

HOOP POINTS

A Monthly Newsletter from Croquet SA September 2016 Issue No 341

CROQUET SA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUES 27 September 2016—10am at Hutt Road

Croquet SA will hold its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 27th September at 10-00 a.m. Board positions currently vacant or becoming vacant at the AGM are:

President—Nomination received—Eileen Ferguson (Salisbury),

Vice President—no nomination,

Treasurer—Nomination received—David Taylor (Brighton),

Sport Development Director— no nomination,

AC Director—no nomination, GC Director—nomination received Graeme Thomas (Hyde Park).

The board urges members to nominate for positions becoming vacant as it is very difficult to operate with so few board members. Unless more interest is shown from members it is possible that the Croquet SA Board will cease to exist. Nomination forms can be found here http://www.croquetsa.com.au/croquet-sa/ governance/ and should be sent to the Executive Director execdir@croquetsa.com.au

Various other committee positions will also be vacant at the AGM. For more information please see Page 3 of this newsletter.

Thank you to Sally Harper for your very hard work and commitment who is retiring from the Dir. SD at the AGM. Thank you also to Kay Seeary for your input. Kay has resigned from Vice President position effective at the AGM.

GOLF CROQUET INTERSTATE SHIELD GOLF CROQUET STATE TEAM



Bernie Pfitzner, Kate Logan, Graham Whiteway, Barry Haydon, Karen Magee, Ron McBride, Shirlene McBride, John Arney, Virginia Arney. Absent: David Wise

The South Australian Golf Croquet State Team heads off to Perth in early September to compete in the Interstate Shield event for 2017. The team is aiming to improve on its impressive second place finish at Launceston last September.

The male members are the same 5 as last year and there is one change in the women's group: Shirlene McBride replaces Helen Cook who is unavailable for selection this year. Congratulations to Shirlene on her recent form - it has been very promising. The other team members have also been working very hard in preparation.

The Team members are -

Women: Virginia Arney, Kate Logan, Karen Magee, Shirlene McBride, Bernie Pfitzner. Men: John Arney, Barry Haydon (captain), Ron McBride (vice Captain), Graham Whiteway, David Wise.

Team Manager: Stewart Kingsborough. We wish them all well in the Interstate Shield.

Ron McBride will represent SA in the ACA Gold and Silver Medal event played prior ACA Gold and Silver Medals to the Interstate Shield - good luck Ron.

Men's and Women's Singles: SA has a strong contingent playing in this event. Good luck to them all.



Absolutely Fabulous Fundraiser for the Golf Croquet State Team

This fun night / fundraising venture was very successful with 149 people attending. Although for some the movie was not the most stimulating (some thought the title was extremely misleading) there was general consensus about the 'Bubbles and Nibbles' hour prior to the movie being well catered for and allowing for much conviviality.

The members of the State Team would like to thank everyone who attended and those people who provided food and/or donations of money and prizes for the raffle.



The money raised will assist with the cost of representing the State in Perth and is greatly appreciated.

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PROMOTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Well this is the last epistle so I wish you all well – may you hit straight, enjoy yourself, catch up on the gossip and see your club grow.

I know there are several people who could take on this role so don't be bashful! AND why doesn't a country player consider a position on the board – modern technology makes meetings very easy and are your ideas and input are not heard as often as they should!

Analysis of club membership numbers from 2014-16 has shown 16 clubs whose numbers are declining. 6 clubs have folded in the last 4 years, how many will be left in 2020?

Just a last thought about club management and sustainability. STAR CLUB. Office of Recreation and Sport (ORS) has set up this framework to assist clubs with their organisation. If clubs have a good foundation it will go a long way to ensure they survive personnel and organisational changes. Well done to those clubs who have achieved Star Club status!

Job descriptions are a case in point, I was recently asked for a description of an important club role. If this club had been a Star Club it wouldn't have been necessary to ask. Mind you I'm really really glad they did ask.

Take a few minutes to look over the new 'STARCLUB Overview' instructional video here http:// www.ors.sa.gov.au/...club.../resources to help you run your club

Along with tips and tricks to help minimise the time you're online going through the process. Even helps with ideas on how to share the load – you know getting enough volunteers to do all the jobs! If you are in the country you are likely to have access to a Star Club Officer – they are amazingly helpful people. And remember SACA is here to help – so do get in touch if you have any issue – don't try and invent the wheel, ask!!

Congratulations to the winner of the last competition who was Helena Panasewycz - the answer was Ahmed El Mahdi from Egypt - bottle of red wine on its way to you

ACTIVE CLUB GRANTS OPEN NOW!

Funding for clubs available for equipment or community programs open now closing 10th October. Here is the link to the application form http://www.ors.sa.gov.au/funding/apply for funding/active club program

Outcomes/funds will not be available till approx. Feb. 2017. So be proactive and start planning now for next year's community

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









WHAT'S THE BUZZ, TELL ME WHAT'S HAPPENING

As discussed at the recent Presidents' meeting, the buzz word at the moment and for the next few years is facilities. Are your facilities going to sustain you for the future?

