



HOOP POINTS

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2018 EIRE CUP CARNIVAL COMES TO ADELAIDE

- 14—16 **AC ACA National Gold Medal** at SACA
Good luck to our entrant **Greg Fletcher**
- 17—20 **AC ACA National Mens & Womens Singles** at
SACA, Nth Adel. Norwood, Brighton, Millswood,
Glenunga, Hyde Park.
- 21—25 **AC ACA EIRE CUP (STATE TEAMS EVENT)**
at SACA/South Tce, North Adel & Norwood

Event Information can be found here

<https://www.croquetsa.com.au/2018-eire-cup-carnival/>

We encourage all members and friends to come and watch some of the top croquet players in Australia. Come and cheer on the South Aussies! Good luck to all South Australian players.



Team members L-R: Mary Marsland, Shirley Howlett, John Arney (R), Virginia Arney, Robyn Short, Edward Wilson, Leah O'Neil, Eric Zadow, Dwayne McCormick (Captain), (absent H Watts, Mark Senior (R), Mary Bishop (R)).

GC PRESIDENTS TROPHY 2018

After being rescheduled as a result of hot weather, the Presidents' Trophy competition was played in milder, sometimes windy weather. The doubles competition was removed to expedite play over three afternoon/evening sessions. 15 players contested the event in a very competitive spirit. A number of players making their debut at this level were buoyed by notching wins against lower handicap players.

The competition was alive to the last round with Barry Haydon not necessarily safe, had Ron McBride pulled off a big win. Barry's consistency won out giving him 13 wins to Ron's 11. Just behind Ron on hoops was Kate Logan. Apart from Barry, Kate beat the 5 other players ranked higher than her in the competition, a great effort. The very high standard of play during the competition will have been gratifying to Ron McBride as he goes about developing the state team for 2018.

Great cooperation from all players helped the competition run smoothly with very little idle time on the courts. Bernie (how many steps?) Pfitzner, Graham Thomas and Robert Weaver worked tirelessly to solve the refereeing demands of the games, with player referees helping out when necessary.

Barry Teague and Mick Dawkins from Brighton ensured that everything was in readiness for players when they arrived and that games ran smoothly during the day. This was the first of what will no doubt be many high quality competitions during the year.



L-R Ron McBride, Barry Teague, Barry Haydon

GOLF CROQUET SA GOLD MEDAL

10-11 FEBRUARY 2018

Karen Magee eventually convinced the weather gods to give her a break and allow this competition to start on Saturday 10th at 8.00am. After 4 different programs the competition commenced with 11 players, which reduced to 10 after 2 rounds due to player illness.

At the end of Day 1 Greg Rowberry from Norwood and Kevin Le Poidevin from North Adelaide were the clubhouse leaders. There were some big hits, big winners, big misses, classic in-offs, jump shots, long and short and lots of body language to help steer the balls once hit. Day 2 saw much better weather and everyone was raring to go. During the 2 days the referees were on the ball with immediate responses and decisions to calls for help. Haydon broke the referee running record from west to east to answer a query, very impressive Barry! Robert Weaver seemed to be doing push-ups on a number of occasions but it turned out to be his method of gauging the line of the balls.



L-R Greg Rowberry, Barrie Wuttke, Ron McBride

Every participant had their moment in the sun with the really good shots being applauded from the boundary. Greg Rowberry was the eventual winner with the loss of one game. Ron McBride from Victor Harbor was runner-up on a count back of net hoops from Karen Magee of Brighton.

Thanks to all participants, referees, scorers and particularly Karen for solving the pre-tournament weather hassles.

