

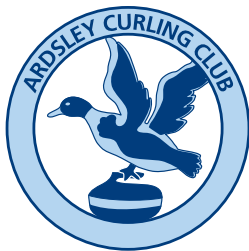


Official Newsletter of the Ardsley Curling Club

DUCK SOUP

May 2012

"All the News That Fits"



North Mountain Drive
Ardsley, NY 10502

calendar notes

Upcoming events:

Ardsley CC Summer Picnic
Volunteers Needed
Planning for the
beginning of August

Lighthouse Beach Spiel (open)
Sat., June 16
Coastal Carolina Curling Club

GNCC Arena Club
Championship (open)
Fri., June 22 - Sun., June 24
Woodstock Curling Club

Tropicurl (open)
Thurs., July 05 - Sun., July 08
Pittsburgh Curling Club

Cape Cod Mixed Summerspiel
Thurs., July 12 - Sun., July 15
Cape Cod Curling Club

A complete calendar of GNCC
events is available at gncc.org

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2012 Men's Worlds Championship



To the winner of the USCA Men's Nationals go the spoils. This includes a trip to Switzerland to compete in the Men's World Championship, held the end of March. Unless you were living under a rock you know that they finished strong. Despite dropping some early games they won some big ones down the stretch to finish 8th

out of 12. The placement at Worlds is very important. Only 10 countries are selected to compete in the Olympics. The host country gets an automatic bid, leaving 9 more slots to fill. The 7 countries that earn the most combined points at this past event and next year's World Championships earn a trip to the next Olympic Games. The last two teams make it by qualifying at a separate qualifying tournament. By finishing 8th, Men's Team USA is in striking distance of qualifying through total points. Our Women's Team are currently running 5th.

Other spoils for our winners include a guaranteed trip to the US Olympic Trials and significant financial backing by the USCA to continue competing during the following season. Let's all hope Heath McCormick, Bill Stopera, Martin Sather, and Dean Gemmill continue their successful run next year.



2012 U.S. Mixed National Championship

Joyance Meechai played vice as part of Team Maryland during the USCA Mixed National Championships. Skipped by Scott Edie and fronted by Rebecca Baxter Erickson and Sean Murray, the team got off to a slow start but finished strong. They ended up in the middle of the pack with a big win against Team Minnesota. They were close in so many other matches. Despite the 80 degree weather in Portage, WI, the ice somehow held up. The team had a great time, and it turns out it is possible to get drive through popcorn! Judging from her competitive spirit, I'm sure we'll see Joyance back soon.



SKIP - Scott Edie, Third - Joyance Meechai, Second - Sean Murray
and Lead - Rebecca Baxter Erickson

Closing Dinner

After the last of the awards were handed out and the familiar bars of Auld Lang Syne were sung, we were left saying goodbye to another year of curling. We are reminded how much this game has contributed to our lives through good competition and lasting friendships. Here are the award winners (they will have targets on their back next year, except for the Furline guys).

