

# DUCK SOUP

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### Sunday, April 25 3-5pm

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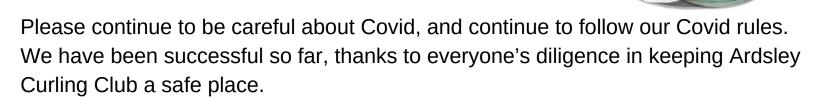
We urge everyone to attend the virtual annual meeting on zoom this year. Our president, Joe Sablow will be discussing important plans for the future of our club.

The Olympics are February 4-20, 2022. In this Olympic Year we need all hands on deck to capitalize on the increased awareness of our sport with the general public.

Members are encouraged to submit questions, comments, or suggestions in advance of the meeting to:

ardsleycurling.board@gmail.com

If you can not attend, please request a meeting proxy.



Remember: don't come to the club if you are sick, and always wear a mask.

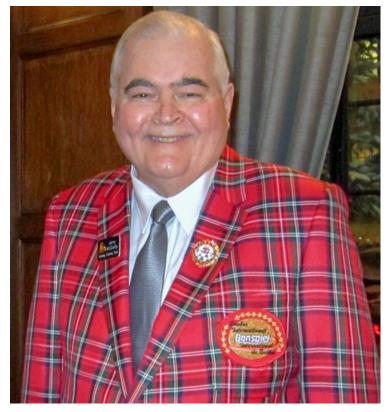
# In Memoriam Jerry McCarty

February 24, 2021

With great sadness I share the sudden passing of our fellow curler and frequent contributor to Duck Soup, Jerry McCarty.

George Austin, President of the NY
Caledonian Curling Club and a long time
friend of Jerry's said -- "Jerry was an 'original'
New York Caledonian, our Treasurer for
many, many, years, and an annual participant
in the famous 107-year-young Quebec
International Bonspiel (its 2016 President - a
distinct Honor bestowed on him). He was as
dedicated to Ireland and the New York Jets
as he was dedicated to the Spirit of Curling.
His graciousness will be missed by all and
we all wish him Godspeed."

Team NY Caledonian at the 2016 Quebec International Bonspiel. From left: Bruce Huffine, Geoff Broadhurst, Jerry McCarty (center), John Wilson, and Paul Sofuolis.



Jerry in his "Royal Tartan" President's jacket at the Quebec International.



Jerry (on the left) at the 1998 Monctonian. Also shown are: Don Garside, Presenter, Chris Banino, Jim Gutekunst, and Steve Smith.

### **President's Corner**

-- **Joe Sablow** joesab.curling@gmail.com



Greetings all,

What a year this has been. We were forced to close early last season, while the pandemic worked its way across the country. We came down to the wire on signing another lease, and now we will be able to continue curling in the future. We were able to hold a modified season, and made it through without any major incidents. Even though it didn't feel like a normal season, it was a season just the same . With no hand shakes, wearing masks, one sweeper, no defensive sweeping, no bonspiels and no broomstacking. All that I can say is we were still curling. I can't thank everyone enough for the efforts. I especially want to thank those members that contributed financially and didn't play, that is the true sprit of curling.

Now there are vaccines. I encourage everyone to get vaccinated. If all goes well the 2021-2022 season will have some sense of normality. I would like to see everyone return to curling. We are also heading into an Olympic cycle. This means that, hopefully, as in the past, there will be an increased interest in curling. We can't wait to get things started, we need to start getting the word out now. We we need to start planning for next season now. If we need to adjust because of Covid, we will have a plan B, C, and D in place.

We need everyone to participate. There is a lot of rebuilding to do. I will be outlining the next steps at the annual meeting scheduled for April 25,2021. Please make an effort to attend. Until then,

### **Duck of the Month**

These diving ducks sit low in the water and fly at an angle with the head higher than their feet. This pair is ready to take on Andrew Stopera and his partner Madison Bear at the US Mixed Doubles National Championship this summer.

## Red-breasted Merganser (Mergus serrator)





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### End-of-year Bonspiel

- 3 Games Guaranteed
- Pointspiel
- \$20 minimum entry fee

Oh, the places you've wanted to Go! There's time for one "in-person" bonspiel to wrap-up this Covid curling season.

Play is open to any Ardsley member, including those who chose not to play this season. All entry fees will go to the ACC building fund.

Covid-safe rules apply.



The USWCA is the oldest national curling organization in the United States.

The USWCA presently consists of over 60 clubs with 2,680 members.



### The USWCA is turning 75

The USWCA winter meeting was held virtually last February, and even though we had to suspend all events, tours, and inperson functions for the fiscal year May 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021 we have been busy planning ahead.

The 75th Anniversary will be held at the Winter Meeting and National Bonspiel in February 2022 in Utica New York. The USWCA is providing a new trophy that will be given to The US Curling Association. The trophy is engraved on one side with -**USA Curling Senior's National** Championship. The other side reads -Presented by the USWCA to commemorate it's 75th Anniversary 1947-2022. Committee members are also working on a pin and a history book that will be available for purchase soon. Many clubs are generating ideas to participate in this milestone event. Feel free to discuss with me any ideas you might have for Ardsley.

Look for these future bonspiels:

#### The 5-year and under open

East: Utica CC, Oct 29-31, 2021

Central: Bowling Green, Jan 14-16, 2022

#### **Junior Bonspiels:**

East: Ardsley CC, Date TBD

Central: Rice Lake CC, February, 2022

West: Itasca CC, Jan 21-23, 2022

#### Senior Women's Bonspiel (55+)

Denver CC, Dec 1-5, 2021 Racine CC, Nov 30-Dec 4, 2022 Cape Cod CC, Nov 29-Dec 3, 2023

#### **Super Senior Bonspiel (65+)**

Black Hock CC WI, Jan 11-12, 2022

Here's to a new and safe season. Good curling.

> -- Gudrun Sablow USWCA rep.



### **Congrats Tom & Catie!**

We welcome future curler, Thomas Michael Daly IV, who came into the world March 3.



Colin and Ilya Kasprowicz rockin' their Team Homan shirts enjoyed watching the Scotties. There's still more great curling scheduled at the Calgary Curling Bubble.

Upcoming major curling competitions include:

Men's World Championship: April 2-11

Women's World Championship: April 30 - May 9



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