

## WACA Champion of Champions 2013 and Trophy Day Celebrations!

Martin Clarke (Mandurah) continued the good form that he and the rest of the WA GC State Team had shown in the recent Inter-State Shield tournament in NSW when he took out the 2013 WACA Champion of Champions event at Forrest Park on Sept 21 & 22.

With this year's September already the wettest for 16 years, storms and high winds playing havoc in southern areas of the state and with forecasts of wind and rain for Perth during the weekend there was plenty of wet weather gear in evidence, and numerous crossed fingers. But the fears were largely unfounded and a bright Saturday was followed by an only-marginally-showery Sunday.

Entries were down on previous years (only seven clubs being represented compared with ten or more in more recent years) and a few familiar figures were missing, nor, unusually, were there any women players.

But the standard of play, for the most part, didn't suffer. The Championship was run in a double round-robin format, one round on each day. Martin won 10 of his 12 games, losing only to runner-up Ross Marshall (Como, with 8 wins) with Eric Ayling (York, also 8 wins) third.

After play on the Saturday the WACA held its annual Trophy Day celebrations, during which the State team, back from their highly successful Inter-State Shield, were presented, including Gold Medal winner, Men's National Champion and team captain Chris McWhirter, and runners-up in their respective National Championships, Kim Reynolds (Moorabinda) in the Men's and Fleur Brockway (Vic Park) in the Women's. Croquet in WA is alive and very well indeed!

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WA State GC team



WA State AC team



Club champions



Martin Clarke, Champion of Champions