



# HOOP POINTS

*A Monthly Newsletter from Croquet SA*

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## COUNTRY WEEK

Well Country Week has finished for another year. Overall the week provided good competition and fellowship with sadly, fewer entries in the AC events but maximum capacity in the GC events. The weather was kind in the first half of the week, with the predicted high winds and massive rainfall not eventuating. In the latter part of Country Week though the GC players could be forgiven for thinking that they'd come to participate in Water Polo, but undaunted they ploughed on, only being allowed some respite when heavy hail ensued. In spite of the bad weather all events were completed in good time.

Thank you to the managers, referees and catering helpers who volunteered their time and skills to make the event run successfully. Full results can be found on [www.croquetscores.com](http://www.croquetscores.com)

### AC Results:

**Whitelaw Cup:** Winner Ron Mc Bride (Victor Harbor)

### Singles Group 1:

1st Dean Paterson (Aldinga Bay) 2nd Allan Haywood (Murray Bridge)

### Singles Group 2:

1st Shirley Howlett (Victor Harbor) 2nd Murray Baum (Norwood)

### Doubles:

1st Allan Haywood (Murray Bridge) & Keith Ferguson (Salisbury)

2nd Shirley Howlett (Victor Harbor) & Sally Harper (Norwood)

**Achievement Pins:** Congratulations to Linda Kinch (Kadina) for achieving breaks of 7 at Tumby Bay tournament and a break of 9 during Country Week.

### GC Results:

#### Country Doubles: Group A:

1<sup>st</sup> Jim Grindrod (Aldinga Bay) & Linda Kinch (Kadina)

2<sup>nd</sup> Malcolm Kinch (Kadina) & Shirley Howlett (Victor Harbor)

#### Group B:

1<sup>st</sup> Libby Moore (Murray Bridge) & Charlie Carpenter (Aldinga Bay)

2<sup>nd</sup> Anne Fawkner (Victor Harbor) & Sara Kendrick (Aldinga Bay)

#### Country Singles:

**Group A:** 1<sup>st</sup> Jim Grindrod (Aldinga Bay) 2<sup>nd</sup> Barry Jennings

**Group B:** 1<sup>st</sup> Shirley Howlett (Victor Harbor) 2<sup>nd</sup> Ken Zadow

**Group C:** 1<sup>st</sup> Brian Kendrick (Aldinga Bay) 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Kendrick

#### City/Country Doubles:

##### Group A:

1st Jim Grindrod (Aldinga Bay) & Ruth Walter (South Tce.)

2nd Brenda Pentland (Aldinga Bay) & Marlene Salmon (Brighton)

##### Group B:

1st Brian Kendrick (Aldinga Bay) & Chris Tinkler (Glenunga) 2nd Julie Grindrod (Aldinga Bay) & Monica Curtis (West Lakes)

## A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE INVOLVED IN COUNTRY WEEK

Malcolm and I would like to thank Croquet SA President Eileen Ferguson and her husband Keith for their hard work during Country Week. The tournament ran for 8 days so it was a long week for them both. They had a very early start every morning to set the lawns and prepare the kitchen for each day's competition. When someone has the position of club president, it usually just involves chairing meetings and representing the club at functions etc. but we are extremely lucky at Croquet SA to have such a hard working 'hands on person' as Eileen at the helm.

We were spoilt all week with Gourmet Pies made especially for the event by Helena Panasewycz (Victor Harbor), thank you Helena. Both Janet Willshire (North Adelaide) and Sally Harper (Norwood) treated us to some homemade soup and Sally also spoilt us with homemade scones, thank you both. After listening to feedback from last year, Eileen contacted several City clubs, inviting them to help with the catering on a rota for one day only. This worked well with members from Tea Tree Gully, North Adelaide, West Lakes, Coromandel Valley, Glenunga and Hyde Park preparing lunches and making sure we didn't run out of tea/coffee and biscuits during the day. We greatly appreciate them giving their time to make our visit to Hutt Rd a pleasant experience as we all enjoyed having a chat and a catch up during the lunch breaks. The anticipation of Helena's vegetable pie really kept me going during several of my morning matches!

