

HI to all Ardsley Curlers! Welcome back to the club. Here is some fun curling news! Please do not hesitate to send articles to me for inclusion in the next Duck Soup. Ted Pitt (TED_PITT@MSN.COM OR 212 988 3314

Boospiel Chairperson

To all curlers:

Well, the summer is coming to a close and soon we will be putting away the grills and taking out the brooms again. That means that curling season is right around the corner and we will be all geared up for another year of fun and camaraderie on the curling ice. So, please plan on joining us for our opening tournament: The 5th Annual Boospiel, Thursday, October 11 through Sunday, October 14th. This spiel is open to all curlers, new and experienced. The cost will be \$30.00 per person, which includes curling, food, fun and the usual rebel rousing (you won't want to miss it). You need only send a quick RSVP to Sandy Gaffner at acuberk@aol.com by October 1st so we can put you on the list. So come on down, and we'll be looking forward to seeing you there

Sincerely
Armen Balemian

The Opening Dinner is at Leewood Golf Club on Friday October 5 (7 PM cocktails, 8 PM dinner).

\$78 all inclusive (hors d'oeuvres, dinner, beer/wine)

Please RSVP to Gail Boggio at 914-472-6834 by September 30 (cancellations require 72 hr notice).

Come celebrate the start of the curling season!

P.S. Directions to the Leewood Golf Club (One Leewood Drive, Eastchester) were sent to you with your returning member package.

Romeos will start 10/19! (Senior Men's Friday Morning)
Our Friday morning sessions will begin on Oct. 19 at 9:30. Better get the horse linament out.

Visit Ardsley Curling Club online at <http://www.ardsleycurling.org/> to see the **2007/2008 ice schedule** (under new notices) and MUCH MUCH MORE!

Ray Turnbull Curling Clinic October 26 to 28 at Ardsley Curling Club

Ray Turnbull, TSN Curling Commentator, World Champion curler, and World Class instructor, is coming to Ardsley once again to put on a *world-class curling clinic!*

For curlers of all levels, this clinic will be led by Turnbull and his staff of professional instructors, a group that has taught curling to more curlers than anyone else, including *18 world champions*.

Participants will be *video taped* and their delivery analyzed (no stick delivery - sorry), will get help to improve shot making and sweeping, study strategy and much more.

Divided into two groups, A and B, 25 per group, participants will be given 10 hours total instruction:

Friday, October 26	Saturday, October 27
Group A – 6:00pm to 8:00pm	Group A – 9:00 to noon
Group B – 8:00 to 10:00	Group B – 1:00 to 4:00
Sunday, October 28	
Group B – 9:00 to 11:00am	
Group A – 11:00 to 1:00	
<i>Lunch – 12:00 to 2:00</i>	
Both Groups – 2:00 to 4:30	

The cost of the clinic is \$160.00 per person.

This clinic promises to be much in demand, so if you would like to participate, *act now! Total attendance is limited* to fifty and availability is first-come-first-served.

To sign-up, write a *check for \$160.00* payable to the Ardsley Curling Club and mail it to Nick Andes at P. O. Box 142, Ardsley-on-Hudson, NY 10503-0142. Include your name, email, phone #, and years curling experience.

Respond ASAP to secure your spot in this incredible clinic!

A message to thank all volunteers who have helped at the curling rink over the last month.

On 08/16 & 08/19 , B.Borowitz headed a crew of P.McCuen , N.Laird , J.Jacquet ,P.Westrell and V.Huebner to paint the walls of the curling rink . A total of 48 man/hrs were spent.

On 08/18 Tracy and Gert Messing swept the floor of the curling rink and applied 1 coat of masonry treatment on sheet A . a total of 9 man/hrs were spent.

On 08/20 , a crew consisting of S.Smith , J.Jacquet , T.Ryan , T.Klein ,M.Bussy and G.Messing applied

a 1st coat of paint on our new concrete floor. A total of 20 man/hours were spent.

On Wed.08/22 , a crew consisting of T.Klein , J.Jacquet , M.Bussy , D.Shrull , D.Waggenheim , M.Courts , T.Messing and G.Messing applied a 2nd coat of paint on the floor. a total of 20man/hours

were spent.

On Sat.08/25 , a crew consisting of T.Ryan , T.Klein , D.Mellerup , D.Tufaro , S.Smith , M.Courts , D.Waggenheim and G.Messing painted the houses and the hog lines . A total of 34 man hours were spent. Special thanks to T.Ryan for providing coffee and bagels.

On 08/29 , a crew consisting of A.Bankes , D.Shrull , S.Hess , T.Klein and G.Messing applied a rubber

base around the perimeter of the curling rink . a total of 10 man/hours.

On 09/10 , a crew consisting of B.Borowitz , J.Dorf , D.Shrull , S.Hess and G.Messing cleared the walkways around the curling rink and built a tent to protect the floor of the curling rink from the

construction crews that replaced our double metal doors and our walkway carpets. A total of 10 man/hours were spent.

