



# HOOP POINTS

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**ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND**

**2014 PRESENTATION DAY**

**The annual presentation of medals and trophies**

**SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER AT HUTT ROAD**

**Commencing 11am**

**Finals of the Saturday Pennants to be played in the morning**

**Presentations commence 11am with shared lunch afterwards.**

**Bring a plate and come along to this important event/social occasion.**



The AC State Team will be announced on Presentation Day (13th December) and will practice at SACA in the afternoon. The AC STATE TEAM will also be playing a fun one day comp simulating the Eire Cup against selected players on 26th January 2015 at a venue to be confirmed later on googlegroups. All welcome to come and see the AC state side play before they leave for Sydney in March.

**Eric Zadow**

## Hammer Time

What a fantastic achievement for croquet to have won the '2014 Event of the Year' award for Hammer Time at the Sport SA Awards dinner held in November at the Adelaide Oval.

Here is just one example of how we are publicising Hammer Time via Adelaide City Council website— [activeambassador.adelaidecitycouncil.com/articles/hammertime](http://activeambassador.adelaidecitycouncil.com/articles/hammertime)

Below is a copy of the official post on the Sport SA Facebook page. Clubs participating in the March roll out of this program have been having fun each week at Hutt Road, coming in to check out how we run the program.



SA Croquet Association Inc shared Sport SA's photo.  
November 7

Croquet SA is very proud and excited to win the KPMG Sport SA 2014 Event of the Year Award last night for Hammer Time!  
The first branded croquet program in Australia!  
[www.facebook.com/hammertimecroquet](http://www.facebook.com/hammertimecroquet)

Event of the Year supported by ORS - Congratulations Hammer Time (Croquet)



Ron McBride, Sally Harper and Cathy Leske at Adelaide Oval with the Sport SA Award.



**UPCOMING EVENTS 2015**

**2015 JANUARY**

- 6 to 28 GC Millswood CC Night tournament. Doubles competition. Entry fee \$30 p.person.  
Entries to Bill Lawson lawson@chariot.net.au
- 8 to 31 AC Millswood CC night tournament. Handicap doubles. Entry fee \$30 p.person. Entries to Claire Wilson  
cmwilson13@bigpond.com
- 18 AC Tea Tree Gully 16+ singles day for handicap. Contact Jenny Stein 8251 393
- 30—5 Feb GC SA Bronze Medal 9+

**FEBRUARY**

- 8 GC Sunday Singles 8+
- 20-22 GC SA Gold Medal (Open)
- 20 AC Tea Tree Gully 16+ singles day for handicap. Contact Jenny Stein 8251 393

**MARCH**

- 13,20,27 Hammer Time**
- 13-15 GC SA Silver Medal 6+
- 20 AC Tea Tree Gully 16+ singles day for handicap. Contact Jenny Stein 8251 393
- 22 GC Sunday singles 8+

**APRIL**

- 2 Hammer Time**
- 7-9 GC Autumn singles 9+
- 17 AC Tea Tree Gully 16+ singles day for handicap. Contact Jenny Stein 8251 393
- 17-19 GC Autumn Open singles men
- 24-26 GCAutumn Open singles Women

**MAY**

- 6 AC Snowtown 90th birthday gala. Contact Joylene Hoskin 8865 2160 joyledean@gmail.com

**PROCESS FOR POLICE CHECKS**

1. <https://www.police.sa.gov.au/services-and-events/apply-for-a-police-record-check>
2. Follow the steps outlined to download the form PD 267.
3. Complete the form and sign Consent on P2 in the presence of a JP or Police Officer at local Police Station
4. Make sure the JP or Police Officer completes the Proof of Identity at the bottom of P2 and certifies the photocopies of the ID.
5. Return the completed form and copies of the Certified Proof of Identity to:  
Phil Wise, 3 Monaco Crescent, Grange 5022
6. I will then complete the Volunteer Authority and forward all the documentation to SAPOL Records Release Unit who will post your National Police Certificate directly to you in approximately 10 days. (Volunteer Association Number, VOAN, authorises the Government to pay the Fee on SACA's behalf).
7. Advise your Club Secretary that you have received your Police Check.  
Phil Wise VOAN Authorised Officer [pewise@bigpond.com](mailto:pewise@bigpond.com) 0402 109 816

**HOT WEATHER POLICY**

The Board has issued the following amendment regarding **Night Time (7pm) play**.  
"A forecast temperature of **38 degrees** or higher no night time (7pm) games will be played"  
The policy has also been changed to 4.30pm as the time to check the Bureau of Meteorology website to determine whether play will take place on the following day. Players are reminded that it is the forecast issued in the afternoon which is the applicable one.

