

# DUCK SOUP

Official Newsletter of the Ardsley Curling Club  
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## Pull-the-plug 2024

A big thank you to Yoram Miller for successfully pulling off the pull-the-plug this year. There were 15 teams -- the largest number we've had in several years. We were thrilled that of the over 60 people (including subs) who played, we had a great mix of experienced and new curlers, including one person who played in her first game ever! This event truly is for EVERYONE. It was also nice to see 5 juniors participating, a number we would love to see increase at future in-house events and friendlies.



### First Place: "The Curlers"

Tom Vespo (skip), Tom LeFebvre, Monique and Scott Klares

### Second Place: "Stone Cold"



Vinay Goenka, Robert Goldbloom, Aanya Goenka, Jeff Greenberg (skip)

Heather and David Wadley, Gudron Sablow, Bob Welch skipping for Joe (+Chase Hodgdon)

### Third Place: "Boy Meets Curl"





# Ardsley Junior Bonspiel

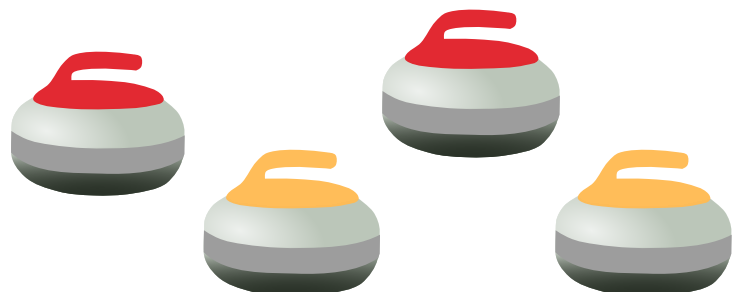


The third annual Ardsley Junior Bonspiel, April 5-7, was a tremendous success. We sold out for the first time and had a full 6 events on Sunday. Congratulations to Team Konitzer. We now have a plaque to celebrate the winners, and each member of this year's winning team was on a winning team from either 2022 or 2023. Please check it out in the warm room in October. We want to thank the parents who helped and especially the ice crew. We could not have done it without you.



Runners-up Team Lappert from Rochester: Matthew Lappert, Owen Majors, Liam Guerin, and Luke Stanch.

First Place winners from Broomstones, Peachtree, and Cape Cod: Dillan Konitzer (skip), Emma Betteridge, Maggie Fitzgerald, and Vivian Bannister.



# League Roundup

## Sunday Juniors

-- *Richard Goodwin*

The Ardsley Junior Program continues to grow. This year we had 28 registered Junior Curlers. It was heartwarming to see the excitement on the kid's faces as they gained skills and grew in confidence on the ice. It was great to have so many parent curlers pitch in to help with instruction and organization. Thanks for your help. The juniors really benefit from small group and individual instruction.

It is with mixed emotions that Colin and I are preparing to pass on the role of Junior Coordinator. Both Jason and Ilya are off to college in September, so we will no longer have children curling at Ardsley. I want to say a special thanks to Colin for his hard work and dedication, as well as his jovial and engaging nature. It was a pleasure running juniors with you and I will always treasure the memories.



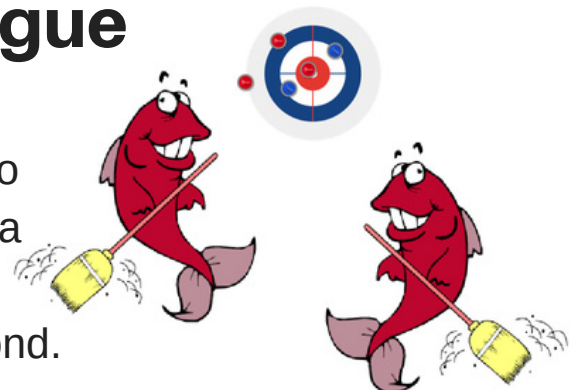
## Tuesday Women

Here are the Tuesday ladies celebrating the end of the curling season.



## Tuesday Doubles: Salmon League

The doubles league is still going strong. Seré Politano and Jim Bilodeau won the league for the third year in a row, but it came down to the last game of the year. Johnny Lusardi and Liz Harmon came in a close second.







# More League Roundup



## Monday - Competitive

**Gold:** Bill Stopera, Martin Sather, Peter Austin, George Austin, Megan Stopera

**Silver:** Matt Gallegos, Sharon Gallegos, Keith Wisbauer, Erin Durba

### Division: A Division

Gallegos, Matthew  
 Stopera, Bill  
 MacKinlay, Catie  
 Spokes, Travis  
 Tufaro, Dan

### Division: B Division

Casper, Jeff  
 Lusardi, John  
 Scheiner, Matthew  
 Rosenbloom, Barry  
 Vespo, Thomas  
 Shalhoub, Mike

## Wednesday - Men

Congratulations to Wells champs.



**Gold:** Skip: Bob Welch  
 Vice: Seth Altman  
 Second: Wade Leon  
 Lead: Robert Goldbloom

**Silver:** Skip: Scott Druskin  
 Vice: Tom Vespo  
 Second: Manuel Rueda  
 Lead: Andrew Hyman

## Thursday - Open

Thursday second half winners:

Skip: Chris Banino  
 Liz Harmon  
 Marylou Banino  
 Frank O'Donovan

## Friday - Fun

Friday second half:

**1st:** Tom Daly, Tristan Wellner, Wade Leon, Kirk Petropoulos, Federico Abella-Rodriguez

**2nd:** Travis Spokes, Jack Glanzer, Vicky Vron, Scott Klares, Tess Belmont

**3rd:** Johnny Lusardi, Demitri Muna, Miles Luo, Mariann McDonnell



# Duck of the Month

## Tufted Duck (*Aythya fuligula*)

These small diving ducks were spotted while curling in Iceland. They each sport a stylish tassel of feathers at the back of the head.



## Ardsey West

Former (and current) members Ken Hsu, Stephanie Lee, Vinay Goenka, Meg and Nathan O'Reilly had to go to the other side of the country to face off at the Granite Curling April Spiel!

### Save the Date:

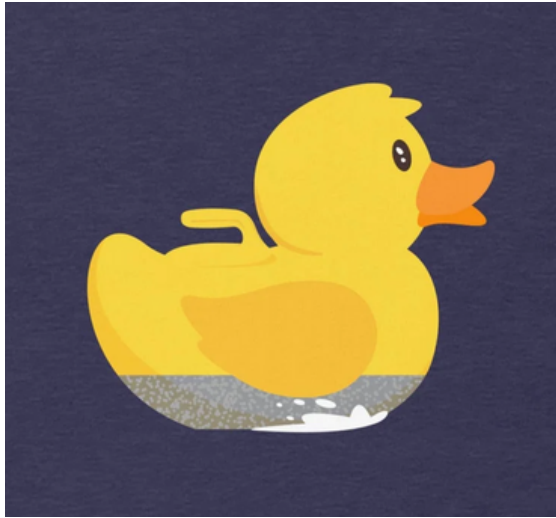
Ardsey Closing Dinner  
Friday, May 3  
Clean-up Day, May 4



That's a wrap. The ice is melted, the equipment will soon be stored away. See you in the fall...



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## Annual Meeting

The annual meeting was held on Sunday, April 14, 2024. Derek said his goodbyes, and Amy will take on the reins as president for the 2024-25 Season.

New officers and board members listed below.

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