



HOOP POINTS

A Monthly Newsletter from Croquet SA

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SACA AGM TUESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 10AM HUTT ROAD

Election of Directors: Vice President -Nomination Kay Seeary (North Adelaide)

Director Golf Croquet - Nomination Graeme Thomas (Hyde Park)

Director Association Croquet - no nominations.

Nominations forms available from website http://www.croquetsa.com.au/?page_id=58 or on notice board at SACA.

Registration fees for 2015-2016 have been approved by the Board: \$93 for city and \$64 for country

Students \$47 (18-25 with student card), Juniors under 18 as at 1/7/15 free

Club affiliation fee—no change: Clubs with more than 40 members \$30, all other clubs \$15



CROQUET SET FOR THE 15TH AUSTRALIAN MASTERS GAMES IN ADELAIDE

Entries are now open for the 15th Australian Masters Games to be held in Adelaide this October.

We're really looking forward to catching up with you all.

The Games are a great excuse for a week away with friends, whilst enjoying the sport you love and a busy Games social program. Apart from meeting the minimum age requirement, in most sports there is no qualifying standard, so players of all levels and abilities are welcome.

New in 2015, the Airbnb Games Village will be hosted indoors in the heart of Adelaide's CBD at the world-class Adelaide Convention Centre. The village will feature great food, drinks and nightly entertainment.

Stay tuned for further announcements, including the release of the exciting social program.

You can enter now by visiting www.AustralianMastersGames.com.

You can help to recruit your teammates by printing and posting at your club or venue one of our eye-catching promotional posters. You can download a copy by visiting the sports information pages,

BEST WISHES AND GOOD LUCK!

TO THE GOLF CROQUET STATE TEAM

who play in Launceston Tasmania from 15-27 September

John Arney, Barry Haydon, Ron McBride, David Wise, Graham Whiteway (Vice Captain), Virginia Arney, Helen Cook, Kate Logan, Karen Magee, Bernie Pfitzner (captain). Stewart Kingsborough (manager).



AC RESULTS

2015 SA Open Doubles Championship 1. Dwayne McCormick (Norwood) & Peter Landrebe (Cammerray), 2. Tim O'Leary (Moonta) & Eric Zadow (North Adelaide).

Special congratulations to Ned Wilson (Millswood) who completed his first triple peel during the event.

2015 SA Open Singles Championship 1. Greg Fletcher (South Tce), 2. Greg Rowberry (Norwood)

Broadview Challenge 1. Jim Curtis (Aldinga Bay), 2. Sally Harper (Norwood) 3. Ron McBride (Brighton)

REGISTRATION CARDS

Players are reminded that a current SACA Registration is proof of your registration and you should receive one every year after your club registers you with SACA. It should be available at SACA events, club gala days, Pennant matches for sighting by Event Mgr/Captains. Player registration is the duty of the players' club. If you are unsure whether you are registered please contact your club secretary. If you are an event manager and wish to check player registrations, please contact Croquet SA or Registration Officer. If you have lost your card, please contact the registrations officer for a replacement. Cards will be re-issued in October 2015 when clubs register players for the next year. Players may like to attach the reg card to their existing Handicap card. Results will be rendered null and void if unregistered players are found to be competing in the above events. If any club secretaries require clarification please don't hesitate to contact CroquetSA board members or Event Coordinators.

For and on behalf of the Board

CROQUET SA VACANCIES

AC Events Coordinator

AC Committee Secretary

ACA Magazine correspondent

Becoming vacant - GC Selection



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UPCOMING EVENTS 2015

SEPTEMBER

- 1 GC Brighton gala 9.30 for 10am start. Cost \$15 incl lunch. Contact Barry Teague 0408 888 071
jazzbaz2010@bigpond.com
- 7 GC Mount Barker CC gala day. Contact John Selby 0405 878 321 johnnofmountbarker@gmail.com
- 7 AC Port Pirie gala 9.30am start. Cost \$15. Entries close 31 August. Contact Sandra Arbon 8632 6669
- 7 AC West Lakes Division 4 gala. Cost \$15 includes lunch Contact Connie 8248 6091 pandcknox@bigpond.com
- 13 GC Sunday Singles 8+
- 14 GC Victor Harbor Gala 10 am start Cost \$15 inc lunch. Entries close 27 August Contact Kate Logan 0402 324 763
kate.logan@adam.com.au
- 14-15 AC Holdfast Bay Croquet Club Div 4 singles tournament. Entries close 31 August. Entry fee \$30. Entries to Ivorine
Waye 8350 0379 ivorine2@bigpond.com
- 15-27 **GC ACA Gold medal, Mens & Womens singles, Interstate Shield—Launceston, Tasmania**
- 16 AC Millswood gala 9.30 am for 10am start. Cost \$15 includes BBQ lunch, contact Claire Wilson 8293 8168
cmwilson13@bigpond.com
- 18 AC Tea Tree Gully 16+ singles day for handicap. 10am start Cost \$4 per game Contact Jenny Stein 8251 393
- 18—20 GC Doubles combined Handicap 8+. Entry fee \$35 per pair. Entries close 8 August. Entries by on-line form.
- 18-21 GC Australian Womens & Mens Championship singles. Sandy Bay CC, Tas. Cost \$85. Entries close 21 August
- 21 GC West Lakes gala
- 28 GC Broadview CC gala. 9.30 for 10am. Byo lunch. Contact Norma Amey 8261 8870 djynamey@gmail.com

