

EMPIRE STATE BONDSPIEL

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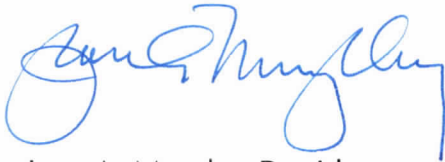
Dear Charlene:

At last, here is the report we promised you! I am sorry that it did not come sooner to you but my new job has been unbelievably demanding the last six months. Please see that I have attached the 1996 & 1997 traveling reports with my report.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call me.

Good Luck and good curling.

Regards,



Jean A. Murphy, President  
Ardsley Curling Club

# 44th Empire State Bospiel Final Report Ardsley Curling Club, Ardsley-on-Hudson

The Ardwicks Curling Club, Ardsley Country Club, Ardsley-on-Hudson, N.Y., were the hosts of the 44th Empire State Bospiel held on January 8-11, 1998. Mary Jean Keenan and Jean Murphy were co-chairmen.

Eighty invitations were sent to all women's clubs throughout the U.S. and Canada (see list) on November 1, 1997 by Jean Murphy seeking invited participants to respond by December 18 to Mary Jean Keenan. Personal invitations were also extended to some Canadian curlers. The applicants were asked to include a check for their team in the amount of \$240.00. Canadian teams were asked to send their money in U.S. funds to save the Ardwicks from incurring any bank charges in the monetary exchange -- New York money changing fees are significant. The reasoning behind the 80 invitations being sent is that we were hoping to attract a few teams from outside the GNCC and our "local" Canadian area to "The Big Apple". Letters of verification of entry were sent to each team that had been accepted to play in the bospiel by Mary Jean Keenan. Requests for later draw times on Friday, January 9, were honored.

All committees were appointed, maps, goodie bags and the draws were all set to go on Thursday evening, January 8. Heather and Brian Kenny graciously lent their house in Ardsley Park for the opening reception. Almost all of the 14 teams attended the social gathering. Heather, Reception Chairman, and her committee served an elegant buffet which included hors d'oeuvres, ham, turkey and many other wonderful dishes. The evening included an open bar of wine, soda and cocktails.

On Friday evening, Mary Jean Keenan arranged for the dinner to be held at the Ardsley Country Club. The dinner was highlighted with a performance by The Hudson Bells. Mary Jean, a long time member of the Ardsley Country Club, also gave an extremely interesting history of the origins of the main building of the Ardsley Country Club during the dinner.

The Saturday dinner was held at the Ardsley Curling Club. This was organized so that all the participants in the bospiel could take some time to chat with other curlers while having a chance to see some great matches being played. Mitzi Wang, Laureen Paul and Pam Siebert provided a wonderful filet mignon dinner.

Arrangements were made for the curlers to stay at four of the local hotels. The Marriott Courtyard in Tarrytown, N.Y. gave us the best rate at \$59.00 per night (their standing rate is usually \$134.00/weekday).

The draw for 14 teams was designed so that every team could play two games on Friday. Only one team had to play back-to-back on Saturday. We had great matches the whole weekend with some scores being closer than others. The Fourth Place Final competition was played at 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning and the First, Second and Third Place Finals were piped on the ice at 1:00 p.m. with a roomful of well wishers applauding the warm room.

Prizes and trophies were displayed by Mary Jean Keenan. Jean Murphy and Mary Jean Keenan presented the trophies at the awards ceremony immediately following the final matches.

44<sup>TH</sup> Empire State Bonspiel  
Chairwomen

Agenda for meeting on January 2, 1998 - 7:15 p.m.  
Warm Room at Ardsley Curling Club

Co-Chairwomen:	Jean Murphy (914) 762-2684 (h) (914) 949-6300 (w)	Mary Jean Keenan (914) 591-7819
Awards & Trophies	Norah Clarke - Engraving - Apple Pins	
Invitations:	Mary Jean Keenan -	
Friday Dinner:	Mary Jean Keenan	
Saturday Dinner:	Mitzie Wang/Laureen Paul/Pam Siebert	
Accommodations:	Jean Murphy	
Opening Party:	Heather Kenny - Habeeb to do Turkey Breast	
Breakfasts:	Friday: Jean MacIntosh Saturday: Jean MacIntosh Sunday: Carl Phares	
Lunches:	Friday: Suad Barghout, Molly Babcock and Jan Connor Saturday: Gail Labrosse - Jean Glus Sunday:	
Snacks:	Terry Crandall - G. U. Crocks of Cheese	
Publicity/Photography -	Jean Glus	
Decorations:	Pam Siebert - Give Pam spray cleaner	
Ice/Candy/Water:	Candy Purchased by Jean - Umpires Distribute	
Umpires:	Ginny & Bob Hill	
Kits:	Jennifer Laurie	Labatts Hats/Shirts, Note Cards, Pencils Magazines, Perfumes, Pin Pockets
Treasurer:	Jean Glus	
Name Tags:	Jean Murphy	
Bartender:	Tom	
Raffle Tickets:	Sarah Murphy	
Toast:	Mary Jean	
Envelopes for Ice Man:	Jean Murphy	
Piper:	Mary Jean/Jean MacIntosh/Mitzi Wang	
Team Cards for Tables:	Jean Murphy	
Lunch/Dinner Cards for Table:	Jean Murphy	



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Lunches:

Menu:

Friday/Suad B./Molly B./Jan C.	Saturday/Gail Labrosse	Sunday/ ?

