



HOOP POINTS

A Monthly Newsletter from Croquet SA

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SA GOLF CROQUET MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP APRIL 2017

Many thanks to Norwood CC for event management and to the five referees who adjudicated a great bunch of men who played within the spirit of the sport.

Twelve entrants started with a good mix of experienced and up-and-coming players bringing their best games to the delight of the spectators, who witnessed some spectacular shots and nail biting finishes over the three days. Players came from the clubs Aldinga, Brighton, Hyde Park, Millswood, Murray Bridge and Norwood.

Final positions were:



First: Ron McBride (Hyde Park)
Second: Mick Reidy (Hyde Park)



Third: Eric Zadow (Murray Bridge)
Fourth: John Arney (Norwood)



AC MACROBERTSON SHIELD

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION BETWEEN UK, USA, NZ AND AUSTRALIA

We are very proud of our South Australian players Simon Hockey and Greg Fletcher who are part of the team representing Australia in this competition. Matches are being played in California USA and are currently in progress with Australia having defeated UK. Follow the scores on www.croquetscores.com

ATTENTION COUNTRY PLAYERS

COUNTRY WEEK ENTRIES CLOSING SOON- get yours in now!

COUNTRY WEEK 2017 – Sunday 21st to Sun 28th May

Golf Croquet events will run from Sun 21st to Wednesday 24th May inclusive and Association Croquet will be held from Thursday 25th and conclude on Sunday 28th May. For more information please contact:

Golf: Carolyn Cooper email carolyncooper2706@gmail.com ph 0427 831 642

Association: Eileen Ferguson acevents@croquetsa.com.au Ph 8258 9069

Entry form available on the Croquet SA website homepage.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS WEEK IS 8-14 MAY This is a time when the efforts of all volunteers are recognised around the country. Think about how much work your club committee does for all its members and what it would be like without this input, it takes a lot of time and effort to run a sporting club. Perhaps your club can put on a morning tea for your volunteers to say thank you.

Invitation templates are available from www.volunteering#australia.org/download:resources-2017/

DIRECTOR SPORT DEVELOPMENT POSITION FILLED

Congratulations and thank you to **Thomas Glancy** (Nth Adel.) who has accepted the Croquet SA Board position of Director Sport Development. We look forward to Tom's input on the Board.

POSITIONS VACANT;

Board positions- Vice President, AC Director.

Other ongoing positions: Archivist, GC referee coordinator, AC Event coordinator, ACA Magazine Correspondent.

Non-ongoing - Croquet SA Centenary Event Organisers.

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

Note that with the above staff shortages, it is not possible to achieve new initiatives and members should expect reduced programs.

Please contact any Board member if you are able to offer some support for your sport.

ASSOCIATION CROQUET NEWS



Jean Armstrong Memorial Shield 20th Anniversary 2017 (Brighton)

The Brighton Croquet Club is celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Jean Armstrong Memorial Shield from 13 to 16 October 2017.

This is a significant event, not only in the life of the club, but also nationally and internationally.

Jean Armstrong had such influence in the world of croquet that she was admitted to the World Croquet Federation Hall of Fame.

Players from around Australia will be coming to Adelaide in October to participate in this event which will celebrate not only the past 20 years but also Jean's involvement in croquet.

The Brighton Croquet Club is inviting anyone who has played in the Jean Armstrong Memorial Shield (formerly the Jean Armstrong Shield) to enter the tournament and anyone who is interested to come as a spectator and join us at the Official Dinner on Saturday 14 October 2017.

In celebration and remembrance of Jean, players are being asked to wear coloured tops and pearls as Jean encouraged. Ladies Crew Polo tops are available on order for \$27. They will be of different colours and will include the Brighton Croquet Club logo and the words "Jean Armstrong Memorial Shield 20th Anniversary 2017".

If anyone is interested in playing, attending the Official Dinner or ordering a top, please contact Anne Woodhouse for details.

email annewoodhouse4@gmail.com phone 0417 010 048

AC ACHIEVEMENT PINS:

Congratulations to Barry Jennings (Hyde Park) who recently earned a B9 pin.

Are you keen and enthusiastic? Can you work as part of a team? If so WE NEED YOUR HELP?

