# EMPIRE STATE BONSPIEL BOARD MEETING January 13, 1991 Schenectady Curling Club

Attending: Schenectady - Judy McCullough, Marie Fletenik

Ardwicks - Jinny Hill, Kathy Mudge

Utica - Carole Logalbo, Ginny Antonette

Shirley Bruce, Marcella Hanlon - Plaque presentation

Judy McCullough called the meeting to order at 8 PM. Shirley and Marcella presented the plaque naming the ESB winning clubs since the inception of the event. The group was very pleased with the plaque. In 1990 they had agreed to prepare it to be a traveling item to go with the winning team each year. The winning club is to have the appropriate engraving done. Total cost is \$235.64 (\$78.55 per sponsoring group). Bills were given to each club's representatives and they were asked to remit shortly. The host club for each year needs to know who won it the previous year, remind the defending team to bring it to the spiel, or in the case that the defending will not be in the spiel arrange for its shipment to the host club by an established advance date.

Marcella is working on a new photo ablum. Judy M. will send photos from the 1991 spiel to Marcella for/inclusion.

Judy will turn the traveling box over to Jinny Hill, next year's host, at the conclusion of the spiel. Photos may be given to Jinny, too, if they are ready.

Rotation of event awards this year were established as follows by the host club. 1st Event - Schenectady, 2nd Event - Westchester, 3rd Event - Utica, 4th Event - Ardsley. This rotation was satisfactory to those present. It was agreed that Utica and Schenectady would be separated in the rotation.

Norfolk and TCC unable to participate this year. Expect to in 1992. Utica invited to enter 3rd team, couldn't, hence Albany 3 teams.

<u>Scheduling of Bonspiel</u> - Starting on Sunday helps to encourage entries. Should a host club wish to and be able to host the bonspiel over a weekend - please submit the proposal to the Board.

Guildelines sheet (prepared by S. Bruce 1.10.86) Judy offered to make the few additions currently appropriate. Toobe distributed.

<u>Canadian Rinks</u> - 3 participating this year. Encourage your club to support their spiels.

1991 Final Report - Judy will complete following the spiel and send it to Ardwicks - Jinny Hill.

Filling spiel slots - host club should contact other sponsoring clubs prior to accepting multiple rinks from other clubs. If circumstances preventing sponsors from submitting additional entries are known, contact is not necessary.

Discussion of membership statistics - lively discussion and sharing of frustrations in maintaining curling calendar.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Pletenik, recorder

# BONSPIEL RESULTS

First Event	Schenectady Stone	St. Catharines
	Schenectady Cup	Utica I
Second Event	Clarke Trophy	Schenectady II
	Seibert Trophy	Albany I
Third Event	Hurd Bros. Cup	Schenectady III
	Pringle Sisters Saucer	Utica II
Fourth Event	Ardsley Duck	Plainfield
	Ardsley Duckling	Montreal West

First Empire State meeting held at Nadja McKay's - 8/2/91

In attendance were:

Nadja McKay
Carol Meszaros
Shirley Bruce
Marcella Hanlon
Molly Babcock
Helenne Kayser

Marita Smith Heather Kenny

Committee Chairpersons absent:

Jean Glus Kathy Mudge Mary Jean Keenan Jinny Hill

It turned out to be a very good meeting. We went over the budget item by item and the only amount that was changed was the "Favors" item. We had a long discussion as to what to give the participants in the kit in It was agreed that almost addition to the perfume. anything would cost a fair amount of money and get too involved and preparing as we have so few people and everyone is wearing at least two hats. The "theme" of this bonspiel was discussed at this point in order to coordinate a give away and the question finally came around, why not using our built-in theme of the "APPLE'? After much discussion, we learned from Marlene that Westchester is called the Golden Apple and she could, through some source, get us the little golden apple stick Everyone was very excited over this idea and it was agreed that the perfume and the apple pin would be enough for the kits. Shirley would do the name tags and we would attach a pin to each. Therefore, \$100.00 was added back to our budget. Shirley also said she had some folders left over from the Senior bonspiel which Jinny had given to her. She would check to see if she had enough.

Discussed Opening Party - Would stay with heavy snacks and liquor. Shirley would work with Marcella and we are to use small paper plates and napkins, also plastic cups to alleviate clean-up chores.