Monday Night

Thorndike Medal Winners

Champion

Gert Messing
Greg Poole
Mike Murphy
Chris Banino

Runner-up

Martin Sather
Andrew Stopera
Bill Pekowitz
Tom Doherty

Little "t" Medal Winners

Champion

Jeff Lesuk
Robin Gestring
Catie McKinley
Scott Silverman
Alice Yeh
Matt Gallegos

Runner-up

Jon Peter
David Schruhl
Jeff Klein
David Wagenheim

Tuesday Night

Buddy System

Front End

Sharon Gallegos • Jen Stein
Karen Luckey • Ivelisse Hornyak

Back End

Sandy Gaffner • Lyn Greaves
Alison Bankes • Dolores Redding

MacIntosh

Gold Medal

Taylor Block
Pam Politano
Barbara Gabhart
Ivelisse Hornyak

Silver Medal

Sharon Gallegos
Nancy Clancy
Heather Morrison
Liz O'Loughlin

All American

Pam Politano
Dolores Redding
Lyn Greaves

Karen Casper
Liz O'Loughlin

Wells Wick Winners

Gold Medal

Sandy Gaffner
Mieko Takiguchi
Karen Luckey
Laura Hill

Silver Medal

Nancy Clancy
Dolores Redding
Barbara Gabhart
Lori Murray

Wednesday Night

Blanton Winners

Gold Medal

Mike Greene
George Austin
Geoff Broadhurst
Andrew Ness

Silver Medal

Andy Eaton
Jon Peter
Heinz Gruettner
Jordan Becker

Wells Winners

Gold Medal

Matt Gallegos
Gert Messing
Heinz Gruettner
Pete Westrell

Silver Medal

Jon Peter
Steve Hess
Ray Conley
Anthony Huebner
Geoff Broadhurst

Furline Winners

Chris Banino
Ray Ullmer
Joe Panella

Bob Baensch
Rich Chebetar

Thursday Morning

Junior Skips – Macintosh Pin

Gold Medal

Nicole Zabour
Pauline Davies
Barbara Gabhart
Pippa Broadhurst

Silver Medal

Taylor Block
Alison Bankes
Karen Luckey
Jean Macintosh

Wells Wick

Gold Medal

Diane Muldowney
Pat Riedel
Barbara Wilk
Kris Liddle

Silver Medal

Alison Bankes
Taylor Block
Barb Gabhart
Marion Cowles

All American

Diane Muldowney
Alison Bankes

Barbara Wilk
Pippa Broadhurst

Thursday Night

First Half Winners

First Place

Ed Andrews
Andy Eaton
Ann Dondlinger
Laura Hill
Alex Zic

Second Place

Julie Everett
John Salmon
Jesse Sneddon
Diana Borgia
Mark Everett

Third Place

Mike Shalhoub
Gail Boggio
Jim Borgia
Suki Miyamoto

Second Half Winners

First Place

Tim Klein
Mike Spensieri
Ann Dondlinger
Doug Hill
Anthony Galiani

Second Place

Ed Andrews
Jesse Sneddon
Darell Seife
Judith Kelson
Alex Zic

Third Place

Mike Shalhoub
Andy Eaton
Curt Pader
Leslie Avendano
Barry Rosenbloom

Friday Night

Session 1

Isa Barghout
Ken Hsu
Stephanie Lee
Norma Hunter

Session 2

Mark Bussy
Joe Redding
Dolores Redding
Brielle Montgomery
Michael Baxter

Session 3 (three-way tie)

Isa Barghout	Ed Andrews	Ken Hsu
Andy Ness	Tom Wilk	Robin Gestring
Brielle Montgomery	Kevin Greaves	Jan Zahour
Michael Baxter	Tamiko Tanii	Stephanie Lee
Barry Rosenbloom	Christine Lally	

Saturday Morning

Ed Godbold Medal

Gold Medal

Rob Brantman
Wade Leon
Jesse Leon
Bill Stopera
Jonathan Newmark

Silver Medal

Mike Murray
Carleton Cleveland
Mieko Takiguchi
Pat Riedel
John Dorff

Sunday Morning

Jug Ogden Junior Skips

Yushi Yang
Lynn Salmon
John Salmon
Karen Luckey



Left to Right: Gina Lewis (joined 1984), Jean MacIntosh, June Perry (joined 1982). All three ladies were 'Pond Hoppers', meaning they went every year to the Worlds with their spouses on whichever side of the Atlantic it was held.

Jean MacIntosh Honored

Pippa Broadhurst

March saw Jean MacIntosh honored at a yearly international curling bonspiel in Canada. Jean and several other ladies have attended this bonspiel for many of the 45 years it has been held. Jean, who is 92, has been attending since 1980. Jean curls with us who are lucky enough to curl Thursday morning. She is still winning some of those annual Ardsley medals. Over the years, Jean has brought Ardsley many new members. Jean goes out of her way to greet new residents in her neighborhood. I am told that she always offers to bring them to Ardsley to see curling. Sometimes Jean's persuasiveness earns Ardsley new members.



Ardwicks Hold Election

Ardwicks have elected Melissa Dominguez as their new president. Congratulations! Melissa would like to welcome suggestions from fellow Ardwick members moving forward.

Board Elections

2012-13 Officers

Tom Doherty
President

Bill Pekowitz
Vice President

Tim Klein
Treasurer

Mark Bussy
Secretary

A big congratulations to Vic Huebner for surviving his tenure as president of the Ardsley Curling Club. The next president was handed the gavel at the Closing Dinner. It is Tom Doherty. Vice President is now Bill Pekowitz. In addition Matt Scheiner and Jeff Casper are newly elected to the Board. We wish Tom and his team the best of luck moving forward.