Croquet SA is seeking expressions of interest from players who are keen to be part of a steering committee to organise the **AC Australian Gold Medal, Men's & Women's Singles and the Eire Cup** which will be held in Adelaide in March 2018.

Interested players please contact Eileen Ferguson asap..

Email president@croquetsa.com.au ph. 8258 9069

AC STATE COACH

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

AC State team coach for 2017-2018 (see Bylaws 28.3)

The role of the Team Coach is to

Organise and conduct training sessions to prepare Squad/Team members for national competition

Identify where performance needs improvement and implement strategies to facilitate that improvement

Applications should include:

Details of the applicant's experience

Reasons as to why the applicant believes they are suitable for the position

A proposed training program

Applications for AC State Coach should be emailed to president@croquetsa.com.au by COB 19th May 2017

GOLF CROQUET NEWS

GC RULES PRESENTATION

The SACA GC Referee Sub-committee has developed a GC Rules Presentation that is given at clubs, where a game is played and officiated. Club members follow the game around the court so they can see the faults/errors and the Rules being reinforced. This gives visual and actual experience for club members and an opportunity to ask questions. The Presentation normally runs over 2 hours with a final 30 minute coaching session.

This is a free presentation for SACA members—if your club is interested please contact Bernie Pfitzner berniepfitzner@adam.com.au or Robert Weaver gccoaching@croquetsa.com.au to arrange a time.

CLUB NEWS



CRYSTAL BROOK CROQUET CLUB held a Come and Try over four weeks. We had an average of 30 people attend with ages ranging from 8 to 80. There is a prospect of new players for next season. All are keen to come back for more coaching. A big Thank you to Lorraine Saunders and Simon Hockey for a job well done.



The NORTHERN YORKE PENINSULA Croquet Association 2016/2017 season concluded on 15 March followed by a windup luncheon at the Snowtown Community Club.

Kadina Blue were clear winners at the top of the Premiership table with 38 match points, 70 game points and 802 hoop points. They won 19 of a possible 21 matches and averaged 38 hoops per game an exceptional result. Their ability to play consistent croquet each week was an inspiration to us all.

Snowtown were awarded second place with 34 match points, 60 game points and 663 hoop points. They won 17 of a possible 21 matches and averaged 31 hoop points per games. With only 5 registered players Snowtown club was delighted with their success.

We enjoyed an excellent lunch before breaking for winter already anticipating off season tournaments and the competition in 2017/2018.

Chris Bolvig

SPORT DEVELOPMENT & CLUB PROMOTION

WORLD CROQUET DAY Congratulations to all clubs taking part in World Croquet Day on May 7th and having a free come n try session. What a great and easy way to keep the profile of croquet up in your community and get people playing croquet. Don't forget the key to making the most of a promotion like this is to gather email addresses and keep inviting people back to your club, otherwise they don't feel welcome to come!

PLANNING FOR SPRING PROMOTION

NOW is the time to plan for your promotion and get some money behind you to help advertise it. Check your council's website for any grants and make sure you are on the mailing list to be notified of when they are open.

There is a **NEW GRANT OPEN** all year round for <\$5000, it is an online application only. Here is the link for information and applications <https://dcsi.smartygrants.com.au/1718Minor>

If you want any HELP please contact me.

Cathy Leske

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 received all the information on events at clubs and from Croquet SA!

Send an email to execdir@croquetsa.com.au to join.

PARKING AT SACA HEADQUARTERS HUTT ROAD

Parking restrictions are now in force in the carpark at our Hutt Road facility. This has been put in place by Adel. City Council after our negotiations with them, and in response to many other unknown persons utilizing our carpark on an all day basis, making it very difficult for our own members to have access to the carpark for events.

The restrictions are: Monday to Friday 5 hour parking limit 8am – 6pm. This applies to all users of the carpark including Croquet SA members

For most events during the week, we envisage that 5 hours will be sufficient time for games to be played. In the event of a major tournament, we will advise Adel. City Council and they will take note not to issue parking fines. I will be contacting the ACC next week to ask for a parking inspector to patrol the carpark and the result of this will serve to diminish the other people using the carpark.

