

DUCK SOUP #1 2008- 2009 FOR ARDSLEY CLURLERS



As a followup to the great Closing Dinner last May, the **Opening Dinner** for the new season is scheduled for **Friday evening, October 3**. You'll receive details from the Country Club shortly.

The sixth annual Boospiel, our season opening Bonspiel, will be held October 9th., 10th., 11th. and 12th.

Labor Day is gone. You can put away your swim suits, empty the pool, cover the outdoor furniture, and sweep the patio. Unlike the Yankees who havn't swept anything and will have nothing to do in October we do have some sweeping to do and a whole new curling season to start. The first draw will be split between Thurs. and Fri. eves. (If you list your preference we will try to accomodate you.). You will curl twice on Sat., and depending on the results, in the Finals on Sun. The Spiel is open to all Ardsley Curlers both new and experienced. The cost is \$30 per person which includes curling, food and all the fun you can handle.

R.S.V.P. to Sandy Gaffner at acuberk@aol.com as soon as possible so that we can begin putting teams together but definitely no later than Oct.1st.

We could use some volunteers to join our team and give us a helping hand. If you can, just indicate your willingness to help on your R.S.V.P. Dust off those brooms and sliders.

Jim Duke. Boospiel Chair.

ARDSLEY CURLING CLUB





- Come to Our Open House •

Saturday and Sunday, October 4th and 5th from 4:00 to 7:00 pm

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, October 6th, 7th & 8th by appointment

Thursday morning, October 9th by appointment

Men, Women, Seniors, Juniors, Couples and Singles Welcome **No experience necessary.**

Please wear warm loose-fitting clothes and rubber-soled shoes.

For information or to make an appointment call: (718) 831-5672 or visit

www.ardsleycurling.org

need volunteers at the club at all open house times

New members are the lifeblood of the club and our open house week is the time we add most of them. We need volunteers at the club at all open house times to meet and greet our guests and to get them started on the ice. Please contact Mike Greene and Ruth Loomis at mfgreene28@yahoo.com or 718-831-5672 to volunteer your good cheer and talents on the ice.



We will need approximately 15 people for both the Saturday and Sunday times. The Monday - Thursday times are by appointment and we already have signups for Monday and Tuesday! We will need at least 2 volunteers for every 8 guests on those days.

Working at the open house gives you the excuse to get to the club and step on the ice. Get those wobbly deliveries out of your system before the Boospiel.

renewal letters

All of the renewal letters are in the mail so expect to get yours in the next couple of days - Monday at the latest. Contact Mike Greene if there is a change in your situation (e.g., you added or dropped a league listed on your form). Otherwise, simply send your dues check to the Club along with the handy tear-off voucher at the bottom of the letter.

If you have general questions about the process, contact Mike, too.

Goldline Curling equipment suppliers in their new van will come the Saturday of the 'Boospiel'

Goldline in their new van, outfitted as a curling store, will come Saturday 10/11 of the 'Boospiel' Maybe, Goldline will stay a second 1/2 day if needed. Stay tuned for exact details! Curlers can contact <http://www.goldline.ca/> before, if they have specific requests (like those special shoes, Mike has!), mentioning the VAN AT ARDSLEY ON OCTOBER 11th!

CURLING FOR WOMEN

The Ardsley Curling Club pays annual dues to the USWCA (US Women's Curling Association) for each and every female curler in the club, whether or not she curls in a women's league. The women's leagues, Tuesday evenings @ 7:30pm, or Thursday mornings @ 9:30am, are looking for Ardsley women curlers. These draws provide a good opportunity to improve your curling; we welcome questions and can arrange for specialized instruction. If you cannot commit to every week, consider signing up on our sub list. Bring a friend to try curling at the Open House, Oct. 4-5. Please send a note to Nancy Clancy (curlnancy@aol.com) with questions about the women's leagues.



Last year, Jim Gutekunst was president (a four year commitment) of The Quebec International Bonspiel (~70 teams come to Quebec City for a week of curling competition PLUS tons of fun. Other Caledonian and Ardsley curlers that are on Jimmy's team are Steve Smith, Jerry McCarty and Bruce Huffine. Most presidents are Canadian, a few are from the USA and next year the president will be from Switzerland. The Caledonian CC and Ardsley CC congratulate Jimmy. Here he is with the US Ambassador to Canada, Mr. Wilkins and the US Consul General in Quebec, Dave Fetter.