OCTOBER

- GC Spring Pennants—clubs are reminded to get their entries in. 9+ Thursday nights, 6+ Wednesday nights
- 2—5 AC Murray Bridge CC Handicap AC Singles tournament. Cost \$45. Contact Lesley Zadow 8532 2048
lemaza@bigpond.com Lunch available for purchase.
- 3—10 **XVth AUSTRALIAN MASTERS GAMES** Adelaide
- 9-12 AC ACA Presidents Eights at Cairnlea Vic
- 9—15 Nov AC/GC North Adelaide Games. Handicap doubles and Swiss Singles. Entry forms from Kay Seeary or Eric Zadow at
wodaz@iinet.net.au or kay.seeary@bigpond.com
- 13-15 GC Spring singles 9+
- 15-18 AC Tea Tree Gully CC Swiss doubles tournament. Contact Kaye Rostron pee.kays@bigpond.com
- 16-20 AC Port Lincoln CC Championship and Handicap Singles tournament. Entry fee \$40. Contact Barbara Bartsch
8682 4473 nanna_b_@hotmail.com, Margaret Barry 8682 2352

APOLOGIES To Mount Barker Club—details of their 100 year celebration as follows:

- 17 AC Mount Barker CC 100 year celebration. Contact John Selby 0405 878 321 johnnofmountbarker@gmail.com
- 16-18 GC Men's Championships (Open)
- 17-25 AC ACA National 'B level' event
- 20 GC Holdfast Bay CC gala. Cost \$10. byo lunch Contact Ivorine Waye 8350 0379 ivorine2@bigpond.com
- 21 AC Salisbury CC gala 10am start. Cost \$15 inc lunch. Contact Val Rogers 8260 1510 vlrogers@chariot.net.au
- 23-25 GC Women's Championships (Open)
- 26 AC Kadina CC Gala. 9.30am start. Contact Jenny Lydeamore on (08) 8821 4438
- 26 GC Coromandel Valley gala. Cost \$15 inc. lunch. Contact Kelvin Wright 8370 7515 kwright@adam.com.au
- 28 GC Tea Tree Gully GC gala 9.30 for 10am Cost \$15 includes lunch. 5x40 min games. Contact Aysha 0438 700 956
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NOVEMBER

- Hammer Time - Hutt Rd, Aldinga, Norwood, Woodville**
- 2—9 GC ACA National Handicap tournament, Deniliquin NSW
- 8-11 Aussie Croquet Mt Gambier CC doubles championship. Entry fee \$25. Entries close 28 October.
Entries to Robert O'Neil 08 82755629 arjayo@optusnet.com.au
- 8 AC Victor Harbor gala 9.30am start Cost \$25 inc lunch Contact Beth Young 8552 2348 bethyoung@bigpond.com
- 9 GC Glenunga CC 9.30 for 10am Cost \$20 includes lunch Contact Tony Arthur 8388 6513 tony@afa.net.au
- 10-12 GC Spring singles 6+
- 14—22 AC ACA Open Doubles & Singles Championships
- 16 GC West Lakes gala. Contact Mary Evans drandmeevans1@bigpond.com
- 22 GC Sunday singles 8+
- 23 AC West Lakes gala. Contact Mary Evans drandmeevans1@bigpond.com
- 27-29 GC ACA Australian Secondary School Children Championship, Maitland NSW Contact Barry Haydon
president@hydeparkcroquetclub.com.au
- 30—5 Dec GC ACA Trans Tasman, Nelson NZ

DECEMBER

- 12 Presentation Day at SACA Hutt Road. 11 am**
CB Sharp Medal

North Adelaide Games will be a bit different this year. There will be doubles and singles in GC & AC. All teams or individuals will play 5 matches. For golf croquet, it will be best of three 13 point game match. You choose how many matches you wish to play in a day and there are various times and days to choose from. We will try to accommodate all reasonable requests. Entry forms from Kay Seeary or Eric Zadow at wodaz@iinet.net.au or kay.seeary@bigpond.com

Don't Croak, Eh!

