

# DUCK SOUP

Official Newsletter of the Ardsley Curling Club  
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## UPCOMING:

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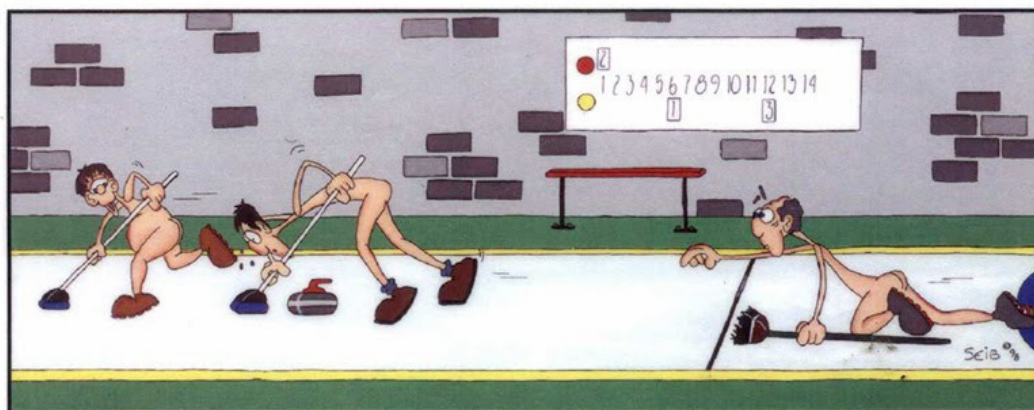
The Bucket

### Dec 28

Skins Game

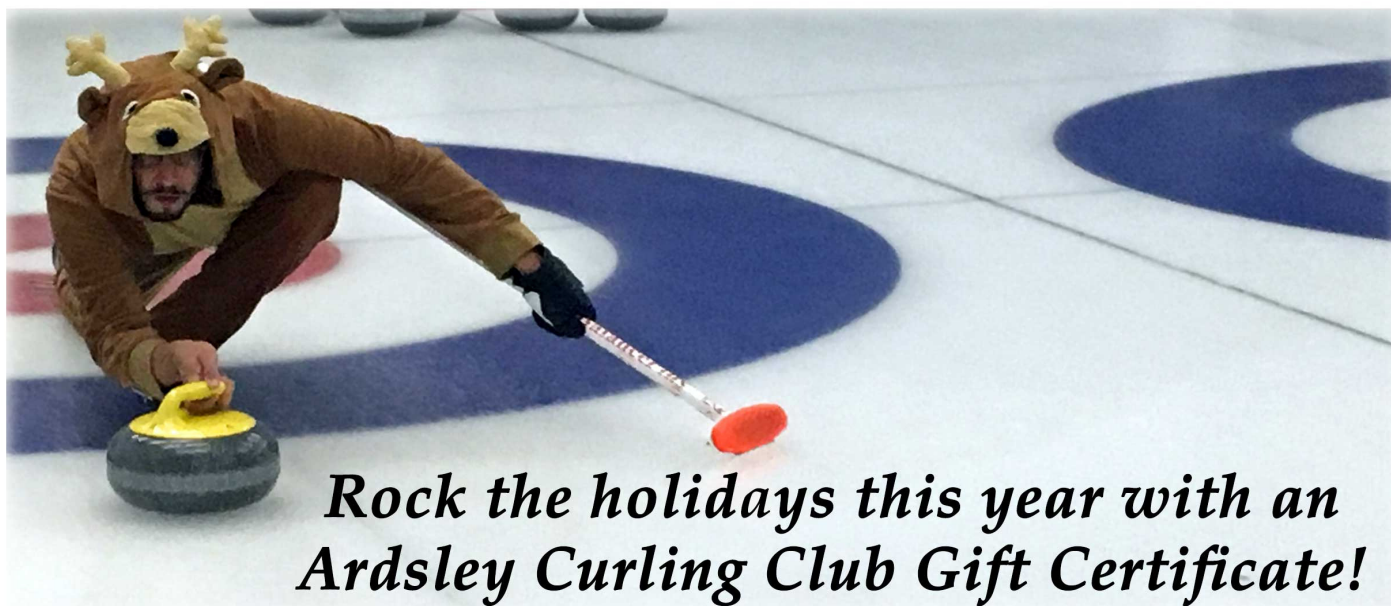
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Bloodies & Brooms