Although the numbers were down on last year, we had a very full week of competition as Malcolm and I did both AC and GC. We also used the time to catch up with family and friends and used our evenings to experience playing with different Bands in Adelaide, so we made full use of our time in the 'Big Smoke'.

Once again thank you to everybody who organised the tournament and worked hard to make Country Week 2016 a success.

**Linda Kinch, Kadina CC**

## THANK YOU MARY LEMM and BARRY HAYDON

Thank you so much to Mary Lemm (Holdfast Bay) who has taken on the role of Child Protection Officer to oversee our clubs in this very important area. We are very grateful for your help Mary.

Thank you Barry Haydon (Hyde Park) who has put in an incredible effort in the role of GC Coaching Coordinator. Your efforts are truly appreciated. This position is now vacant.

ALL MEMBERS: Please see page 5 for article on vacant positions, volunteering and how it affects you!



Group A winners

Group B winners

## AROUND THE CLUBS

### A DAY OF GOLF CROQUET COACHING AT KADINA

The Kadina Croquet Club would like to thank Robert Weaver (Hyde Park) for running our Golf Croquet coaching day held on the last day of Autumn. We are also grateful to David Chapman and Trevin Love who accompanied Robert and helped throughout the day.

We had a session in the morning for 16 of our aspiring GC players and they found it very useful indeed. Robert gave advice on the optimum grip and stance necessary for consistent stroke making and also demonstrated some different types of shot which are all very useful in the game. It cannot be stressed too often how vitally important the basic shot making is to the beginner.



We also had a very interesting time hearing all about the various rules of GC and our members were pleased to have their many questions answered by Robert with clarity and patience.

After lunch, 20 year 9 students from the Kadina Memorial School came for 1¼ hours introduction to GC. By the end of the session, they had picked up quite a few tactics and were beginning to have more control of the mallet. Once again the myth that croquet is only for old people 'raised it's ugly head' but the boys and girls soon realised that young people can most certainly have a challenging and competitive time playing the game of croquet.

The weather was kind as it did not rain, and the sun shone on the youngsters. We are very grateful for Croquet SA's involvement in both sessions and hope that a little seed of interest for croquet has been sown in both the young and not so young players of Kadina who supported this venture.

*Year 9 students from Kadina Memorial High School*

### GATEBALL AT WOODVILLE CROQUET CLUB



Woodville Croquet club hosted the first South Australian doubles Gateball tournament on 12 June 2016 in glorious sunshine.

3 teams competed in a "double" round robin format with each team playing the other two teams twice – once with red and once with white balls.

The games were all close with the winners from Hyde Park croquet club - Barry Haydon and Barry Jennings - winning 3 of their 4 games. The competition hinged on the last shot of game 4 with the "Barrys" trailing by 2 points. Barry Haydon played ball 7 and scored gate 3, sparked out ball 8 and hit the goal pole, winning the game by 1 point!

All in all it was a great competition and thanks go to all of the competitors. Hope to see more of you at the next event! *In the meantime, if you want to have a go at Gateball, try it out at Woodville Croquet Club on Tuesday nights from 6:30pm or from 11:30am on Sundays. Please register with Trish on 0434 281 042 or at [woodvillecroquet@gmail.com](mailto:woodvillecroquet@gmail.com).*



Team	For	Against	Net	Wins
Barry J / Barry H	49	-51	-2	3
Trish F / Geoff C	50	-46	4	2
Ben T / Ann H	46	-48	-2	1

## REMINDERS

### WEBSITE

Changes for the website should be sent direct to [website@croquetsa.com.au](mailto:website@croquetsa.com.au) . Please be specific and state exactly the changes to be made (eg page, member info, refereeing, etc.) and whether your attachment is to replace what is already on the website or is an addition.

Clubs should regularly monitor the web page that is provided for them and advise of any changes to be made.