Dinners

Friday/Laureen Paul	Saturday/Mitzi Wang

Invitations needed for kit

Snacks on tables in warm room: Terry Crandall

Publicity/Photos: Jean Glus

Decorations: Pam Siebert/Joanne Frank

Name Tags: Jean Murphy

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Draw and Board and cards for rinks showing teams: Jean Murphy

Maps: Jean Murphy

Rules/Umpires/Scorekeepers: Ginny and Bob Hill

Favors/Kits: Jennifer Laurie

Accommodations/Transportation: Jean Murphy

Awards and Trophies: Norah Clarke

50/50 Raffle: Liz Murphy

Signs for dinner and Lunch: Jean Murphy

Piper: Larry Cole

Ice Man: Steve Smith

Bartender: Tom Fri/Sat/Sun

Notify club manager of dates and times of draws

44th Empire STATE Bonspiel  
at the Ardusley Curling Club.

First Event Winner

EMPIRE STATE Medal

Duck Trophy

Nutmeg Curling Club, Darien, CT

Team: Diane Muldowney, skip,

PAM BASS, vice skip

TRISH RYAN, second

Jennifer Sparrard, LEAD

First Event Runner up

Duckling Trophy

Broomstones Curling Club, Wayland, MA

Team: Kathy Holewa, skip

Dawn Gutro, vice skip

Judith Cantlin, second

MAGGIE Carlisle, LEAD

Score: 8 to 7

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Second Event winner

Clarke Trophy

Chesapeake Curling Club, Easton, MD

Team: Teresa Welch, skip

Betty DeJung, vice skip

SARAH WELCH, second

Carrie Welch, LEAD



Second Event Runner up

Siebert Trophy

Schenectady Curling Club, Schenectady, N.Y.

Team: Betty Sovik, skip

Dorothy SZYMASZEK, vice skip

Marie Pletnik, second

Evie Blackhall, lead

Score: 8 to 5

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Third Event Winner

Schenectady Stone

ARRWICKS of Ardsley Curling Club,

Ardsley-on-Hudson, N.Y.

TEAM: JEAN Murphy, skip

Alice Yeh, vice skip

Pauline DAVIES, second

SARAH Murphy, LEAD

Third Event Runner up

Schenectady Cup

Schenectady Curling Club,

Schenectady, N.Y.

Team: Dorothy Musgrove, skip

Sally Ward, vice skip

Bunny Allaire, second

Wanda Hilborn, LEAD

Score: 8 to 2

Fourth Event Winner

Durd Brothers' Cup

Utica Curling Club, Whitesboro, NY

Team: Marcia Garber, skip  
Gloria Cappelli, vice skip  
Ginger Zillioux, second  
Marty Jones, LEAD

Fourth Event Runner up

Pringle Sisters' Saucer

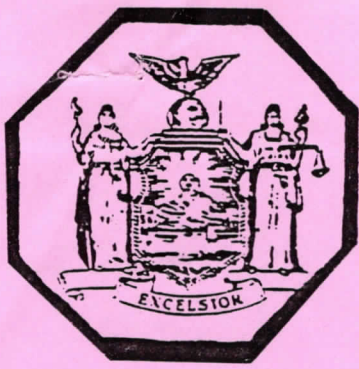
Utica Curling Club, Whitesboro, NY

Team: Joyce Shaffer, skip  
Mickey Haase, vice skip  
Linda Rance, second  
Sue Hilton, LEAD

Score 11 to 6



*An Invitation to the*  
*Empire State Bonspiel*  
*January 8-11, 1998*



# 44<sup>TH</sup> EMPIRE STATE BONSPIEL

January 8 - 11, 1998  
at  
ARDSLEY CURLING CLUB  
ARDSLEY-ON-HUDSON, NY 10503

1996  
UTICA

1997  
SCHENECTADY

1998  
ARDSLEY

January 8, 9, 10 & 11, 1998

**WELCOMING PARTY:**

Thursday, January 8, 1998 - 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

**Empire State Board Meeting at 7:30 pm**

Heather Kenny's Home  
13 Hudson Road East, Irvington, NY 10533 (914) 591-6906

**ENTRIES:**

First 16 teams to send their entry forms and checks will be accepted.