The Curling Skins Game

Contact Steve Hess if you want to play in the Holiday Skins games at 7:30pm on Dec 28. All skill levels are welcome.



***Rock the holidays this year with an  
Ardsley Curling Club Gift Certificate!***

Our club will be offering 90-minute Curling Sampler sessions beginning in January. We'll also be hosting Olympic open houses this February.

For more details and to buy gift certificates visit: [www.ardsleycurling.com](http://www.ardsleycurling.com)



## THE GRATEFUL DUCK

-- *Nick Beaton*

On Nov 4th, our club welcomed 100 curlers for the event that has become one of the premier 5 & Under Bonspiels in the country after Bob Kennedy and Matt Scheiner opened the spiel to outside clubs in 2012.

This year, we limited the number of teams per club to three, and despite that limitation, we were half full in 29 minutes. We completely sold out in just 6 days with many teams on the wait list. In total, we had 12 clubs represented, with the furthest driving up from Coastal Carolina to curl with Mike and Madelene Knaggs.

The formula for success seems simple: be hospitable, make it fun, and be competitive. But there is so much more that makes the Cool Duck such a resounding success. It all starts with our volunteers: so many of you came in to help, and for that, I am eternally grateful. You didn't just help, you provided top-notch service to our guests starting by personally greeting each guest that arrived to make them feel at home.

We had a Saturday Night raffle that provided some great interest and entertainment. Thank you all who donated to the raffle ...we raised \$2,000 for the club!!

We had really great food and provided a nice variety throughout the weekend.

Jon Schuster provided masterful web streaming of many games. We had multiple angles, on-screen graphics, wise-cracking commentators, and viewers galore.

Our ice is created to amaze thanks to ice man Martin Sather. It was speedy and curly, and the curlers were very happy.

Oh, and it certainly didn't hurt that we made special arrangements to serve discounted beer and cider.

Our warm room is simply awesome. The stadium seating, large glass, and cozy atmosphere were all praised by our guests. Here's hoping we can bring some of the characteristics over to wherever our new club will be.

The first event finals were between Ardsley and Philadelphia. Congrats to our winners -- Dan Gerlach skipped a team with Steve Agostinho, Tom Daly, and Susan Peterson. It was their closest match of the bonspiel, and they came out ahead.

Thank you all for the generosity that makes this event so special!







## Ardsley Curling Club Turkey Trot 2017

### A Game of Stones



House Lannister

Jim Duke  
Yushi Yang  
Misty Zhou  
Susan Lapham  
Bob Kennedy



House Baratheon

Joe Sablow  
Sharon Gallegos  
Jennifer Marcos  
Mike Horowitz  
Kate Clough



House Stark

Matt Gallegos  
Sara Perle  
Matt Rogalla  
Amy Costantino  
Tim Henkels



House Greyjoy

Pauline Davies  
Derek Kaiser  
Leeza Furman  
Chrissy Hall  
Eric Madsen



House Targarye

Matthew Rosenbloom  
Barry Rosenbloom  
Jeff Cao  
Sylvie Rosenbloom  
Gudrun Sablow



