

**SARASOTA COUNTY CROQUET CLUB
SINGLES AND DOUBLES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS
FEBRUARY 17-19 and MARCH 16-18 & 21-23, 2012**

The SCCC held its eighth annual club singles and doubles championships with sixty-four members competing, some in both events, while some played either singles or doubles only. The weather co-operated throughout the nine days of tournament play, with mostly sunshine and moderately warm days. February did require a few sweaters and long pants however. The play was on three courts at the Venice complex of the Sarasota County Croquet Club

First was the doubles competition in February with 25 teams competing in four flights.

The championship winner was determined during the last game of block play when the two top seeds played off that final game. The team of Alan Cottle and Avril Rangoni-Machiavelli took the win by one wicket over Fred and Jackie Jones 15-14.

First flight, a field of 6 teams, saw Christine Irwin and Roger Measel top the field with 4 wins and 1 loss, while Dolores Gallagher and Bruce Gillespie took second with 3 wins. Obviously the teams were well matched as three teams ended with 3 wins each.

Second flight, fielding 6 teams, ended block play with Joy Bandy and Norm Mulrone and Doug Johnson and Bob Maye, tied with 4 wins. As the title was not to be determined by net points a play-off the on Sunday gave the deciding win to the Joy and Norm, with the Doug and Bob placing second.

Third Flight, with 7 teams saw Betty Anne Szuts and Arthur Olsen sweep the field, going undefeated, with five wins to take the win. Gloria Stevens and Ivan Szuts came in second.

Trophies were presented to the winners and runner-ups.

Singles competition, due to size, was held as two separate events. Championship and First flight played over the week-end of March 16-18, while Second and Third flight played during the next week March 21-23. Forty players competed in four flights to determine the new winners in each category.

Championship flight, with 6 players, handicaps ranging from a -1.5 to 2, became a match between Russ Cuccia and Fred Jones, with both going to the final block game, undefeated at four wins each. Both played well but Fred Jones was the victor 19- 15, taking the win, with Russ second

First flight, with sixteen players, was divided into two blocks with Carl Kruse and Bob McQuinn leading Block One and Bill Cole and Glenn Bennett leading Block Two. A single elimination ladder saw Bob and Carl both go down in the first games. In the final match Bill Cole out lasted Glenn Bennett with a nail biting finish to win by one wicket.

Second flight, with two blocks of five, saw Bob Hacker and Jim Feorino as the block leaders. A four person ladder, quickly took both of them out of the running. Along came Richard Zeck to take a win over Lee Anderson to take the honors.

Third flight, originally started with nine but with drop-outs ended at seven. Arthur Olsen and Ron Truman played through the block, each undefeated, with six wins. A play-off netted Arthur the flight championship.

With a complete volunteer crew the tournament ran very smoothly, and thanks go to Charlotte Neagle, tournament manager, Fred Jones, tournament director, the grounds crew of Bob Lentz, Ralph Curtis, Roger Measel, and Glenn Bennett, the Kitchen help under the direction of Sue Doherty who insured there was coffee and fixings every morning, and that there was sufficient food to go with the Toast and Tally at the completion of the games at the end of each day.

Fred Jones
Tournament Director

Singles Results

Nbr	Standing	NAME	HNDCP	TRKPTS	
CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT					
1	1	Fred Jones	-1.5	5	
2	2	Russ Cuccia	1	7	
3	3	Ted Kemp	2	2	
4	4	Colin Irwin	1.5	-3	
5	5	Ken Northrop	2.5	2	
6	6	Dale Poszgai	2	-3	
FIRST FLIGHT					
7	1	Bill Cole	6	38	Ch to 4.5 after
8	2	Glenn Bennett	4.5	2	
9	3	Bob McQuinn	4	1	
10	3	Carl Kruse	4.5	6	
		Jack			
11	5	Montgomery	4	-1	
12	6	Ralph Moore	5	6	
13	7	Sue Lawrence	5	1	
14	8	David Spillman	7	12	Ch to 6 after on points
		Dolores			
15	9	Gallagher	4.5	2	
		Jim			
16	10	McLaughlin	5	-4	
17	11	Christine Irwin	7	5	
18	12	Richard Palmer	7	8	
19	13	Frank Bruzerak	5	1	
20	14	Bruce Gillespie	5	-13	
21	15	Bill Carradine	7	0	
22	16	Norm Mulrone	8	-5	
SECOND FLIGHT					
23	1	Richard Zeck	9	1	
24	2	Lee Anderson	10	-2	
25	3	Jim Feorino	9	1	
26	3	Bob Hacker	10	18	
27	5	Ralph Curtis	11	16	Ch to 10 after on points
28	6	Barbara Caiafa	12	13	
29	7	Hedy Stoy	9	0	
30	8	Doug Johnson	10	2	
31	9	Roger Measel	10	1	
32	10	Bob Lentz	10	-10	

33	11	Gary Anderson	10	-4	
		THIRD FLIGHT			
34	1	Arthur Olsen	14	16	Ch to 12 after
35	2	Ron Truman	14	2	Ch to 14 before
36	3	Sue Kinder	16	12	
37	4	Sidna Mitchell	16	6	
38	5	Lulu Rodrick	15	-5	
39	6	Bob Elwell	16	-1	
40	7	Ninon Williams	15	-6	

Doubles Results

ByFlt	NAME	Hndcp	NAME	Hndcp	Total Hndcp
CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT					
1	Alan Cottle	0	Avril R-Machiavelli	5	5
2	Fred Jones	-1.5	Jackie Jones	-0.5	-1
3	Vic Lawrence	1	Sue Lawrence	5	6
4	Gar Beckstead	0.5	Dale Poszgai	2	2.5
5	Ted Kemp	2	Jack Montgomery	4	6
6	Colin Irwin	1.5	Roni Brazell	5	6.5
FIRST FLIGHT					
1	Chris Irwin	7	Roger Measel	10	17
2	Dolores Gallagher	5	Bruce Gillespie	5	10
3	Jim McLaughlin	4.5	Bill Cole	6	10.5
4	Carl Kruse	4.5	Richard Palmer	7	11.5
5	Charlotte Neagle	6	David Spillman	7	13
6	Frank Buzerak	6	Jim Feorino	9	15
SECOND FLIGHT					
1	Joy Bandy	9	Norm Mulroney	9	18
2	Doug Johnson	10	Bob Maye	11	21
3	Marge Chandler	10	Bob Lentz	10	20
4	Lee Anderson	10	Gary Anderson	10	20
5	Richard Schworm	8	Julie Schworm	9	17
6	Ilse Goesmann	9	Barbara Caiafa	12	21
THIRD FLIGHT					
1	Betty Anne Szuts	14	Arthur Olsen	16	30
2	Gloria Stevens	14	Ivan Szuts	12	26
3	Lulu Rodick	16	Sue Kinder	16	32
	MaryAnn				
4	McDermott	12	John McDermott	17	29
5	Maria Petrola	16	Maryann Cerasoli	16	32
6	Dick Stevens	16	Pat Crawford	16	32
7	Millie Gillett	16	Ron Truman	20	36