**Entries close December 11, 1997**

**No more steps -- New Walkway!!**

**FOUR EVENTS:**

Winner  
Runner-up

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Runner-up

**First Place**

Ardsley Duck  
Ardsley Ducking

**Third Place**

Schenectady Stone  
Schenectady Cup

**Second Place**

Clarke Trophy  
Siebert Trophy

**Fourth Place**

Hurd Brothers Cup  
Pringle Sister Saucer

**EMPIRE STATE MEDAL:**

**To the winners of the First Event**

**Entry Fee:**

**\$240.00 per team (U.S. Dollars)**

Includes:

Welcoming Party Thursday Evening  
Continental Breakfasts Friday, Saturday and Sunday  
Dinner on Friday and Saturday Evening - Site To be announced

**Lunches are Dutch Treat**



Ardsley Curling Club is a Smoke Free Club

EMPIRE STATE BONSPIEL ANNUAL MEETING

January 8, 1998

Attending: Ardwicks Mary Jean Keenan, Jean Murphy, Marion Cowles  
Schenectady Dorothy Szymaszek, Bette Sovik  
Utica Joyce Shaffer, Marcia Garber

Mary Jean Keenan chaired the meeting, which was held during the opening party of the bonspiel at the home of Heather and Brian Kenny. It began at 7:30

Minutes of the 1/23/97 meeting were reviewed. Joyce Shaffer questioned "Open items #7," saying she is not historian of GNCC nor has she completed a questionnaire on the ESB for GNCC."

St. Catharines - This is the correct spelling.

Empire State Plaque - It is the responsibility of the defending champion to bring the plaque to the next year's bonspiel.

Player Eligibility - It should be noted on future invitations that Empire State participants are expected to be dues paying members of a curling club.

Medals - Robbie Trosset had prepared a progress report for distribution at this meeting (copy attached). Joyce reported that Bastian finally has responded, being told we need the pins NOW! Joyce was told that UPS would deliver them tomorrow.(1/9). Reconvening to decide on options was proposed. (Note: 100 pins did indeed arrive and were divided as follows: 32-Utica, 32-Ardwicks & 36-Schenectady. No need to meet again.)

Entries - We had hoped for 16 but have 14 teams. Conflict with Senior Women's, proximity to holidays and change (from originally publicized) of date were thought to have been factors affecting attendance. Feedback indicates the 3rd weekend in January would be preferable.

Records are to be filed with Marie Pletenik.

Future Host Clubs - 1999 Schenectady  
2000 Utica  
2001 Ardwicks

The meeting was adjourned at 8 pm.

Marion Cowles, Recorder

EVENT WINNERS

1st Event Winner -	Ardwicks Duck -	Nutmeg
Runner Up -	Ardwicks Duckling-	Broomstones
2nd Event Winner -	Clark Trophy -	Chesapeake
Runner Up -	Seibert Trophy -	Schenectady III
3rd Event Winner -	Schenectady Stone -	Ardwicks III
Runner Up -	Schenectady Cup -	Schenectady I
4th Event Winner -	Hurd Brothers Cup -	Utica II
Runner Up -	Pringle Sisters Saucer -	Utica I

## **44<sup>th</sup> Empire State Bonspiel - Team Roster**

### **ALBANY**

Christine Spoth  
Marilyn Hietala  
Phyllis MacMillen  
Mieko Takiguchi

### **ARDWICKS I**

Allison Bankes  
Ann MacMillan  
Patti Burns  
Laureen Paul

### **ARDWICKS II**

Mary Jean Keenan  
Molly Babcock  
Lillie Baggett  
Noriko Whyte

### **ARDWICKS III**

Jean Murphy  
Alice Yeh  
Pauline Davies  
Sarah Murphy

### **BROOMSTONES**

Kathy Holewa  
Dawn Gutro  
Judith Cantlin  
Maggie Carlise

### **CHESAPEAKE**

Teresa Welch  
Betty DeJung  
Sarah Welch  
Carrie Welch

### **NUTMEG**

Diane Muldowney  
Pam Bass  
Trish Ryan  
Jennifer Spannard

### **PHILY-ARD**

Mary Lockhart  
Gail Labrosse  
Sandy Alexander  
Sarah Lee Schneck

### **RICHMOND HILL**

Fran Currie  
Faye Weiss  
Sheila Purvis  
Jean Marchiore  
Marion Cowles

### **SCHENECTADY I**

Dorothy Musgrove  
Sally Ward  
Bunny Allaire  
Ursula Hillborn

### **SCHENECTADY II**

Eleanor Lisuzzo  
Eillen Kelliher  
Dotty Sheehan  
Charlene Fitzgerald

### **SCHENECTADY III**

Bette Sovik  
Dorothy Szymaszer  
Marie Pletnik  
Evie Blackhall

### **UTICA I**

Joyce Shaffer  
Mickey Haase  
Linda Rance  
Sue Hilton

### **UTICA II**

Marcia Garber  
Gloria Cappelli  
Ginger Zillioux  
Marty Jones