

## Western Croquet Championship Contested in Kirkland

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The 2016 croquet championship of western America will be held in Kirkland, Washington, on August 4-7. The finals start at 8:00 AM on Sunday, August 7th. Come out anytime that week to see the action, and enjoy the fun, at a beautiful northwest venue.

Top croquet players from 14 western states and Canada will compete for this regional title. Last year the singles championship was won by Jim Bast of Texas, and the doubles championship by the father-son team of Jim and Tim Hanks of California.

The event takes place on two championship croquet lawns at the Puget Sound Croquet Club on Rosehill (10229 - 136th Avenue NE). It is sanctioned by the United States Croquet Association.

The modern sport of croquet is as fun as backyard croquet, but it is much more challenging. The lawn is like a putting green, and is 35 yards long. The wickets are cast iron, and only 1/16 of an inch wider than the ball. It is so strategic that it is often called chess on grass.

This tournament is a wonderful chance to see croquet played at its best. Don't miss it.

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Additional Resources:

United States Croquet Association: [www.CroquetAmerican.com](http://www.CroquetAmerican.com)

Puget Sound Croquet Club: [www.PugetSoundCroquet.com](http://www.PugetSoundCroquet.com)

2015 Western Regional Championship:  
[www.croquetamerica.com/news/tournaments/2015/WesternRegionalChampionship\(AC\).pdf](http://www.croquetamerica.com/news/tournaments/2015/WesternRegionalChampionship(AC).pdf)

Take a Look at Croquet (video): [www.croquetamerica.com/croquet/new/](http://www.croquetamerica.com/croquet/new/)

Introduction to Croquet: [www.croquetamerica.com/croquet/introduction/](http://www.croquetamerica.com/croquet/introduction/)

Croquet History: [www.croquetamerica.com/croquet/history/](http://www.croquetamerica.com/croquet/history/)