'WE'LL JUMP THROUGH HOOPS TO HELP YOU!'

Talk to MARK GOLDSMITH from NORWOOD CROQUET CLUB



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## PROMOTION & DEVELOPMENT

Firstly a great big thank you to all those who helped make Hammer Time (HT) so successful and put us in the position to win "SPORTING EVENT OF THE YEAR 2014".

This is very special when you realise that the professional sporting community has recognised the Hammer Time pilot program as deserving the award; it was only a pilot program!

Hammer time is a product that presents croquet to many in a manner that's relevant to the 21<sup>st</sup> century

One way and another we are whittling away at the stereotype and giving lots more people a great croquet experience; club numbers will climb.

Christmas is almost upon us and it's a time for giving. How does your club contribute to the community?

Bordertown CC have invited immigrant workers at the local meat works to play. It's early days yet but I hear they are very pleased to be included.

The Norwood CC history talks about comfort parcels and various knitting events to help soldiers during the World War 2; recently we successfully contributed to the 'Sole for sole' shoe drive.

What plans does your club have for the festive season?

Best wishes to all for Christmas and the New Year

*Sally Harper*

**Dear Croquet Players,**

### REPAIR OF FOUNDATION MEMBERS ROLL

### CAN YOU / WILL YOU HELP?

SACA applied for a history grant for funding to effect repairs to this important historical document. Unfortunately the application was unsuccessful; we were one of many organisations vying for a share of a very small funding pool.

The document is currently with ARTLAB awaiting a decision on whether the conservation work will go ahead.

Quotes have been provided detailing three levels of preservation. The preferred option which is to preserve the document & frame will cost \$1740. The mid-range quote is for \$1541 to repair the document and mount in a new frame. Repairs to the manuscript only will reduce the cost to \$1240, but then it would need to be mounted in a new frame.

To this end SACA is again seeking member's support to raise the necessary funds to enable the restoration process to be undertaken. Are you able to make a small contribution to help preserve this document which is an important part of croquet history in SA? If so please contact me on [woolley17@outlook.com](mailto:woolley17@outlook.com) phone 8258 9069 as soon as possible. All donations will be gratefully received and acknowledged.

Thank you to those players who offered to assist with donations at the last request for assistance. Please contact me to reconfirm your previous offer.

Please help save this part of our history.

**Eileen Ferguson**

**Vice President**

## COACH FOR GOLF CROQUET STATE TEAM 2015:

coach interested in this position.

Please contact John Arney

Golf croquet committee would like to hear from any

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## GC COACHING

### Golf Croquet Coaching Coordinator

Please note that subsequent to the last AGM, Barry Haydon (Hyde Park Croquet Club) has been appointed to the role of Golf Croquet Coaching Coordinator.

Congratulations Barry. 'Barry is particularly keen to hear from country members so he can discuss how best to meet their learning needs as he and Bernie Pfitzner are currently planning how to best provide advice on GC coaching and rules across the State'.

Barry may be contacted on: 0419 424 184 & [haydon@kern.com.au](mailto:haydon@kern.com.au)

## AC COACHING

### ACHIEVEMENT PINS:

These players have recently earned Achievement Pins: Tracey Sincock (Coromandel Valley) B9, Barbara Stanley (Tea Tree Gully) B7, Ned Wilson (Millswood) B7, Congratulations to all and keep up the good work.

The AC Coaching manuals are all being reviewed and it is likely that new coaching programmes and reaccreditation requirements will be rolled out during 2015.

For all AC Coaching enquiries please contact Eileen Ferguson (Ph 8258 9069; email [woolley17@outlook.com](mailto:woolley17@outlook.com))

## VACANCIES

2nd Vice President position—board position

ACA Magazine correspondent

AC Events Coordinator

Delegates are required for Port Lincoln, Tumby Bay and Kadina

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**SACA Golf Croquet Spring Singles 7+** was played in November at Hutt Road.