NY Caledonian rink was the defending champion on Cape Cod

A New York Caledonian rink composed of George Austin (skip) , Dennis Mellerup, Jim Parsons (from Canadian Club of Boston) and Bill Malgieri went 4 and 1 in the Cape Cod Men's Summerspiel in July and finished runnerup to Bob Devine's rink from Canada on Bob's last rock in a rematch of the 2007 final--the NY Caledonian rink was the defending champion on Cape Cod but this year absent Peter Austin who with his wife delivered a baby boy on July 17th--Jim Parsons curled very well as a substitute for Peter--as well as fine curling and good lobster, this is a great family atmosphere.

Also-- A New York Caledonian rink composed of George Austin (skip) , Nancy Clancy , John Dorff , and Julie Everett went 4 and 0 in the Cape Cod Mixed Summerspiel in July and won the 2nd event-- this spiel is points based and the NY Caledonian rink narrowly missed (by less than 1 point) playing in the 1st event final--along the way, they defeated Rochester, Welland , St. Catherine's , and Cornwall the latter a rink skipped by Peter Tropea , a past champion-- Julie joined this traditional rink in her 2nd year of curling and had the added benefit of enjoying the experience with her daughter before she goes off to college in Kingston at Queens-- this spiel remains very popular and is now up to 36 rinks.



UNSUNG HERO Jesse Wang! He is 81 this year!!

You all probably know how Jesse just quietly fixes things and despite his age and handicap walking often takes things to his friend 'The Furniture Doctor', Harry Lennon. He will get the 'golf-drink cart'. and take it down the hill to pickup and drop off the items to be fixed! Many Happy Returns to come!

We are sad to report that **Jacques lost his battle against the ravages of pancreatic cancer** in a hospital in Wilmington, NC. He was surrounded by his family and did not suffer. A memorial service for Jacques was held at 3:30 pm on Sunday, August 24, 2008 at Greenville Community Church, 270 Ardsley Road, Scarsdale, NY, followed by a reception. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to www.kidneyurology.org (who helped to give Jacques 12 great years with a transplanted kidney) or www.pancan.org (to help find a cure for this miserable disease).. We appreciate everyone's thoughts and prayers.

Love,
Sharon and the Jacquet family

Key Dates/Events

Sept. 27	Set-Up Day
Oct 3rd	Opening Dinner
Oct. 4&5	Open House
Oct 6,7,8	Evening Open House Video Training
Oct. 9	Boospiel Begins
Oct 11,12	Boospiel resumes...
Oct 13	Leagues Commence
Oct 17	FIRST DAY OF FRIDAY MORNING R.O.M.E.O. MENS CURLING...JOIN US

**And stay for LUNCH at the
Country Club!**

Nov 27	Thanksgiving
Nov 28,29,30	Turkey Trot
Dec 14	Christmas Party (tentative)
Jan 1 Brooms (tentative)	B-Cubed: Brunch, Bloodies and
Jan 3,4	Cool Duck
	Archie Bruce Friendly (at Cape Cod)
Jan 8-11	Olympic Trial Ladies Regional Qualifier
Jan 16-18	Headless Horseman
Jan 19	Martin Luther King observance



Jan 31	Nutty Duck (Nutmeg friendly, @Ardsley)
Feb 1	Little Rocker Bonspiel
Feb 16	Presidents Day
Feb 26-Mar 1	McKay Douglas Int'l Bonspiel
Mar 12-15	GNCC Women's Challenge (Ladies' 5yr and under)
Apr 3-5	Pull the Plug
Apr 8-12	Passover, Good Friday, Easter

Note, due to changes in the billing at the Country Club, Duck Soup **WILL NO LONGER BE MAILED, it will be available on the website. If you have friends who would rather read it, please print it off and send it to them! Thanks!** Next Issue of DUCK SOUP Late October! Ted_pitt@msn.com

