank Jeff Casper for his efforts during his term as President. He focused the Board and our members on the

need for a new facility for our club. So, Jeff, thanks for that, for your friendship and for tutoring me for my turn in the office.

Although the ice is melted, and thoughts turn to beach or golf and other warm weather pastimes, the Board and our members will be very busy before the next on ice coin flip for

hammer. We are filling out responsibilities for all of the jobs that need to be done for the club to run. We are also busy planning for the new ice facility.

We need volunteers for both. Please answer the call if one of us calls you and asks you to take on some task or job for the coming curling season.

As for specific needs outside the normal running of the club, we will have many. Our most immediate need is for assistance in the effort to identify potential properties in Southern Westchester that are appropriate for curling. Free land or land we can rent inexpensively in exchange for building a facility, while perhaps only aspirational, is our first choice. (Frankly, land for purchase here is just too expensive). Anyone with

contacts or knowledge of the real estate market, municipalities, school districts, empty warehouses, etc. that would be appropriate, or that might be interested in partnering with us, please let me know. There are no dumb ideas here. My recent email laid out what we have done so far. We would like to cast a wider net for potential properties, and so are reaching out to each of you for help.

This has been a fun year for me and I hope all of you. Thanks to you for belonging to this club, and each of us owes a debt of gratitude to the many volunteers who contribute in ways large and small to our enjoyment of the Ardsley Curling Club.

Best regards,

Mike Shalhoub
President, Ardsley Curling Club

Thank You McKay Douglas Volunteers

Pippa Broadhurst



The 80th McKay Douglas was run excellently by Joe Sablow. We will have many returning teams next year based on the complimentary words heard around the warm room.

We have one volunteer who is not a curling member but prepares many dietary delights



time after time and has for many years. This volunteer is BARBARA KENNEDY, Bob Kennedy's wife. Barbara Kennedy has prepared more food than any other curling member of ACC. Barb is a whiz in the ACC kitchen, despite its limitations. Thanks to Barb and Bob many things like spices, special olive oil, and good utensils are now in the kitchen. Barb

ought to give lessons on how to juggle food preparation to all of us who struggle in the ACC kitchen. Please look for Barb at Saturday's dinner league and thank her for all she does for us.

I also want to mention a fairly new curler and a great volunteer at the McKay Douglas, Ro-z Edleston. Ro-z worked several days at the MD and did a lot of everything. You'd find her working in the kitchen, running up and down stairs with food and set-ups, or clearing the serving tables. Wherever Ro-z saw a need, she was "On the Spot".

Joe and Gudrun Sablow worked tirelessly to keep it all running smoothly. And, many other volunteers helped to make the McKay Douglas the success that it was.

It would help ACC greatly if all of us stepped up to volunteer a couple of hours each month. I am sure that all of us have untapped talents which would help make our club grow and prosper. Look at the producer/videographer that Laura Hill arranged, for example. Please think about what YOU can do this year and next also.



Childs Challenge

The BB-8-Enders battled their way into the D event finals at this year's Elisabeth Childs Challenge. The team of Sara Perle, Susan Petersen, Megan Fenton, and Jennifer Marco-Kozachek had the force with them at Schenectady Curling Club.



Cherry Blossom

Joe Panella, David Wagenheim, Matt Gallegos and Jon Noble finished 1st-event runners-up at The Cherry Blossom Bonspiel at The Potomac Curling Club Mar. 24-27. They lost to Richard Chin, Hunter Clawson, Caleb Clawson and Eva Chin from Potomac.



The Ardsley-Brooklyn Brunchspiel

The inaugural Ardsley-Brooklyn Friendly - the BrunchSpiel took place on Saturday, April 2. Many thanks to Sara Perle and Cory Fischer, along with a team of volunteers, for a job well done. New curlers, especially those who had never participated in a bonspiel before were encouraged to sign up, and 84% of the players were 5-and-under curlers. Everyone met in good cheer and ate good schmear -- and the trophy is awesome!



2016 Quebec International Bonspiel

Jerry McCarty

Two teams competed with 30 others from Canada, the US, and Switzerland at the 103rd Quebec International Bonspiel held in Quebec City this past January. The Bonspiel began with a Friday night arrival followed by general departure the following Thursday. Jerry McCarty served as this year's President and oversaw the many receptions and gatherings at the Chateau Frontenac Hotel. This year, a new format allowed for a shorter event that matched the needs of curlers with demanding job requirements and busy family duties that have limited attendance in the past. It was essential for the new format to maintain the many traditions that have developed over the Bonspiel's history. This was accomplished with the success of 30 rookies attending.

The NY Caledonian team consisted of Jerry McCarty, Bruce Huffine, and Geoff Broadhurst joined by John Wilson and Paul Sofuolis from Broomstones CC. The Ardsley team consisted of Matt Gallegos, Mike Spensieri, Chris Fenton, and Benjamin Walsh (a sub from Jacques Cartier CC, Quebec City).

Competition was strong and the Ardsley team won runner up in the Third Event final against Charlottetown. A job well done by Matt's rookie team! All were very successful in participating in all non-curling events of the Bonspiel even with the demanding curling pace. A good time was had by all.

Service awards were presented to John Wilson (Decader) and Paul Sofuolis (5-Year) and the Rookie celebration was attended by Geoff, Matt, Mike, Chris, and Ben along with 25 others. Hopefully, all will return in 2017.

Mark your 2017 calendar for Jan 20 to Jan 26. Recruitment starts in September, 2016. Contact Jerry McCarty if you have any questions.