BURNSPIEL/Pull the Plug

1st Event Winner

Clan: *Gang Aft Agley*

Dave Schrull
Julie Everett
Susan Lapham
Mark Everett

1st Event Runner Up

Clan: *Campbell*

Pam Politano
Matt Gallegos
Sharon Gallegos
Jennifer Stein

2nd Event Winner

Clan: *Armstrong*

Ed Andrews
Sandy Gafner
Anthony Huebner
Jan Zahour

2nd Event Runner Up

Clan: *Ferguson*

Joe Redding
Tom Wilk
Dolores Redding
Barbara Wilk

3rd Event Winner

Clan: *Douglas*

Pete McCuen
Matt Scheiner
Will Pryor
Barbara Gabbhart

3rd Event Runner Up

Clan: *MacKinlay*

Catie MacKinlay
James Skoufis
Ray Conley
Jonathan Collarusso

Notes from the Editor

Thanks once again to the myriad of people who supported *Duck Soup* this past season. It's always important to have an historical record of what is going on in our club and it always helps to have pictures. Thanks in particular to those that submitted pictures to this year's newsletters. Pictures make the newsletter stand out and be something fun to review after so many years. Speaking of historical records, thanks to Bob Hill for making prior newsletters available. We'll have to pick through them. Here is just a handful of helpers this year: Terry

Kolesar, Barb Gabbhart, Kim Nawyn, Andy Eaton, Joyance Meechai, Bill Stopera, Pippa Broadhurst, Geoff Broadhurst, Dick Macartney, Matt Scheiner, David Wagenheim, George Austin, Bob Kennedy, Pete McCuen, Vic Huebner, Tom Doherty, Alison Bankes, Nancy Clancy, Bunky Harmon, Jim McGinnis, Ed Andrews, Jerry McCarty, Mike Murphy, Karen Luckey, Star Childs, Tim Klein, Mike Green, Jon Peter, Greg Poole, Chris Banino, Dave Schrull, Kris Liddle, Julie Everett, Sharon Gallegos, Matt Gallegos, Mike Spensieri, Nathan

Van Auken, all the League Runners, and to my wife Karen Casper, who gave me the eye roll when I asked, yet brought her camera anyway. You've all contributed to make this newsletter OK along with many others, either through submissions, pictures, encouragement, help, critiquing, something. I made some mistakes to be sure, but I'll keep trying to do better.

Finally, we would be nowhere, and I mean nowhere, without Joe Panella. He's the man, the myth, and the legend (in his own mind). Thank you my friend for stepping up.

THE NUTTY DUCK 2012

Ed Andrews

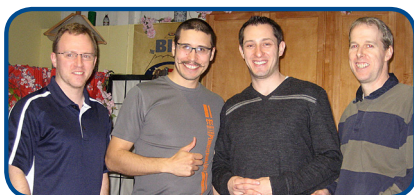
Twelve enthusiastic curlers travelled to the Nutmeg Curling Club, on March 24, to defend the Nutty Duck plaque, which the Ardsley Curling Club won last year for the first time. This annual event was started in 2008 and play rotates between clubs each year.

Results from the morning games were encouraging with Ardsley teams winning 2 of the 3 games. This gave us an 8 point advantage (34 to 26). However, circumstances changed in the afternoon games. Nutmeg

produced a fresh slate of teams with some very experienced curlers. Consequently, Nutmeg won all 3 games. The final score was Nutmeg 69, Ardsley 48. On a positive note, we cleaned up in both dice games with Andy Ness and Tim Klein leaving with bulging pockets of \$1 bills. There was a price to be paid for humbling the Ardsley teams on the ice. Next year, we will be prepared with 6 teams to reclaim the Nutty Duck when the Nutmeg curlers pay us a return visit, in March 2013.

2012 Cherry Blossom Bonspiel

TEAM NOBLE



1st Event Runner-Up

Dave Wagenheim, Matt Gallegos, Dan Tufaro, John Noble (skip)

TEAM KLEIN



3rd Event Runner-Up

Mike Spensieri, Andy Eaton, Joe Panella, Ken Hsu, Jeff Klein (skip)

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