What a night (times two)!

It was croquet with a difference when the Penola Players came to town on Friday 21 July & Saturday 1 August. On both nights the players (a group of amateur, but exceptionally good actors) performed their hit play *Don't Croak! Eh!* Each night 16 performers entertained almost 80 guests in the salubrious surrounds offered by our Headquarters Clubhouse – it was a bit squeezey but everyone had a great time.

The play, otherwise known as a madcap, musical melodrama written by Annie Kilsby (a Penola Croquet player) highlighted the value of the sport of croquet as well as its ability to encourage a great social environment (no more will be said about the plot as it could give the story away if you are ever lucky enough to see another performance if there is one). As a night of entertainment it couldn't have been better. People were able to bring their own supper, drinks were available for purchase and audience participation was actively encouraged and certainly the front row or two thought they were part of the show.

A special thanks to the Penola Players, to Annie for her insight in writing the play and having the fortitude to put it on for us, to SACA for providing the venue (and bar) and to the GC players who helped with the administration.



Players taking a bow at performance end



Attentive audience (Friday night)

GOLF CROQUET COACHES



There are now another 8 qualified coaches (Level 0) to assist in the development of new players. Barry Haydon, GC State Coaching Coordinator, ran a course on 12th August at Hutt Road with 8 enthusiastic 'would be / now are' coaches. Pictured, proudly showing their new certificates, are (from left to right) Back Row: Caroline Chapman (Hyde Park), David Chapman (Hyde Park), David Hayter (Holdfast Bay), Jim Grindrod (Aldinga Bay); Front Row: Barry Jennings (Meningie), Len Stidwill (Mt Gambier), Ken Taylor (Aldinga Bay), Julie Grindrod (Aldinga Bay).



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PROMOTION & DEVELOPMENT

Just received the great news today that the total number of croquet players in SA has increased by about 10% on last year. Just the reward needed for all the hard work the board and clubs have put in. With the current momentum I can see no reason why this trend shouldn't continue for several years to come. And there's more - lots more changes that are possible for croquet to become absolutely relevant in the 21st century - I can hear some people groan and splutter!!!!

So if you are a club that has had negative experiences trying to grow, now is the time to get some help and re-examine what you have been doing.

For example is there a negative ethos about growth in your club? Do members believe that they've "tried everything" - "no one has the time" - "people won't travel" - "members are too old" - "too expensive" etc.

These are some of the reasons I've heard from clubs no longer trying to grow.

If you want to grow, and in the current climate it's opportune, a different approach is needed.

Who are you targeting? - How are you reaching them? - how are you presenting the sport? - what has worked for others? - how can we learn from them? We can help you if you just ask!

Finally I had intended resigning at the AGM this September, but intend to carry on for a short while to see a couple of projects through.

Sally Harper

ACTIVE CLUB GRANTS—ROUND 40

Applications to ORS close 12 October.

Information sessions: 1 Sept—Unley Park Sports Club 6.30—7.30

2 Sept—Office of Recreation & Sport 6.30—7.30

8 Sept—Salisbury Council 6.30—7.30

Registrations are essential 8457 1734

be active.

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



SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES—CROQUET!

Do you know someone with school age children who love activities in the school holidays—Monday 28 September to Friday 2 October—at SACA? We have partnered with Come N Try and will be holding croquet sessions next school holidays, here is the link to the page <http://www.comentry.com.au>

Hammer Time

Will be hitting off again in November, so if your club isn't involved and would like to reap the benefits of increased participation, income and membership please contact Cathy Leske at your earliest opportunity. We already have 8-9 venues across Adelaide participating next summer.

CLUB HISTORY

Bob Auld recently produced a history of Brighton Croquet Club to coincide with that Club's centenary celebrations. Bob is now offering to assist anyone else who is thinking of putting together a history of their club by assisting with researching and ideas.

He can be reached via email rwj@adam.com.au or phone (08) 7123 0322

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REGISTRATION FEES for all Croquet SA players for 3 months 1 July 2015 to 30 September 2015

City \$23 Country \$15.50 Juniors under 18 yrs as at 1/7/15 - Nil

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

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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See Croquet Australia website for upcoming events



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Mount Gambier Croquet Club Inc.



Supported by Croquet SA announces the inaugural

SA “AUSSIE CROQUET” DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

EVENT FORMAT: *Maximum 32 pairs. Random draw, round robin block play, with play offs, if necessary, to determine the four pairs combination from each block who will progress to a 16 pairs single life knockout.*

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Mount Gambier Croquet Club

8th—11th November 2015

Enter now to be a part of this new event.

For more information contact: Tournament Manager: Robert O’Neil

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