Decorations and Paper Products - Since we decided on the Apple Theme, it was agreed that Kathy Mudge who will be in charge of decorations will have carte blanche in the idea category as she already has many of the supplies to decorate. It was also agreed that she and Heather would

shop for all the paper products and would buy it in bulk which may save money. Heather knows of a good place to go across the river. She will work it out with Kathy.

Dinner Banquet - To be held at Kathy's home. with her prior to meeting and she advised she did not need addtional tables, Dan would be able to get chairs from bank. She was also going to speak to his secretary to see if she could get some sort of give away for the This is not crucial as we believe we do have enough for the kits, however, if we could get some pens, She also advised it would be nice for the draw sheets. that her "girls" would do all the serving and kitchen We discussed and agreed that the cost for her girls that evening should come out of the bonspiel fund and she should not bear the cost. Kathy advised that Dan would make up a map and we would include it in the kit. Everyone was in agreement that this would have to be a buffet style dinner. In speaking with Kathy, she advised she would contact her caterer and see what we could get for approximately \$15.00 a person. She indicated that also included the dishes, instead of renting them. of course, realize this will be part of the cost of the entree. Hor'deourves will be light and donated. We will use the club utensils as we have done in the past.

Lunches - Marlene and Jan are in charge of the lunches and also getting additional help from other curlers and associates. There was no deep discussion on this subject but I have to give Marlene and Jan a copy of the draws and times lunch is to be served.

Club Dinner - I passed around the chicken with chipped beef recipe which everyone seemed to respond favorably to, however, that will be completely up to the committee. Carol and Molly are chairing the committee for this dinner with the help of the Candlewicks. Marlene also volunteered to be part of this committee and will work closely with Carol and Molly.

Breakfast - Jean Glus will be in charge of this Committee, however, she was not present at the meeting so the only discussion was to have orange and tomato juice, cakes and coffee, tea, etc. available each morning. Breakfast will commence in accordance with the draws, but appears it will probably be 8:45 a.m. each morning.

Photography & Publicity - Jean is also in charge of this committee and it was agreed that we would only do the team pictures and possibly the winning teams and then mail it to them.

Snacks - Mary Jean Keenan will be in charge of the snacks which we decided would consist of crocks of cheese (refillable) and crackers and, as desired, popcorn. There will also be apples.

Accommodations - Carol Meszaros feels we will get a good deal at Days Inn after all the problems we experienced with them during the Senior Bonspiel. After discussing housing, which was ruled out, and other hotels/motels in the area, it was unanimously agreed that the invitation would state that block of rooms were being held at Days Inn and include a reservation card with the invitation. If desired, they may call Carol or Helenne Kayser to obtain names of other places.

Piper & Scoreboards - Shirley Bruce is in charge of this area and will try to get the piper for less than \$100.00, if not, we will still use him. She will also make up the draw and the boards.

Awards and Trophy -Marcella is in charge of this committee. She will have the trophy/trophies brought up to date. There was some discussion regarding the engraving of such as well as engraving the pins and getting whatever pins were necessary to for the bonspiel. Helenne suggested Carl Dalgos but it was agreed to stay with Wayne, even if it might be a bit more expensive, they felt they knew the quality of Wayne products. Carol to take care of pins. Marcella will purchase champagne for closing presentations.

## NEXT MEETING - Bring up:

- 1. Using placemats along rails at club dinner
- 2. Use of more tables may be cumbersome
- 3. Important to make sure the three "sheet" tables are available for curlers coming off ice, not for diners.

8/9/91 - meeting

Empire State meeting held at Nadja McKay's - 9/13/91

In attendance were:

Nadja McKay Carol Meszaros Shirley Bruce Marcella Hanlon Helenne Kayser

Marita Smith Heather Kenny Jan Conner Mary Jean Keenan Jean Glus

Kathy Mudge

Committee Chairpersons absent:

Marlene Verdes Molly Babcock Jinny Hill - President

Nadja McKay opened the meeting and asked if there were any questions regarding the previous meeting.

Mary Jean Keenan questioned the fact that the dinner N. McKay informed her that she had theater could not be used. called Elmsford and they informed her that January and February were very bad months, especially January, and they definitely would not have any feature presentation in the beginning of the week, nor did they intend to have any special "one night" programs during that period.