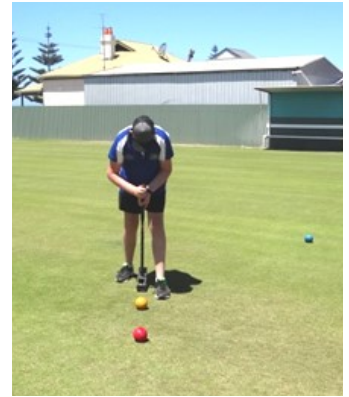
Barrie Wuttke, Glenunga Croquet Club

TUMBY BAY LAD GRATEFUL RECIPIENT OF CREINA DAWSON MALLET



Bill Hollier with the donated mallet

The receipt of the email from Croquet SA advising of the generous donation of the mallets of Creina Dawson being made available to up-and-coming young players, caught the attention of the Tumby Bay club leadership. During a school visit in late 2016 a then 13yo lad by the name of Bill Hollier was introduced to 'Aussie' Croquet – and liked what he saw and played. So much so that he began to appear at the club on Wednesday afternoons, cycling down to the courts immediately after school. He also began to be a regular on Saturdays and it became obvious to many that he had a flair for the game especially as he quickly transitioned to Association. His keenness continued through 2017 during the latter part of which he began official games to assess his handicap level. Notwithstanding his skill he was not in a position to acquire his own mallet, so the offer of one from this notable player was immediately applied for – and gratefully accepted. Already, after only a few weeks, Bill has shown marked improvement and will, school permission dependent, appear in his first tournament in May.



Bill Hollier showing his style

The Tumby Bay Club and Bill, personally, would like to express appreciation to Creina and her family, and the Board of Croquet SA, for giving Bill the opportunity to advance in Croquet with his own Mallet.

SACA GC DOUBLES INDIVIDUAL 9+ COMPETITION.

This competition was played over 2 days, Wednesday 14th and 21st February at Hutt Road. Six doubles teams, with players from North Adelaide, Millswood and Hyde Park took to the lawns with great croquet weather in the middle of a very hot February. The competition was judged on games won with 4 teams in a tight tussle on the final day. The winners with 9 wins from 10 games, were Lynne Hughes and Roger Harris from North Adelaide, while the runners up with 7 games won were Christina Fowler and Ron Symons from Millswood. Thanks to our referees, Anne Woodhouse, Robert Atkins, Robert Weaver and Barry Jennings. And also thanks to David Chapman and his band of helpers from Hyde Park for managing the event.



Expressions of Interest for the AC Selection Committee 2018-2019

Croquet SA is calling for applications from members to be part of the AC Selection committee for 2017-2018. Applications will be reviewed by the AC committee and recommendations for appointment will be made to the Board, who will then consider the recommendations and formalise the appointments. Information and the Duty Statement for this committee can be found on our website here: <http://www.croquetsa.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/AC-Selection-Appt-Duty-Statement-.pdf>

Applications should include details of any experience and skills relevant to the position and should be emailed to: president@croquetsa.com.au by 31/3/2018.

Eileen Ferguson

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CROQUET ASSOCIATION CENTENARY
SUNDAY 6TH MAY 10AM—4PM**

The format for this milestone will be a free community Come N Try event with morning and afternoon tea, lunch and drinks available for purchase. The theme is period dress and we will offer prizes for the best costume. Formalities will be at 11am with **special guests our Patron Lord Mayor Martin Haese and his wife Genenieve Theseira attending.**

We will have commemorative wine for sale on the day and will launch our Centenary book.

All members of the SA Croquet community past and present are welcome we need large numbers of players here at Hutt Road at this event at 11am.

We also need:

- helpers to bring morning and afternoon tea and help in the kitchen,
- Helpers to cook/serve BBQ lunch
- Bar staff to run the bar
- Members to help patrons on the lawns

We have one member come forward to help plan a celebration for this milestone, but it is unrealistic to expect two people to run this event—can you help? Please contact Cathy execdir@croquetsa.com.au; 8271 6586

