

THE MAR-A-LAGO CLUB SINGLES INVITATIONAL

March 29-31, 2012

The 13th Annual Mar-a-Lago Club Singles Invitational was once again blessed with beautiful weather. Nineteen players were in attendance and competed within two Flights. Matches were timed at one hour and fifteen minutes, double banking was prevalent until the Finals and the top four finishers in each Flight moved to a single elimination ladder after two days of qualification play. The two Mar-a-Lago lawns were in phenomenal shape and may have never looked better.

In the Championship Flight, pre-tournament favorite, Larry McDermott, lived up to expectations in his smooth and controlled victory (17-7) over the flamboyant Patricia Duncan. Robin Sweet and Mar-a-Lago Member George Mathys finished Third. In the First Flight, Carla Rueck went undefeated throughout the event and captured the title with a 16-12 win over the promising Richard Scherf. Warren Phillips, undefeated until the Playoffs, shared Third Place honors with Mary Anne Mathys.

As always, the Mar-a-Lago hospitality was the big star, and far one must look to find a more beautiful and tranquil venue for any croquet event. While competitive throughout, the relaxing atmosphere, topped off with the renowned cuisine, left all competitors smiling throughout...win or lose. The Mar-a-Lago Club looks forward to seeing all it's honored guests for the Singles and Doubles Invitationals next season.

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

1. Larry McDermott
2. Patricia Duncan
3. George Mathys
3. Robin Sweet
5. Gerald Shugar
6. Ron Atkins
7. Howard Zipper
7. Susan Zipper

FIRST FLIGHT

1. Carla Rueck
2. Richard Scherf
3. Mary Anne Mathys
3. Warren Phillips
5. Dona Nenner
5. Stephanie Hayes
5. Mary Shields

5. Mary Robb
9. Hildegard Jones
10. Lisa Brown
11. Rosemary Faulconer

-John C. Osborn
Mar-a-Lago Director of Croquet