

**Northeast Regional Tournament
Lenox Croquet Club, Lenox Massachusetts
August 23 to 26, 2012**

The tournament began with an opening reception hosted by Bob and Joan Comeau high in the Berkshires where old friends and new faces mingled. Blocks began the next day and featured dominant play in all blocks. Pat Colt and Antonia Marmo went undefeated in doubles to claim the winner's spot, while David McCoy and Jane Osgood edged out David Ekstrom and Peter Wood on net points to take runner-up.

In first flight, Lloyd Hadden played without a loss to wrap up the number one seed in ladder play, where he met and defeated Ted Hilles 13 to 11, setting up a final against John Woodside who had won a close match against Antonia Marmo. There Lloyd's run ended with an 11 to 16 loss.

In Championship flight, David Ekstrom (5-0), met and defeated Jim Turner, as he had nearly everyone in previous block match play by close to double digits, 16 to 7. This earned him a final against Vincent Marmo, his closest contest in the blocks, who had edged out John Schott 13 to 11 to gain the final match.

The final started off as David failed to score wicket 1. After a series of ball positionings Vincent scored wicket 2 and set up partner there. Blue entered the game and missed a long roquet on both red and yellow. Red missed a roquet on yellow and went out of bounds. Black cleared wicket 1 and roqueted blue and yellow to score wicket 2. Black roqueted blue and yellow for wicket 3, but failed to score. This set the tone of the finals match. Missed wickets and roquets. Desperate and long wicket shots.

With seconds left to play, behind two wickets, and for wicket 5, David Ekstrom hit in with black on blue near the stake, took off to roquet Vincent Marmo's yellow ball through one back, clearing himself in the process. After time-out to resolve deadness questions, black took off from yellow and scored wicket 5 and 6, leaving blue in position there. Black missed a roquet on yellow and ended out of bounds. Yellow roqueted blue out of position and retired to the black corner. Vincent won the match by two wickets and the Northeast Regional tournament.

Following the finals, all were treated to a golf croquet demonstration by David McCoy and Sherif Abdelwahab.

John Woodside, TD

Championship Singles

1. Vincent Marmo
2. David Ekstrom
3. John Schott
4. James Turner
5. David McCoy
6. Pat Colt

First Flight Singles

1. John Woodside
2. Lloyd Hadden
3. Antonia Marmo
4. Ted Hilles
5. Martha Ekstrom
6. Richard Scherf
7. Jane Osgood
8. Peter Wood

Doubles

1. Antonia Marmo & Pat Colt
2. Jane Osgood & David McCoy
3. Peter Wood & David Ekstrom
4. Ted Hilles & John Schott
5. Richard Scherf & James Turner
6. Vincent Marmo & Nancy Fremont
7. John Woodside & Martha Ekstrom

Antonia Marmo, John Woodside



Lloyd Hadden, John Woodside



David Ekstrom, Vincent Marmo



Back row: Peter Wood, Vincent Marmo, John Schott, Jim Turner, Ted Hilles, Jane Osgood
Front row: David Ekstrom, Martha Ekstrom, Nancy Fremont, Antonia Marmo, Pat Colt, John Woodside, David McCoy



David McCoy, Jane Osgood