N. McKay prepared a letter, under the signature of herself and Carol Meszaros as Co-Chairpersons, to Utica and Schenectady indicating that due to the costs in our area, the entry fee would have to be raised to \$190.00 from \$170.00. suggested, however, that when it returns to Utica next year, if they wish, they may resume the \$170.00 entry fee. In other words, we are letting them know that we hate to always be the ones to raise the entry fee, but no one ever changes it. The letter to Utica and Schenectady was passed around and approved by the committee.

The stationery for this event, designed and produced by Shirley and Archie Bruce, was passed around and everyone expressed their appreciation, once again, to the Bruces for their ingenuity on the computer.

#### Committee Reports:

Invitations - N. McKay passed around and discussed drafts of invitational letter and enclosures. It was agreed that the postcards would go out in early October, with invitations to follow in early November (a week earlier to Canada). Invitation to include welcoming letter, format of events, entry form which would include the brochure to Days Inn as well as the phone number and rate per room, and map to Marcella's home for opening "kit" party. N. McKay gave copy of invitation list to Marcella who will compare with her USCA booklet, make any necessary revisions in names, etc. and send back to N. McKay prior to postcard dispatch.

Welcoming Party - It was decided that enough liquor would be purchased for opening party and carried over to Banquet Night (at Mudges) as these were the only functions where we would provide liquor. Other times, it must be purchased through the club.

Breakfasts - Jean Glus reported that she had no problems with breakfasts after being in charge of the Women's Championship. She knew the routine and it was a very decent draw.

Lunches - Jan Conner questioned the number of people to provide lunch for and it was decided that 70 people would be adequate. N. McKay reported that Molly Babcock would prefer to work with Jan and Marlene Verdes on lunches rather than co-chairing the dinner in the Warm Room for Tuesday night. It was discussed and agreed.

Banquet Dinner - Kathy Mudge reported she did not have any problem with the dinner. She already has chairs available from Dan's bank, theme and decorations in order. After discussion, it was decided to cater for between 70 and 80 people. Kathy to discuss entree with her caterers as chicken casserole to be served the following night in Warm Room. Also decided appetizers would be provided by committee and whoever else would volunteer as this would cut cost. Dessert would be sheet cake rather than again asking members to provide. Kathy will provide map for kits to her house.

Tuesday Night Dinner - Carol Meszaros reported that the dinner would probably be the party chicken casserole. She and Marlene would work together and get their committee together. It was agreed that placemats would be used on tables, along window ledge and dividing ledge. After discussion, it was also agreed that "reserved" signs would be placed on the tables for the curlers during the dinner so that when they get off the ice, there is no question that the tables belong to the curlers coming off the ice and that they would be clean. It was also agreed that the catering would be for approximately 90 people as we hope to have spectators who will be charged for dinner.

**Snacks** - After some discussion as to whether or not we still have the little cheese crocks, it was agreed that onion soup crocks would be used for the cheese spread as it would hold more and would not have to be refilled as often. Nadja McKay to provide 6 crocks to Mary Jean for such use. Mary Jean also to oversee Warm Room coffee contingent.

publicity - Jean Glus agrees that pictures will be forwarded to winning teams after the Bonspiel and not be put into any special holders as they will probably be discarded anyway.

**Decorations** - Kathy Mudge in charge of decorations and reported that everything is under control. On Sunday afternoon, during or after Douglas finals, she, along with committee "helping hands" will decorate mantle and such.

Kits - Shirley is in charge of Kits and will get a group together as necessary. Kathy is looking into possible pens and calendar (or date book) from Bank.

Awards - Marcella Hanlon said there was nothing to report at this time. Carol Meszaros indicated there was nothing to report on the medals at this time but it would be taken care of in time.

Rules - N. McKay informed M. Smith that she would have an updated rules sheet from the World Curling Federation for her review. It was agreed to include this sheet in the kit but also to include some club rules pertaining to the event.

Accommodations - C. Meszaros reported that the Days Inn would give us a block of rooms at \$55.00 per night per room, double occupancy. They will also include a continental breakfast.