SECURITY AT HUTT ROAD—Please look after our biggest asset

It is the responsibility of all users of Hutt Road to ensure that the clubhouse is alarmed and locked when you leave and the shed and gate are both locked.

If you use a key to open the premises you have a responsibility to ensure those remaining when you leave have a key to lock up. It is not pleasant sitting around until someone with a key turns up to secure the premises.

For Saturday pennants the first named team on lawn 2 at 2.30pm should ensure they have a key to lock up. Each

UPCOMING EVENTS 2017**MAY**

- 1 GC Victor Harbor gala start 10am Cost \$15 includes lunch contact Anne Fawkner fawknerkf@dodo.com.au
 2 GC Norwood gala 10.30 start Cost \$15 includes lunch Contct Marg Allan dmallan@internode.on.net 0403 863 302
 GC Winter midweek pennant—team aggregate handicap 24+ Cost team entry \$40, \$20 per team per round
 6-7 AC Selectors invitation
 7 WORLD CROQUET DAY
 7—11 AC Naracoorte tournament—doubles and singles Entry fee \$50 Contact Eugene Dunstan 87623703
 enjdunstan@bigpond.com Entries clost 29 April
 8 GC Mount Barker gala 9.30am Cost \$15 includes unch Contact Eric Klenke 8391 1808
 12 GC Millswood handicap singles season Cost \$6 per session 10am & 1pm Byo lunch
 Contact Penny Harper 0456 780 273 pharper@senet.com.au
 11-15 AC Tumbay Bay Championship singles tournament Entries to Kathy Wilkins 8688 1828
 wilkinsrk@bigpond.com
 21 North Adelaide Fun Evening: Croquet 5pm, Dinner 6pm Square dancing 7pm Cost \$20 lynne60@yahoo.com.au
21-28 AC/GC Country Week
 26 GC North Adelaide handicap singles season Cost \$6 per session 10am & 1pm Byo lunch
 Contact Sue Huddy 0409 675 655 su7eh@hotmail.com
 30-1June GC Doubles individual 9+

JUNE

- 2 -4 GC ACA Bronze Medal
 9 GC Millswood monthly singles Cost \$6 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper
 pharper@senet.com.au 0456 780 273
 13-15 GC Doubles Individual 6+
 19 GC Murray Bridge 10am start Cost \$15 includes lunch Contact Lesley 8532 2048, 0408813360
 freckles38@bigpond.com
 30 GC North Adelaide handicap singles season Cost \$6 per session 10am & 1pm Byo lunch
 Contact Sue Huddy 0409 675 655 su7eh@hotmail.com

JULY

- 4-6 GC Open doubles
 14 GC Millswood monthly singles Cost \$6 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper
 pharper@senet.com.au 0456 780 273
 28 GC North Adelaide handicap singles season Cost \$6 per session 10am & 1pm Byo lunch
 Contact Sue Huddy 0409 675 655 su7eh@hotmail.com
 18-20 GC Doubles combined 15+

AUGUST

- 1-3 GC Doubles combined 8+
 11 GC Millswood monthly singles Cost \$6 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper
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 25 GC North Adelaide handicap singles season Cost \$6 per session 10am & 1pm Byo lunch
 Contact Sue Huddy 0409 675 655 su7eh@hotmail.com
 30-1 Sept GC Spring singles 9+

SEPTEMBER

- 2-3 AC Millswood Blue & Gold Invitation. Contact heather.bajcarz@gmail.com
 11 GC Victor Harbor gala day Cost \$15 inc. lunch 10am start Contact Anne Fawkner
 fawknerkf@dodo.com.au

OCTOBER

- 20-24 AC Port Lincoln tournament Championship & Handicap singles Cost \$40
 Contact Margaret Barry 8682 2352; Barbara Bartsch 8682 4473
 21-28 Australian Masters Games, Tasmania
 28-3 Nov GC Victor Harbor tournament Contact Kate Logan kate.logan@adam.com.au

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

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

REGISTRATION FEES for all Croquet SA players for 6 months 1 April to 30 September 2017
 City \$48.50 inc GST, County \$29.50 inc GST, Student city \$22.50 inc GST, Student country \$15.00 inc GST,
 Juniors city and country (under 18) free

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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