SBCC Mixed Doubles Club Championships





Congratulations to our 2024 Mixed Doubles Club Champions Beth and Chris Overzat (pictured far left) and Runners-up Jeff Dickinson and Debra Bednarski.

Super Bowl Sunday morning pregame starts every year on the platform tennis courts at the Club. The grilling, the football encased Jello shots, the revelry all put on hold for an hour or two to lace them up and compete for the SBCC Mixed Doubles Club Championship. Each year the tournament seems to welcome more and more participants, and this year was no exception with the draw being broken up into both an A and B Flight.

The A Flight semifinals pitted the Overzat's, Beth and Chris, against Jake Catchpole and Mary-Beth Hahn. Jake and Mary-Beth advanced in a close one against Andrew and Jenna Jefferys in the quarters. The other semi featured Jeff Dickinson and Debra Bednarski, playing their first mixed together, against last year's finalists Kevin Dunn and Stephanie DeLotto who upset Jose Rionda and Susan Hobson in the quarters. Ironman '17 champion and B Flight back draw tennis quarterfinalist Seth Kanowitz and Susan Lodge ended up a few points shy in their quarter finals against Jeff and Debra. The Overzat's advanced to the final, courtesy of Beth's rock solid net play against some stellar, fiery drives from Jake and Mary-Beth to meet Jeff and Debra who outlasted Dunn and DeLotto to reach the final. In the end, the Overzat's triumphed to complete their second set of Spring Brook Mixed Championship cutting boards which can be found shortly on eBay Malaysia in March.

The B Flight tournament was packed with several teams who could catch fire and capture the title. The quarter finals of this year's tournament showcased Carol and Dave Albright, who narrowly advanced in the match of the tournament against Evan and Jennifer Kraft, against Fred Wynne and partner Maryann Reilly. Eric and Meredith Ricciardi outlasted Brian and Trish Frey in their quarter to advance to the semi-finals against Fred and Maryann. On the other side of the draw, the father/daughter duo of Michaela and John Ennis faced Anne and George McDonald, who beat Bryan and Stacey Lang in their first round. Kevin Brucato and Jess Bongiorno squeezed by Butch Mustion and Christine Walton in their first round, and they faced and won their quarter finals against Mark and Elizabeth Meenan to advance to the semi-finals against the McDonald's. Butch and Christine stormed their way into the back draw finals and won the tournament over the Frey's. The final featured Maryann and Fred against Kevin and Jess and, after a lengthy battle, Maryann Reilly/Fred Wynne took home the title to win the tournament and advance to the A Flight next season.



Congratulations to:

B Flight Club Champions

Fred Wynne and Maryann Reilly

(pictured left)

and

Back Draw Tournament Champions

Butch Mustion and Christine Walton (pictured right)