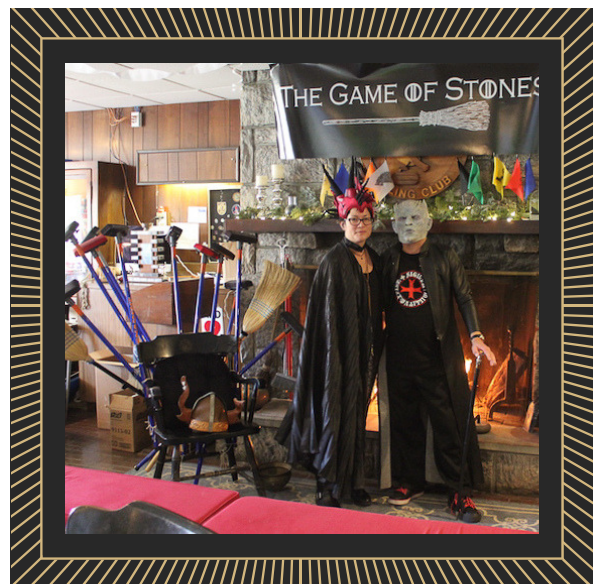
House Tully

Erin Durba  
Jeff Greenberg  
Vinay Goenka  
Mike Knaggs  
Madelene Knaggs

# Winter is Coming



House Lannister triumphed over House Stark at the Game of Stones. A big thank you to Kate Clough and Eric Madsen for bringing the song of ice and fire to Ardsley.





# Duck of the Month

## Northern Shoveler (*Anas Clypeata*)

The large bill on this dabbling duck helps the skip yell for sweeping as his teammate glides out smoothly on one webbed foot.

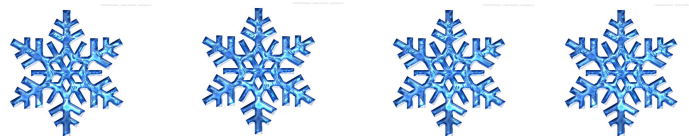


# USWCA Bonspiels

The Coyotes Curling Club in Tempe, Arizona hosted the 36th Annual USWCA Senior Women's Bonspiel Nov 29-Dec 3. Ardsley was one of the 32 teams participating with a rink skipped by Diane Muldowney. She and Karen Luckey flew home in time to also play at the Crystal Snowflake.



Diane Muldowney, Susan Lapham, Karen Luckey, Lucy Harr



Christi Kirchner, Leeza Furman, Chrissy Hall, and Lynn Salmon were Up to Snow Good at the 2017 Crystal Snowflake at Nutmeg Curling Club, Dec 8-10. Sara Perle made rocks fly on team Avalanche.



# The Ross Tarlton -- *Matt Scheiner*

The Ardsley Curling Club was well represented at the Ross Tarlton International Bonspiel, which is the annual showdown between the men of the GNCC and the Ontario Curling Association. Teams are by invite only, and Ardsley was represented by Geoff Broadhurst, Mike Infranco, Heinz Gruettner, and Bill Langley. There was also a Long Island CC team which included two Ardsley members: Matt Scheiner and Keith Wisbauer. The event was held at the highly prestigious Granite Club in Toronto, ON this year, which was an absolute pleasure. This facility has eight sheets of curling ice, an ice skating rink, several restaurants, two banquet halls, squash courts, tennis courts, gym equipment, yoga studios, multiple swimming pools, and a locker room so big you could fit the entire Ardsley Curling Club building inside of it.



RL Louis, Matthew Scheiner, Keith Wisbauer, Bobby Iadanza.

The Ross Tarlton is a total points bonspiel, and after 64 games, the point difference was a mere 17 points! The final tally came out in favor of the GNCC, which doesn't happen very often. This is a great bonspiel that fosters a huge amount of camaraderie between American and Canadian curlers.

The Ardsley Curling Club is honored to announce that we will be co-hosting this event next year with the Nutmeg Curling Club. The event will be held Nov 8-10, 2018 and please consider volunteering. As we continue to fundraise for our new home, the attendees of this event are a prime target for donations, and we need to show them a good time (especially after the experience they had at the Granite Club this year). We look forward to hosting this event next season.





## **Turducken: a chicken in a duck in a turkey**



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