

## 2017 ROCKFISH CROQUET TOURNAMENT

June 14-18, 2017 - Chesapeake Bay Croquet Club, Hartfield, VA

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### 6-W CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT SINGLES

1 Richard Watson  
2 John Curington  
3 Macey White  
3 Rick Darnell  
5 Doug Nagel  
5 Rodney Lassiter  
7 John Priest  
8 Lee Jorde  
9 Jeff Morrison  
10 Claiborne Minor

### 6-W CHAMPIONSHIP WATERFORD DOUBLES

1 Lee Jorde  
1 Jeff Morrison  
2 Joanie O'Brien  
2 Rick Darnell  
3 Rodney Lassiter  
4 Karin Karel  
5 Pedro Rivera  
6 John Priest  
7 Martin Karel  
8 Michael Sumrall  
9 Robin Horigan  
10 John McGowan

### 6-W 1st FLIGHT SINGLES

1 Martin Karel  
2 Robin Horigan  
3 Pedro Rivera  
3 Karin Karel  
5 Michael Sumrall  
5 Joanie O'Brien  
7 John McGowan



### Golf Croquet (GC) Championship Flight Singles

1st Jochen Lucke  
2nd Cheryl Bromley  
3rd Bo Prillaman  
3rd Adrienne Lucke

### Golf Croquet (GC) Championship Flight Doubles

1st Cheryl Bromley & John Curington  
2nd Adrienne Lucke & Jochen Lucke  
3rd Terry Hunt & Richard Watson  
3rd Shirley Hunt & Jan Paul Hope  
5th Field Boatwright  
5th George Fiegel  
5th John Boatwright  
5th Wendy Hope  
5th Judith Fiegel  
5th Bo Prillaman  
5th Robert Stevens

### GC 1st Flight Singles 1st Field Boatwright

2nd John Boatwright  
3rd Robert Stevens  
3rd George Fiegel  
5th Terry Hunt  
5th Judie Fiegel  
5th Shirley Hunt



Robin Horigan plans her attack against her opponent in the 2017 Rockfish Croquet Tournament held at the Chesapeake Bay Croquet Club

The 2017 Rockfish Tournament was held June 14 -18, at the Chesapeake Bay Croquet Club (CBCC) in Hartfield, Virginia. This tournament included events for 6 Wicket and Golf Croquet with singles and Waterford doubles in both. CBCC has eight regulation croquet courts so there was no double banking.

Thirty players from six states (Delaware, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Wisconsin) participated in the various formats.

Many of the Golf Croquet (GC) players did not have ratings so all GC players were split into two equal blocks. At the end of round robin play, the top 2 finishers from each block went to a Championship Flight ladder and the rest went to a 1st Flight ladder. In Championship Flight, Bo Prillaman and Adrienne Lucke tied for 3rd place and Jochen Lucke edged out Cheryl Bromley in a tight finish in the championship game. In 1st Flight finals, Field Boatwright defeated her husband John Boatwright. Bob Stevens and George Fiegel tied for 3rd and Terry Hunt, Judie Fiegel and Shirley Hunt tied for 5th.

All GC players and a few 6-Wicket players played in the GC high-low Waterford Doubles event. The top eight players in doubles were paired up for the single elimination playoffs. The team of Cheryl Bromley (from Wisconsin) and John Curington (from Florida) won the Championship in the Golf Croquet Doubles by defeating the team of Jochen & Adrienne Lucke (from Cashiers, NC) by a score of 7 to 5.

In the 6-Wicket events 10 players with handicaps 7 through -0.5 were in championship flight. 1st flight had 7 players with handicaps from 13 to 15. Players in 1st flight were coached during round robin play by the championship flight players. This coaching event was a great learning experience for many of the higher handicap players.

In 6-Wicket 1st Flight action, new-comer Pedro Rivera (from Gloucester, VA) went undefeated in the round robin only to lose a close battle in his semifinal game to Marty Karel (from Wilmington, DE). In the other semi, Robin Horigan (from Pinehurst) defeated Karin Karel (from Wilmington, DE). Marty Karel came out on top in the final game against Robin Horigan to win his first ever 1st place trophy.

In 6-Wicket Championship Flight action, Macey White went undefeated in the round robin only to lose to Rich Watson (from Aiken, SC) in the semi-finals who came from behind by scoring eight points in his next to last turn. In the other semi, John Curington (from Ponte Vedra, FL) defeated local player Rick Darnell. The final game in Championship flight was close all the way and Rich Watson edged out a hard-fought victory.

In 6-Wicket Waterford Doubles, Jeff Morrison (from Deerfield Beach, FL) and Lee Jorde (from Fairfax, VA) took top honors defeating Joanie O'Brien (from Pinehurst, NC) and Rick Darnell.

The Chesapeake Bay Croquet Club went all out to make this the best experience possible for all players and guests. With eight courts, there was no double banking. Courtside lunch and full country breakfast were served every day. Courtside grill dinner on practice day, a grand buffet featuring steamed crabs, and southern style favorites Friday night and prime rib with crab stuffed flounder for Saturday night. No one went home hungry. CBCC sponsored clinics on fundamentals, strategy and tournament play on Wednesday and Cheryl Bromley gave a Golf Croquet Referee clinic on the same day.

CBCC is hosting two more tournaments this year:

Sep 13-17 - Blue Crab - American 6 Wicket, singles and Waterford Doubles

Oct 11-15 - Big Oyster - Association Croquet and Golf Croquet, singles and Waterford Doubles.

Players can choose to play golf croquet 6-wicket or both and any combination of singles or doubles in both.

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