### CLUB ONE SMALL SPONSORSHIPS

These are considered every one to two months and announced regularly throughout the year. Small sponsorships are to a maximum of \$500 although in special circumstances can be as high as \$600. Access Club One website for further information. [www.clubone.net.au](http://www.clubone.net.au)



## PROMOTION & DEVELOPMENT

Now is the time to start planning your membership drive for Spring BUT... It's hard if you haven't done one for a while – it could be said to be daunting/ frightening/ where do you start/ how do we do it/ we don't have enough energy/nobody around here is interested etc Can you add a few more reasons?

- Isn't the survival of your club dependent on new people?
- Do you want new members?
- How many do you want? (Don't be greedy)
- How are you going to advertise this event? Cathy can help you with flyer development and grant application etc etc
- Plan on 3 weekly successive time slots, maybe on club days

Next bit's simple: -

1. Have you got a club member who likes talking to people – they can greet the new comers and take their details – follow up's really important
  2. Have you got a club member who can plug in a radio – they can be in charge of the background music
  3. Have you got a club member who can cook a BBQ – they can do a sausage sizzle
  4. Have you got a club member who can show how to hold a mallet and hit the ball – they can teach the basics
  5. Have you got a club member who can show the newcomers the game of Golf or Aussie – away you go
- Have some fun showing people – any age group – how you enjoy croquet - I PROMISE YOU THEY WILL LOVE IT

### Finally a competition – PRIZE – A BOTTLE OF RED

The first person to email me the names of 3 media personalities who played croquet in the last 50 years will win the said bottle of wine - [sportdev@croquetsa.com.au](mailto:sportdev@croquetsa.com.au)

Enjoy

Sally Harper

## PLANNING IS KEY TO SUCCESSFUL PROMOTIONS

Plan your Hammer Time event now to introduce your local community to croquet in November and apply through Club One or your council to support and fund your event!

Contact Cathy if you need help or would like to know more.



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**COACHING:** The new Level 1 Foundation Coaching course for AC & GC will be rolled out in SA by National Director AC Coaching Greg Whymark from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> August at Hutt Road

## RESULTS

### GC 2016 STATE TEAM ANNOUNCED

Congratulations to the following members who will represent SA in the Interstate Shield in Perth 7-11 September:

Women: Virginia Arney, Kate Logan, Karen Magee, Shirlene McBride, Bernie Pfitzner

Men: John Arney, Barry Haydon, Ron McBride, Graham Whiteway, David Wise

*Croquet SA Board*

### WINNERS IN AC COMPETITIONS

SA PREMIER LEAGUE	Simon Hockey (Jamestown)
SELECTORS INVITATION	Mens Ron McBride (Victor Harbor)
	Ladies A Margaret Strickland (Coromandel Valley)
	Ladies B Shirlene McBride (Victor Harbor)

### MACROBERTSON SHIELD—INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION CROQUET

Croquet Australia recently announced the players who will represent Australia in the MacRobertson Shield International competition to be held in California in 2017. The team is Ian Dumergue (Captain) Greg Fletcher, Malcolm Fletcher, Robert Fletcher, Simon Hockey and Stephen Forster. Reserves are Trevor Bassett and Dwayne McCormick. Congratulations to all those selected but especially to SA's representatives Simon, Greg and Dwayne.

*Eileen Ferguson*

### TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS

Croquet SA is very pleased to announce that the Croquet SA Foundation has now been established. The Foundation enables both individuals and businesses to make a **fully tax deductible donation** to Croquet SA.

A quick and easy online donation can be made to either the **Croquet SA Foundation** (general fund) or our first project – the **State Team Support Fund**.

Funds received for this project will be allocated equally to the AC and GC teams.

**Do you know someone looking for a tax deduction either as an individual or for their business?** Spread the word and head to our new look homepage for the link to Donate [www.croquetsa.com.au](http://www.croquetsa.com.au)

*For and on behalf of the Board*

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## VOLUNTEERING

### WHY DO PEOPLE VOLUNTEER? HOW DOES IT RELATE TO **YOU** AND YOUR CLUB?

As a small state sporting association we are heavily reliant on volunteers, they make up most of the Board and all of the committees who work hard to provide events, coaching and refereeing and support to keep developing croquet in South Australia.