H. Kenny and K. Mudge to get together to purchase all paper products for entire bonspiel. Salt and pepper shakers to be checked out at club to see if any are required.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 12:00 noon. It was not determined when the next meeting would occur.

Respectfully submitted,

Nadja C. McKay

Dated: September 17, 1991

#### **AGENDA**

#### MEETING DECEMBER 4, 1991

## Warm Room, 12:00 noon

1. Go over any questions arising from minutes of previous meeting, 9/13/91.

2. Committee Reports:

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Invitations Welcoming Party Breakfasts

Lunches
Banquet Dinner

Club Dinner Snacks Publicity Decorations

Kits Awards Rules

Accommodations

N. McKay

S. Bruce

J. Glus

J. Conner

K. Mudge & H. Kenny

C. Meszaros
M.J. Keenan

J. Glus

K. Mudge

M. Hanlon

M. Smith

H. Kayser or C. Meszaros

5. New business

6. Adjourn

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Empire State meeting held at Ardsley Warm Room - 12/ 4/91 In attendance were:

Nadja McKay Carol Meszaros Shirley Bruce Marcella Hanlon Kathy Mudge

Jinny Hill Heather Kenny Jan Conner Mary Jean Keenan

Committee Chairpersons absent:

Jean Glus Helenne Kayser Marita Smith Marlene Verdes

Nadja McKay opened the meeting and asked if there were any questions regarding the previous meeting. There were none.

All Committees seemed confident that everything was in order and reports then proceeded.

Committee Reports:

Invitations - N. McKay reported that Albany would like to send three teams, however, it was decided that they could send a second team. They would have to have a play-down. Nutmeg thought they could automatically send a second team but were told they could hold a second team as backup.

Welcoming Party - It was reported that everything is pretty well set for Marcella's home. Shirley to call for snacks. There were 4 quiches left from Turkey Trot bonspiel which were donated and N. McKay has in freezer to use.

Breakfasts - Jean Glus was not in attendance but it would appear everything is in order.

Lunches - Jan Conner reported that menus are set and has some of her committee (Conner, Babcock, Patterson) but will request more help. To date the lunches are: Monday, Welsh Rarebit; Tuesday, Lasagna; Wednesday, Sandwiches with whatever is left over.

Banquet Dinner - Kathy Mudge reported everything is under control. Marcella has already purchased wine for the dinner. Kathy to purchase mixers to avoid transporting complications. Kathy advised the meal would be beef bougainaise (spelling - ha!) at \$16.00 per setting. Caterer to supply dishes. Glasses, tables, chairs, etc. all taken care of. Kathy reported maps are done.

Tuesday Night Dinner - Carol Meszaros reported that the dinner is the party chicken casserole. She and Marlene would work together and get their committee together. Carol called upon

Japanese ladies to make desserts. They were very agreeable, however, it was decided if they were to make a quantity of desserts, they would be told they would be reimbursed if they desired.

Snacks - Mary Jean reported she is all set and awaiting cheese crocks from N. McKay. Will work out coffee warm room contingent.

Publicity - Jean Glus - No report

**Decorations** - Kathy Mudge in charge of decorations and reported that everything is under control. On Sunday afternoon, during or after Douglas finals, she, along with committee hands will decorate mantle and such. (This is the same report from 9/13/91 meeting).

Kits - S. Bruce reported everything is in order. N.
McKay to do team roster, daily schedule and rules to be included in
kit.

Awards - Marcella Hanlon said there was nothing to report at this time.

Rules - It was agreed to use the Empire State Rules from the Schenectady report which includes home rules. N. McKay to prepare for kits.

Accommodations - This seems to be taken care of and all entrants seem to be satisfied.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 1:45 noon. It was not determined when the next meeting would occur.

Respectfully submitted,

Nadja (c.) McKay

12/4/91 - meeting

Empire State meeting held at 211 Macy Road, Briarcliff - 1/3/92

In attendance were:

Nadja McKay Carol Meszaros Shirley Bruce Jean Glus Jinny Hill Marita Smith Heather Kenny Jan Conner Mary Jean Keenan Molly Babcock

Committee Chairpersons absent:

Kathy Mudge Helenne Kayser Marcella Hanlon Marlene Verdes

Nadja McKay opened the meeting at 12:45 p.m. and asked if there were any questions regarding the previous meeting. There were none.

