

**USCA Western Regional Championship**  
**Puget Sound Croquet Club**  
**Kirkland, Washington**  
**August 4-7 2016**

Twelve Players entered the 2016 Western Region Championship at the scenic Puget Sound Croquet Club lawns in Kirkland, Washington. The weather was perfect, with temperatures in the mid 70's each day and only a very few light rain drops for the entire week. Seattle was celebrating their Seafarer's week so the metro area was alive with activities and Blue Angel overflights to spice up the weekend. It was a pleasure to return the Western Regional to the historic Puget Sound courts which have seen many important championships and croquet players over the last 25+ years.

Doubles: The original intent was to have a full championship flight and a full first flight with both flights having a doubles and singles championship. As it turned out, we had 12 strong players entered that all could compete and win the championship. As a result we decided to play a complete round robin (6 teams) in doubles with the top three finishers earning championship flight trophies (for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>) and the 4-6 finishers earning the three places in the first flight.

**Doubles Results:**

**Championship Flight**

1. Brian Wasylyk & Michael McQuire
2. Pierre Dunn & Michael Dowling
3. Jim Hanks & Richard Sheely

**First Flight**

1. Jim Butts & Patrick Sweeney
2. Cameron Evans & Nicholas Gray
3. Gary Anderson & Cameron Guernsey

Singles: With 12 players, the players were divided into 2 blocks, Block A & Block B. The top 3 finishers in each block advanced to the championship knockout round. The 4-6 finishers in each block advanced to the first flight knockout round.

**Block Results:**

**Block A**

1. Jim Hanks
2. Gary Anderson
3. Cameron Evans
4. Brian Wasylyk
5. Michael McGuire
6. Patrick Sweeney

**Block B**

1. Richard Sheely
2. Pierre Dunn
3. Jim Butts
4. Michael Dowling
5. Nicholas Gray
6. Cameron Guernsey

**Championship Knockout**

Jim Hanks					
Bye		Jim Hanks	26		
Pierre Dunn	9	Cameron Evans	10		
Cameron Evans	26			Jim Hanks	17 26 25
Gary Anderson	11			Jim Butts	18 16 9
Jim Butts	26	Jim Butts	23		
Bye		Richard Sheely	22		
Richard Sheely					

**First Flight Knockout**

Brian Wasylyk					
Bye		Brian Wasylyk	19		
Nicholas Gray	26	Nicholas Gray	18		
Patrick Sweeney	13			Brian Wasylyk	26 16 24
Michael McGuire	26			Michael McGuire	8 17 26
Cameron Guernsey	9	Michael McGuire	26		
Bye		Michael Dowling	22		
Michael Dowling					

The results are above: Winners of the blocks had a bye into the semi's. The finals were best 2 of 3 and both finals went all 3 games. An extremely competitive and fun 4 days of croquet!!



Jim Hanks (Western Region Champion) & Jim Butts (Western Region Runner-up)  
Gary Anderson (Center) Tournament Manager



Mike McGuire(Middle Right, First Flight Singles Champion and Champion Flight Doubles Winner)  
Brian Wasyluk (Middle Left, First Flight Singles Runner-Up and Champion Flight Doubles Winner)  
Jim Hanks (Right, Tournament Director)  
Gary Anderson (Left, Tournament Manager)