Volunteering provides you with:

- Satisfaction of being responsible for far-reaching positive impact on others,
- Gratification of sharing of your skills and knowledge with others,
- Personal fulfillment knowing you have played an integral part of a vibrant and growing croquet community here in SA,
- Increase your own social inclusion, physical and psychological wellbeing,
- Gain new skills and experience,
- Meet new people and engage with new networks.

There is no doubt that the profile of croquet in our state has been raised considerably over the last four years, largely driven by many initiatives undertaken by volunteers to support the growth of croquet. *So much has been achieved by our fantastic volunteers!* This has led to an overall increased demand on our staffing infrastructure as we try to cope with more events, increased online presence, promotional events and increased support for clubs via coaching and refereeing, marketing, education and governance.

There are many more initiatives that we wish to undertake to keep developing croquet however we are limited by our resources, there are only a relatively small amount of people directly involved with Croquet SA who are already fully committed in their roles. Where there were once committees to share the load, it is often left largely to one person to fulfill a role. This leads to burnout and subsequent resignations. **THIS AFFECTS YOU!** To address this we need more people to step forward and help in all areas. If we can achieve this, the level of "work" would be much less and a greater feeling of achievement and satisfaction would be possible for all our wonderful helpers.

**ALL MEMBERS:** Please consider giving a small amount of time to help in any of the areas below you feel you are able to. Help us to keep croquet growing while doing something good for you! You will receive support in your role and have an opportunity to help run your sport.

*Cathy Leske*

## POSITIONS CURRENTLY VACANT

Croquet SA is calling for applications from suitably qualified members for the following roles:

### **Archivist**

The archivist is responsible for maintaining the historical records of Croquet SA. A history of Croquet in SA is currently being documented, to be ready for publication during 2017, the centenary of the establishment of the South Australian Croquet Association. Owing to ill health, our current archivist is unable to continue with this project, but her assistant has indicated a willingness to assist the new appointee to bring the project to fruition.

### **AC Director**

The AC Director shall chair the AC Committee and accept responsibility for the day to day running of Association Croquet in SA.

For further information or to apply for any of the above positions please email [president@croquetsa.com.au](mailto:president@croquetsa.com.au)

### **GC Coaching Coordinator**

To manage GC Coaching committee and provision of coaching for members and accreditation of new coaches. For information contact Graeme Thomas [gcdirector@croquetsa.com.au](mailto:gcdirector@croquetsa.com.au)

## CROQUET SA CENTENARY 2017—ORGANISING COMMITTEE NEEDED

We have had two members come forward to help plan a celebration for this milestone, but we are still needing more—can you help? Please contact Cathy [execdir@croquetsa.com.au](mailto:execdir@croquetsa.com.au) or phone 8271 6586

## POSITIONS BECOMING VACANT AT CROQUET SA AGM (27 Sept 2016)

**Vice President**—Board position. To manage Croquet SA policies and provide support for President.

**Director Sport Development**—Board position. To provide support and a network for clubs. To educate and encourage.

For more information on the above positions email [president@croquetsa.com.au](mailto:president@croquetsa.com.au)

**GC Refereeing Coordinator**—To manage GC referee committee, manage provision of refereeing for events and accreditation of new referees.

**GC Selection coordinator**— To oversee squad and make recommendations on state squad and teams.

**GC Events committee member/coordinator**— to provide and oversee GC event management and delivery.

For more information on the above positions email [gcdirector@croquetsa.com.au](mailto:gcdirector@croquetsa.com.au)

**UPCOMING EVENTS 2016****JULY**

- 5 GC Open doubles  
 8 North Adelaide CC Square dancing night 7.30pm Cost \$20—light meal at 6.30pm Contact Lynne Hughes 8445 2923 lynneh60@yahoo.com.au  
 15 GC combined 15+ doubles  
 16-17 AC CB Sharp Gold Medal, Open, h/cap -3 plus, Entry fee \$40, entries close 9 July, entries on-line entry form  
 29 GC North Adelaide handicap singles. Contact Sue Huddy su7eh@hotmail.com