Proceeded with Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report - Jean Glus reported there was \$2,725.70 in the Treasury, however, she never received the check from Plainfield team. Nadja had received check, made a copy and thought she had passed it on to Jean with the St. Catharine's check. Jean spoke to P. Andrew who will wait for her statement to come in and they will resolve at that time. Nadja gave Jean two additional checks at the meeting, Ardwicks and Albany II.

Welcoming Party - It was reported that even though Marcella would not be home until the 11th, everything was pretty well set. Shirley discussed glass and napkin supplies with Heather. Shirley, Heather, Jinny and Nadja to provide hor'dourves, plus the quiches. Nadja to call teams to inform them of first draw and inquire as to whether they will attend Welcoming Party.

Breakfasts - Jean Glus reported she has her committee in line - Vanda Ficalora, Jean MacIntosh and Shigeko Yoshida. Breakfasts will begin 9:00 a.m except Wednesday which will be 8:30 a.m. She will speak to Joe re coffee. After discussion, it was decided to have a toaster on the serving table for those who may wish to have toast, or a toasted bagel. Everyone thought it would be a nice change.

Lunches - Jan Conner reported that everything is in order and she is still to speak with Bobby Patterson as to what they actually will do for Wednesday.

Banquet Dinner - Kathy Mudge was absent but it was felt by the Committee that everything was in order. Heather to speak with her to regarding paper supplies, etc. Maps still needed for kits.

Tuesday Night Dinner - Carol Meszaros reported that she and Marlene Verdes were making up all the casseroles. Jinny Hill volunteered to help. Carol also reported that Suad Barghout will help and is making dessert. Other helpers are J. Hill, C. Boss, S. Buchanan, and anyone else on Committee who will attend Tuesday night. After discussion, it was decided to have a sign up sheet in the Warm Room for the dinner. Shirley volunteered Archie's services to make this up. Everyone to encourage spectators to sign up.

Snacks - Mary Jean reported she is set. It was decided in addition to the cheese and crackers to have the nuts and bolts mixture to snack on. Also it was agreed that some apples would be purchased and put out but not continuously.

Publicity - Jean Glus reported we would have publicity and a photographer. She also obtained lovely Westchester Travel Guides - Hudson Valley Region which fits into our Golden Apple Theme and each participant will receive one.

Decorations - Kathy Mudge was absent, however, the finals of the Douglas Bonspiel will take place at noon on Sunday so we should be able to get started on the Warm Room around 4 p.m. Also, Joe Vulpone will probably clean floors, etc. after decorating as it should have no bearing on what we have to do.

Kits - S. Bruce reported she is still waiting for Marlene to obtain little golden apples to stick onto name tags. She will follow up. Also she would like some help in the Warm Room on Thurs. putting them together, if she has the apples. Discussed everything to be included in kits:

4 copies of Draw

4 daily schedules which will include pertinent phone numbers (Jinny to get Dr. Cornell's number for Nadja)

1 copy of rules

4 copies of teams

1 copy of previous winners

Name tags

Map to Kathy Mudge's house

4 Golden Apple travel guides

4 pads and 4 pens

Envelopes for iceman

It was decided to give out the perfume at the banquet dinner

Awards - Marcella Hanlon was absent so there was no report. However, Jinny Hill reported she took out the wooden duckling which she was storing and found that there were some holes in it which appeared to be some sort of rot. She took it to be treated and the problem has been corrected and there was no charge.

Rules and Umpires - Marita Smith will make calls to some of the men to see if they can umpire. Mary Jean said John would and Jinny said Bob would. Umpires will wear tags and change draw cards. If certain parties are unable, then someone on the Committee who is in the warm room will do so. Marita to get candy for ice.

Accommodations - No report necessary.

New Business - It was decided that Jinny Hill would call the club to discuss the use of the back entrance in order to bring in all the food, etc. and to have them make sure the funicular is working.

It was also decided that champagne would be given out to the winners of each event, however, we would purchase it ourselves.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.. It was not determined when the next meeting would occur, but would probably be a finalization meeting after the bonspiel.

Respectfully submitted,

Nadja C. McKay

1/3/92 - meeting