

Cooper, Warriner Also Triumph

Brandt, State Champion, Captures Eddison Medal In Ardsley Curling

Ed Brandt says he's played them all — meaning just about all the sports when in high school and Springfield College. And this is the most fascinating and demanding, and something you never master.

But the Ardsley Curling Club skip from Irvington seems to have pretty nicely mastered the ancient art of sliding 43-pound smooth Scotch granite stones 126 feet on ice. At least his record of the past fortnight indicates a skill far better than average.

Brandt won his second curling title in the span on Sunday when he steered Ardsley's No. 1 rink to the Bart Eddison Medal in the climax to his club's fifth invitation bonspiel for the indoor arena on the Ardsley Country Club grounds.

And it took him only 11 ends, one less than prescribed for the championship finale of the three-day convale, to win. The Ardsley-1 quartet routed the No. 1 rink from nearby St. Andrew's, with George Heidelberg of Scarsdale in command, 15-6.

Two weeks earlier at Utica, Brandt and his mates captured the New York State championship, and thereby qualified for the 16th U.S. men's championship at Wilmette, Ill., a Chicago suburb, the week of March 5. Two years ago St. Andrew's and Ardsley co-hosted the U.S. classic.

"We're excited at the prospect of representing the State at Chicago," said Brandt, who is director of market developments for AMF and has been curling since the '50s. In the Utica playdowns, he led his team past Buffalo, Utica and a

St. Andrew's combo piloted by Don McKay of Pleasantville. Brandt won the Eddison lead, Ed Siebert of Irvington at No. 2 and Jim Christie of New City as vice-skip, Don Wismer of Bronxville was vice skip for the first two Eddison matches, then was called away on business. Siebert and Christie moved up and Doonan subbed.

The State title-winning four some, and the one Chicago bonspiel, consists of Siebert, Christie, Wismer and Brandt.

Ken Cooper of Millwood, whose New York Caledonian-2s were dethroned in Friday's opening Eddison round, got some solace when they came back to cop the second night for the St. Andrew's Medal.

IBM World Trade long-range planning exec, was victorious over George Shirk's Ardsley-3s, 17-10, in a 12-end ec. With Cooper were vice-skip Tod Duncanson of Briarcliff, Bill Schlarb of Briarcliff and Jacques Arlet of Hastings, lead. Alex MacKenzie, Joe Curf and Bill Roesing curled with Shirk.

Len Warriner of Ardsley stepped in as skip for Joe Ringland on Ardsley-4 for the third night bid, and won the Nutmeg Jug with a 10-8 verdict over Scott Johns and his Philadelphia sweepsmiths. Warriner, a consulting engineer, had Bob Fidler, Haas-Dauschil and Bob Whitman as rinkmates.

Heidelberg teamed with Bill Hahn, Ken Meyer and Jim McNaughton, got a stone in the first end of the championship but Brandt romped to a 13-1 lead by scoring in the next six ends. He vaulted solidly ahead with back-to-back 4-

stone ends in the fifth and sixth. Chairmat, Lee Heffner presented the awards, which included a "double edged broom" for Harry Thompson. Completion of the bonspiel was made possible because Harry fixed a broken brine pump during Saturday's storm. — BAMBERGER

THE RESULTS

EDDISON MEDAL (Championship)
 Quarterfinals
 Gene Girard, Schenectady 4, Bill Nolan, Ardsley-2, 12-8; George Heidelberg, St. Andrew's-1, d. John Miller, Plainfield, N.J., 12-3; Jack Henderson, N.Y., Caledonian-1, d. Joe Ringland, Ardsley-4, 8-5; Ed Brandt, Ardsley-1, d. Vern Hamby, Plainfield-2, 8-6.
 Semifinals
 Heidelberg-St. Andrew's-1 d. Girard-Schenectady, 8-4; Brandt-Ardsley-1 d. Henderson-Caledonian-1, 12-3 (9 ends).
 Championship (12 ends)
 Brandt-Ardsley-1 d. Heidelberg-St. Andrew's-1 15-6 (11 ends).

ST. ANDREW MED. (2d Competition)

Quarterfinals
 George Shirk, Ardsley-3, d. Scott Johns, Philadelphia, 10-5; Don Dunn, St. Andrew's-2, d. John Walker, Nutmeg-2, of Darien, 11-8; Ken Cooper, N.Y., Caledonian-2, d. Bill Switzer, Mahopac, 12-3 (9 ends).
 Semifinals
 Shirk-Ardsley-3 d. Chuck Owens, Nutmeg-1, 2-9; Cooper-Caledonian-2 d. Dunn-St. Andrew's-2, 9-8.
 Final (12 ends)
 Cooper-Caledonian-2 d. Shirk-Ardsley 3, 17-10.

NUTMEG JUG (3d Competition)

Quarterfinals
 Johns-Philadelphia d. John Collins, Nashua, N.H., 12-11; Switzer-Mahopac d. Walker-Nutmeg 2, 10-7; Nolan-Ardsley 2 d. Miller-Plainfield 1, 12-4; Len Warriner d. skip, Ardsley-4, d. Hamby-Plainfield 2, 12-10.
 Semifinals
 Johns-Philadelphia d. Switzer-Mahopac, 11-4; Warriner-Ardsley-4, d. Nolan-Ardsley 2, 11-5.
 Final (12 ends)
 Warriner-Ardsley-4, d. Johns-Philadelphia, 10-8.