**AUGUST**

- 2 GC Doubles combined 8+  
 13-14 GC Victor Harbor singles tournament-all handicaps. Cost \$50. Contact Kate Logan 8554 3356 kate.logan@adam.com.au  
 15 GC Murray Bridge gala 9.30 for 10am Cost \$15 includes lunch. Contact Lesley Zadow 0408 813 360 lemaza@bigpond.com  
 19-21 GC at Hutt Road Doubles combined hcp 15+ Entry fee \$40 per pair Entries close 9 July Entries on-line please  
 26 GC North Adelaide handicap singles. Contact Sue Huddy su7eh@hotmail.com

**SEPTEMBER**

- 4 GC Sunday singles 8+  
 5 AC Port Pirie gala 9.30 start Contact Pat Norton 8633 1814  
 6 GC Spring singles 9+  
 12 GC Victor Harbor gala 10am start Cost \$15 includes lunch Contact Beth Young 8552 2348 bethyoung@bigpond.com  
 12  
 21 AC Millswood gala 10am start Cost \$20 includes lunch and raffle Contact Barbara Gordon 8271 1368 ianandbarbaragordon@inet.net.au  
 27 **CROQUET SA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
 30—October 3 AC Murray Bridge tournament. Contact Lesley Zadow 0408 813 360 lemaza@bigpond.com

**OCTOBER**

- 30 Sept—3 Oct AC Murray Bridge tournament. Contact Lesley Zadow 0408 813 360 lemaza@bigpond.com  
 6,7,8,9 AC Tea Tree Gully Swiss doubles tournament Contact Lyn Booth 0418 805 458  
 9 GC Sunday singles 8+  
 14—19 AC Port Lincoln Championship and Handicap singles tournament. Entry fee \$40. Contact Margaret Barry 8682 4473  
 14 GC Womens SA Championships  
 21 GC Mens SA Championship  
 24 AC Kadina gala 9.30am Cost \$15 includes lunch Contact Jenny Lydeamore 8821 4438: 0448 830 071  
 31 AC Crystal Brook gala 9.30am start. Cost \$15 includes lunch. Contact Erica Young 8636 2039 grejy@bigpond.com

**NOVEMBER**

- 8 GC Spring singles 6+  
 13 GC Victor Harbor gala 9.30am start Cost \$15 includes lunch Contact Beth Young 8552 2348 bethyoung@bigpond.com  
 20 GC Sunday singles 8+

**REMINDER TO ALL PLAYERS & EVENT MANAGERS**

A reminder that coaching sessions, club events such as Gala Days and tournaments, as well as Croquet SA events are for **current registered members only**. Players: Please ensure you have your **current** Croquet SA registration card with you when attending these events so that the event coordinators can verify your membership, thank you.

Club event co-ordinators: These events are for current registered members and it is your responsibility to check for current 2016 cards of participants.

**COMPETITION ENTRY FEES—REMINDER**

Clubs are now sent an invoice for entries and lawn fees. Clubs are requested to submit entries via the appropriate on-line entry form. For individual and doubles events players are also requested to complete an on-line entry and are encouraged to submit entry fees direct to Croquet SA via bank transfer.

*Eileen Ferguson*

**be active.**

**GOOGLEGROUPS MAILING LIST—GET ON IT**

Googlegroups mailing list was established for clubs to advertise their events to each other by email and for Croquet SA to share relevant information direct to you—our members. It was lovely to have a player come to me the other day to tell me how his interest in croquet has really grown now that he receives all the information on events at clubs and from Croquet SA!

If you aren't on googlegroups and would like to be, send me an email -

Cathy—execdir@croquetsa.com.au

**Delegates needed** to represent Jamestown, Port Lincoln, Millicent, Wallaroo and Snowtown at Croquet SA AGM (or any special meeting called) Metro members please help our regional clubs have representation. Contact Cathy if you can help. execdir@croquetsa.com.au

**REGISTRATION FEES** for all Croquet SA players for 3 months 1 July 2016 to 30 September 2016

City \$23.00 County \$16, Juniors under 18 as at 1/7/15 free

Club affiliation fee—\$15 for clubs with less than 40 registered players: \$30 for clubs with more than 40 players

**OFFICE HOURS AT HUTT ROAD**

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