UPCOMING EVENTS 2018**MARCH**

- 2 **QUADWAY HOOP** training at Hutt Road 3pm–6pm Contact Ron McBrideronmcbride04@yahoo.com.au
 4–9 **AC** Victor Harbor tournament All handicaps. Contact Noel Young 8552 2348 noel.young@bigpond.com
 5 **GC** Murray Bridge gala Contact croquetmurraybridge@gmail.com
 9 **GC** Millswood monthly singles Cost \$5 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper
 pharper@senet.com.au 0456 780 273
 14–16 **AC ACA National Gold Medal @ SACA**
 17–20 **AC ACA National Mens & Womens Singles** at various metropolitan clubs
 21–25 **AC ACA INTERSTATE EIRE CUP @ SACA**, North Adelaide & Norwood
 20 **GC** Marion gala day 9.30am start. Cost \$15 includes lunch Contact Glenna Bulley 0438 837 716
 21 **GC** Autumn pennants teams of 4 Open, 6+, 9+ on line entry Entries close 6 February
 26 **GC** Coromandel Valley gala 10am start Cost \$15 inc. bbq lunch Contact Kelvin Wright
 kwright@adam.com.au 0421 865 392
 27 **AC** Coromandel Valley gala 9.30am start Cost \$15 inc. bbq lunch Contact Ken McHugh 8270 8478
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 30 -April 2 **GATEBALL** Inaugural SA Doubles Championships at Hutt Road.

APRIL

- 6–8 **AC** Norwood Swiss singles Entry fee \$40 Contact John Arney 8277 2082 vjarney@gmail.com
 Entries close 29 March
 7–11 **GC** Victor Harbor tournament All handicaps doubles & singles Contact Kate Logan 8554 3356
 kate.logan@adam.com.au
 9 **GC** North Adelaide gala 10am start Cost \$15 includes lunch Contact Lynne Hughes 0413 356 923
 10-12 **AC** Maslen Brooch 6+ (Womens singles) at Hutt Road. On-line entry Entries close 30 March
 10-12 **AC** Lewis Badge 6+ (Mens singles) at Hutt Road. On-line entry Entries close 30 March
 13 **GC** Millswood monthly singles Cost \$5 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper
 pharper@senet.com.au 0456 780 273
 17–19 **GC** Doubles 15+
 18 **AC** Glenunga gala Cost \$15 inc. lunch. Contact Virginia Rowland 8379 2967 ginnima@bigpond.com
 20–22 **AC/GC** South Australian Masters Games at Murray Bridge. Book online
 murraybridgemastersgames.com.au
 27 **GC** North Adelaide handicap singles Cost \$6 per session 10am & 1pm Byo lunch Contact Sue Huddy
 0409 675 655 su7eh@hotmail.com
 27–29 **GC** Mens SA Championships
 28 **AC** Moonta gala day Contact Kathleen Lamshed kath66lamshed@dodo.com.au

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- 2–9 **GC** Handicap singles
6 CROQUET SA CENTENARY AT HUTT ROAD
 6–10 **AC** Naracoorte tournament. Doubles & Singles. Contact Eugene Dunstan 8762 3703
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 7 **GC** Victor Harbor gala Cost \$20 inc lunch Contact Anne Fawkner 8552 6074 fawknerkf@dodo.com.au
 11 **GC** Millswood monthly singles Cost \$5 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper
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 11–13 **GC** SA Silver Medal 6+
 17–21 **AC** Tumby Bay tournament. Contact Garry Speed speedgk@bigpond.com 0427 881 020
 18–20 **GC** Womens SA Championship

REMINDER TO ALL PLAYERS AND 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.

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

PARKING AT HUTT ROAD The Adelaide City Council has agreed that Croquet SA members when using Hutt Road car park should **display their Croquet SA ID card** on the dashboard if expecting to be parked for any length of time that will exceed the current parking restrictions .
 The current **parking restrictions are Maximum 5 hours Mon-Fri 8am-6pm**. Parking inspectors have been provided with a copy of the card to know what to look for.

ASADA Athlete Warning—Higenamine is a prohibited drug often listed on ingredient label of supplements

QUADWAY HOOPS please refer to the instructions on the trolleys and in the clubhouse!

REGISTRATION FEES for all Croquet SA players for 9 months 1 January to 30 September 2018
 City \$75 inc GST, County \$50.25 inc GST, Student (18-25 with ID card) city \$37.50 inc GST, country \$24.75 inc GST,

OFFICE HOURS AT HUTT ROAD

The office at Hutt Road is open on Mon, Tues and Thurs 9am—1pm. Phone number is 8271 6586. At other times via email below

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