On 09/12 , a crew consisting of H.Gruettner , M.Courts , J.Jacquet , D.Shrull , D.Waggenheim , T.Klein

and G.Messing put on 2nd coat of paint on the houses. A total of 20 man/hours were spent .

That is more than **170 man/hours** spent prior to the start of making ice. **Many thanks to all who have generously volunteered their time to help.**

Gert Messing

Nancy Clancy and Laurie Frees played in the Cape Cod Summerspiel with Stephanie Martin (Chicago) and Barbara Sylvia (Cape Cod). They lost in the first event finals to the Friendship Tour 2006 team (a team of MVPs). As usual, a great time was had by all.

Patti Burns gave a wonderful summer party at her home and pool, with plenty of nice food, drink, company, and entertainment by North Country Music, her husband Mike's band. It was great to see the families, with the new generations of curlers, courtesy of the Gaffners and the Goodwins. Liz Hill was there with her almost baby, who is now little Jacob. Nadja McKay provided a wonderful food menu and ALL the picnic-ers brought appetizers and desserts. They were yummy! Pictures will be displayed in the warm room in October.

KAY SUGAHARA IS AWARDED
PATRON, Grand National Curling Club of America

It is fitting at this GNCC meeting we recognize Kay Sugahara for his many contributions to curling by honoring him with the prestigious GNCC PATRON AWARD.

Kay's introduction to curling came over 30 years ago when he asked if that long building at the Ardsley Country Club was for storing golf carts. He was told it was the curling club – his question was “What’s curling?”. Through the efforts of Kay Sugahara, and many others, today millions of people know what curling is.

After attending the world curling championships for several years, Kay became interested in the international aspect of the sport. When the event lost its long-time sponsor, he and five other international business men formed a company called Hexagon and sponsored the World's for one year. After the first year, Kay continued to sponsor the event single-handedly for two more years.

Kay's international business experience enabled him to recognize the potential for curling in Asia where he organized curling schools and helped to initiate a new center of fans and players.

He also recognized the potential growth of curling if it became an Olympic sport. He was instrumental in curling's first introduction as a medal sport in the 1998 Olympics in Nagano, Japan.

In 1988, Kay was awarded the Elmer Freytag Award by the World Curling Federation. This honor is presented to individuals for distinguished service and major contributions to the development and advancement of curling internationally.

Kay's interest and generosity to the sport is truly unprecedented and encompasses not only international, but the GNCC and many clubs within the GNCC. Recently, Kay arranged transportation for 40 sets of curling stones from Scotland to the U.S. to be used primarily for new clubs using arena ice - another new expansion for curling participation. If there is a way to create more interest in curling, Kay will probably be involved. It is with sincere pleasure that the GNCC presents the PATRON AWARD to Kay Sugahara.

Albany Curling Club to host a “SUPER STICK ‘SPIEL” this year.

If you can only send 2 or 3 “stick” curlers, we will fill out your team with others. The goal is to get together and have some fun “Super Stick” Curling for a couple of days before Thanksgiving. If you absolutely can’t do Friday curling at 7 or 9 PM, maybe we can schedule you for Saturday only for your games. Please work with us – we’ll do what we can to do the scheduling details so you can come and curl with us.

Teams: All positions must be “stick” curlers

**Date: Friday & Saturday, November 16 – 17, 2007
2 games for each team – POINTS Basis**

**Schedule Includes: Light Supper & first draw Friday at 7 PM,
second draw Friday at 9 PM
On Saturday Continental Breakfast, Curling at 9 AM,
11 AM,
Lunch - Curling at 1 PM, 3 PM; Cocktails, Dinner,
Rewards & Fun**

Cost: \$100 per team

**Response Deadline: 11/01/07 with Check & Form to
Roger Cooper; 185 Georgetown**

Court

Voorheesville NY 12186

Other responses by return email: cpspoth@nycap.rr.com

**Hotel Arrangement: Best Western Sovereign (let us know – we’ll make
reservations)**

\$73 Single or Double

\$76 Triple or Quad

CORPORATE EVENTS AND PRIVATE PARTIES

Want to improve teamwork and morale in your business?

Want a new and exciting idea for a party?

Looking for the winter equivalent of a golf outing?

Come experience the thrill of curling, in beautiful Ardsley-on-Hudson in New York.

Curling – one of the newest and “hottest” Winter Olympic sports is easy to learn in a 2-hour event/party. In a typical program, you will have a 20 minute introduction to the sport and 90 minutes on the ice for instruction and play, with optional additional time for food and/or refreshments. The club will supply all necessary equipment, but you must come prepared for fun, wearing loose fitting, warm-weather clothes and clean sneakers. Although curling is a sport that requires many years of training to become good enough for the Olympics, it can be learned and played by almost anyone, old or young, at a recreational level with very little training.

Corporations from Microsoft and NBC all the way down to the smallest construction and accounting firms have tried curling workshops and loved them, and we are now offering the opportunity to companies (or any organized group) to take advantage of this exciting and popular activity. We have also hosted numerous birthday parties and gift “experiences”.

For more information, contact Sandy Gaffner at acuberk@aol.com or (914) 391-3130