USWCA National Bonspiel

The 68th annual USWCA National Bonspiel was held in Fairbanks, Alaska from February 24-28. Ardsley was awarded two spots, so 8 ladies packed up their long underwear and balaclavas to travel to the Final Frontier.

Between soaking in hot springs, trying exotic meats like elk and moose, and learning a local native dance, Ardsley 1 (Pauline Davies, Pam Politano, Barbara Gabhart, Mary Lockhart) managed to fit in some curling. The ladies were 4-1 heading into the third event finals on Sunday morning. They lost a tight game to Rochester in an extra end. The team played well; their only other loss was to a tough competitive team from Chicago. Chicago and Rochester won the second and third events, respectively.

Ardsley 2 (Diane Muldowney, Leeza Furman, Alice Yeh, Karen Luckey) also made it to Sunday morning. With a record of 1-3, they entered the fourth event semis, then won their next two games to win the fourth event!

Great club, great curling and great memories!



Nutmeg Golden Handle

Friday, Mar 18 to Sunday, Mar 20 - 1st Event finalists in the Nutmeg Golden Handle bonspiel. Dennis Mellerup, Pauline Davies, Bill Maltgieri, and Pam Politano.

*There once a skip from Bombay
His name - can you guess - was Vinay
He loved to throw rocks
And he wore purple socks
And he loved to eat bacon all day!*

limerick by Erin Durba

LEAGUE ROUNDUP

MONDAY NIGHT THORNDIKE

Final standings for the Monday night competitive league put Team Messing in first place with 28 points. Team Messing (Gert Messing, Mike Murphy, Greg Poole, Chris Banino) are winners of the gold Thorndike "T". Silver Thorndike "Little T" pins for winning their respective groups in post season play are: Group 1: Dan Tufaro, Dave Schrull, Jeff Klein, Dave Wagenheim Group 2: Yushi Yang, Lynn Salmon, Steve Agostinho, Simon Pack Group 3: Joyance Meechai, John Noble, John Salmon, Vinay Goenka.

TUESDAY NIGHT WOMENS

The Wells Wick was the final event in the Tuesday evening league. First place: the Broadhurst/Corry Rink with Pippa Broadhurst, Wezie Corry (Skips), Dolores Redding, Mieko Takiguchi, and Amy Costantino. Second place: Nancy Clancy (Skip), Lyn Greaves, Gail Boggio, and Lisa Brown.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENS – WELLS

Wells Final Standings: Taking the Gold Medal was Yushi Yang with Bill Peskoff, Barry Rosenbloom, Eric Oster, and Shoji Takiguchi. Brian Stewart took silver with Dave Schrull, Joe Hodgkinson, and Jonathan Horowitz. The Furline trophy goes to Team Donaldson: Darren Donaldson, Jamey Gelardi, Vinay Goenka, and Jim McGinnis

THURSDAY MORNING

Winners of the Thursday morning ladies All American: Pauline Davies, Marion Cowles, Mary Lockhart, Chris Duncan, and Kris Liddle.

THURSDAY NIGHT

Thanks to Bob Kennedy for running an awesome Thursday night league. Winning teams of the second half - Spring 2016 session are: Darrel Seife (skip), Barbara Gabhart, Curt Pader, Ro-z Edelston. John Salmon (skip), Alice Yeh, Jonathan Horowitz, Judith Kelson. Jim Borgia (skip), Sharon Gallegos, Ellen O'Connor, Jennifer Marco-Kozachek.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Ken Hsu made a clean sweep of the Friday night league, skipping the winning team in each of the three sessions. 1st Session: Ken Hsu (skip), Kevin Greaves, Madelene Knaggs, Sylvie Rosenbloom. 2nd Session: Ken Hsu (skip), Sara Perle, Wade Leon, Sylvie Rosenbloom. 3rd Session: Ken Hsu (skip), Erin Durba, Wade Leon, Sylvie Rosenbloom.

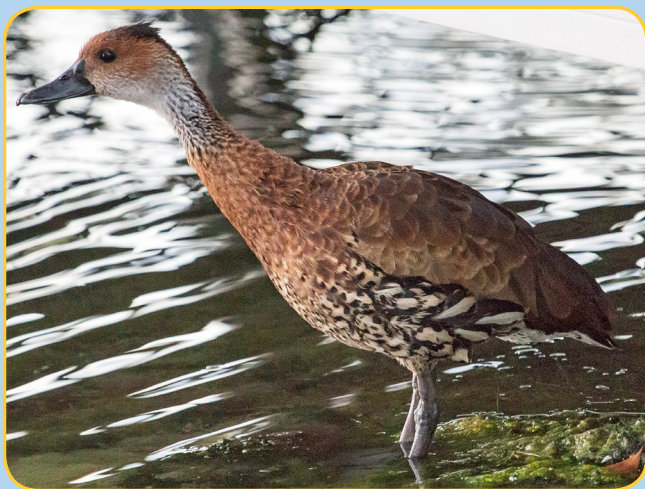
SATURDAY MORNING

Godbold medal winners this year are: First session: Derek Kayser, Wade Leon, Pam Speer, and Shoji Takiguchi. Second session: Pam Speer, Geoff Domm, Pat Riedel and Shoji Takiguchi.

SUNDAY MORNING JUG OGDEN

A shout out to Danny Casper, Matthew Rosenbloom, Sere Politano, Trey Glickman, Tyler Chebetar, and Eli Hersch for an outstanding season beating the adults all but twice this year. They showed great improvement and pushed the adults to become better curlers.

DUCK OF THE month



West Indian Whistling Duck (Dendrocygna arborea)

One of the rarest ducks in the Americas, the West Indian Whistling-Duck is almost as rare as an 8-ender!

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