The top four places were: 1. Kate HAZELL (Brighton) 2. Kim MILLHOUSE (Millswood) 3. Michael REIDY (Millswood) 4. Julie DODGSON

*Photo: Back row: Norma GREIG (North Adelaide), Kim MILLHOUSE (Millswood), Julie DODGSON (North Adelaide) and Kate HAZELL (Brighton)  
Front Row: Julie WEAVER (Hyde Park) and Michael REIDY (Millswood)*



The first match of the **Fleurieu Murray Bridge pennant, a new SACA Golf Croquet pennant competition**, was contested on Sunday October 12th at Mt Barker. Teams from Aldinga Bay, Mt Barker, Murray Bridge and Victor Harbor took part in the handicap doubles event. The weather was perfect and the players enjoyed the competition.

Results: Mt Barker 3 games (35 hoops) beat Aldinga Bay 3 games (29 hoops) Victor Harbor 4 games (39 hoops) beat Murray Bridge 2 games (28 hoops)

Matches will be held locally, instead of players needing to travel to Adelaide as is the case with the currently existing pennant competitions. In the first year the season will run from Oct 2014 to May 2015; there will be 6 matches held on Sundays being held in October, November, December 2014 and February, March and April 2015.

It is intended that coaching/refereeing/rules courses will be factored in around these matches, with the skills sessions open to all registered members, to be held in the morning, before the matches take place.

This competition has been enthusiastically endorsed by SACA Board members, and the program is to be run as a pilot to encourage regional GC competition, with the aim being to use this as a prototype for setting up championships or pennants competition in other regional areas.



*A group of players and spectators Back row Judy Stewart, Doug Stewart, Keith Fawkner, Ken Zadow, Joy Shultz Front row Therese Little, Anne Fawkner, Lesley Zadow*

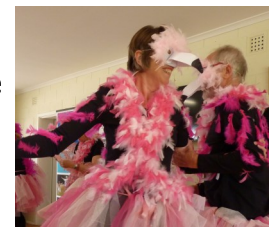
## HYDE PARK CELEBRATION

On Sunday 16th November one of our newest clubs (probably the newest) celebrated its 10th birthday. Hyde Park represents an amalgamation of former Unley Park and Hawthorn clubs which both dated back to the early 1920s.

The emphasis for the colourful afternoon was on fun with some one-handed croquet being played, a High Tea served for the 50 or so members and guests and 'entertainment' provided by club members. The formal part of the day was emceed by club President Barry Haydon with speeches by Philip Hadley (previous Unley Park's club secretary), Charles Biggs (the first President of Hyde Park CC) and Lachlan Clyne (Mayor of Unley). Local MP David Pisoni presented the prizes for the best hat and 'pin the grin' competitions.

An Alice in Wonderland theme dominated the afternoon – pink flamingos were everywhere, both on the lawn and providing entertainment. Special thanks go to Anne Larpent and Caroline Chapman for their involvement in organising the event.

Photos show Mayor Clyne providing an impromptu recital for the guests and some of the pink flamingos doing the 'chicken dance'.



## NORTH ADELAIDE GAMES

Thank you to all the players who participated in another successful North Adelaide games. The results of the various events:

AC handicap doubles: Winners Ron and Shirlene McBride; Runners-up Alan Crabb and Ray Walters,  
AC Predrawn Swiss: Champion Ron McBride, Overall Handicap Winner Shirlene McBride; Runner-up Alan Crabb.  
Block Handicap winners: Block One Eric Zadow; Two Phil Bateman; Three Lyn Parnell and Mary Marsland.  
The invitation event was won by Dwayne McCormick in a best-of-five against Tim O'Leary. Men's consolation event was won by David Wise.

Women's event: Winner Keri-Ann Organ from Geelong Belmont; Runner-up Virginia Arney from Norwood

GC Under 6: Winner Ron Mc Bride; Runner Up Karen Magee

GC Over 8: Winner Sue Huddy; Runner Up Dan O'Connell.

**Eric Zadow**

**REGISTRATION FEES** for all Croquet SA players for 9 months 1 January 2015 to 30 September 2015  
 City \$68.00 Country \$47.50 Juniors under 18 yrs as at 1/7/14 - Nil

Club affiliation \$15 Clubs for clubs with less than 40 registered players; \$30 for clubs with more than 40 players

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