Many State Sporting Organisations including Croquet SA are carefully looking at this now to plan for the future. Some clubs have negotiations underway at present either to expand their facilities or just keep what they currently have. It is an important role of your committee to assess where the club is heading and plan for the future, and facilities are a big part of this. If your facilities are underutilized, it is likely that other sporting clubs or council may wish to take them over. Club committees' main focus should be to grow and develop the club, and regular community programs to keep the flow of new patrons coming in are *so important*. It's equally as important to establish a group email list



of all these people and keep inviting them to come back, if they're not invited, they won't come. This demonstrates that you are an active and important part of your community.

Large sporting hubs are seen as the future of sports grounds and clubs may become involved in this type of arrangement.

If you have any dealings in this regard, please keep Croquet SA in the loop. We are there to support you and negotiate on your behalf with government and non-government entities. Please contact us if you have any concerns, ideas for future expansion or are being approached to downsize your facilities. Please let us know so that we can give some support and guidance for beneficial outcomes—don't leave it until it is too late.

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PLAYER REGISTRATION & CLUB AFFILIATION FEES FOR 2016-2017 SEASON

Croquet SA was required to register for GST as from December 2015, which means that GST must now be paid on The bulk of this income comes from club affiliations and player registrations. In order all income that is received. to lessen the financial impact of GST on clubs and players the Board has lowered the player registration fee from last years' fee prior to the addition of GST.

With the inclusion of GST the Club affiliation fee and player registration fees effective from 1st October 2016 are as

follows:

Club Affiliation

Clubs with less than 40 members = \$33-00 inc GST Clubs with 40 or more members = \$55-00 inc GST

Player Registration

Adult city player = \$97-00 inc GST Adult country player = \$ 65-00 inc GST Student city player = \$50-00 inc GST Student country player = \$33-00 inc GST. Junior (under 18) players city and country - Free

COMMITTEE 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

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

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

For more information on the above positions email qcdirector@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 vou can help, execdir@croquetsa.com.au

ASSOCIATION CROQUET RESULTS

Congratulations to the following players: SA Open Doubles: 1st Greg Rowberry (Norwood) & Eric Zadow (Murray Bridge), 2nd David Wise (Norwood) & John Arney (Norwood)

SA Open Men's Singles: 1st Simon Hockey (Jamestown) 2nd Edward Wilson (Millswood)

SA Open Women's Singles: 1st Virginia Arney (Norwood) 2nd Di Helier (Glenunga)

ACHİEVEMENT PINŠ

Congratulations to Meredith Morgan (South Tce) who has earned a pin for a Break of 5.

CLUB NEWS

KADINA CROQUET CLUB

A big THANK YOU to John Lydeamore.

The Kadina Croquet Club has been extremely fortunate to have John Lydeamore as president for the last 9 years. Since that time, John has seen the club grow from a dozen members to the present day membership of nearly 50. That is a great testament to the hard work John has put into the club. John may have decided to pass on the role of President but he still is happy to continue wearing all his other hats within our successful and happy club. John is in charge of keeping the lawns in playing condition, organising the gala day draws and is our AC delegate. John is ably assisted by his wife Jenny who continues to be our secretary.

At the AGM in July, Linda Kinch was nominated and subsequently voted in as the new President. "I am very happy and proud to be the president of the Kadina Croquet Club and will do my best to carry on the good work that John has done. I am so glad that he is continuing in his other roles as his advice will be greatly appreciated."

Thank you John again for the many many hours that you have given and continue to give to the Kadina Croquet Club. Linda Kinch (Kadina CC)

UPCOMING EVENTS 2016

SEPTEMBE	R
3-6	GC Mens and Womens Australian Championships Information at events@croquet-australia.com.au
4	GC Sunday singles 8+
5 5	AC Port Pirie gala 9.30am start Cost \$15 includes lunch Entries with h/cap to Pat Norton 8633 1814
5	GC Mount Barker gala Cost \$15 includes lunch. Contact Eric Klenke 8391 1808
6	GC Spring singles 9+
12	AC Wallaroo gala 9.30am start Contact Janine Hendy 8821 4990
14	AC Millswood gala 10am start Cost \$20 includes bbq lunch and raffle. Contact Barbara Gordon 8271 1368 ianandbarbaragordon@iinet.net.au
20-23	AC Hi-Lo Handicap Doubles (Combined handicap 16+) Entry \$20-00 per player
20 23	GC Brighton gala 10am start Cost \$15 incl lunch Contact Ken Nunan 0419910306
20	knunan@bigpond.net.au
24-25	AC Presidents Invitation Entry \$40-00
28	AC Invitation Event. Entry \$40-00 per player
27	CROQUET SA ANNUAL GENERAL MEÉTING
30	GC North Adelaide Friday singles Sessions 10am and 12.30pm 2 games per session. Cost \$5 per
	session. Byo lunch Contact Sue Huddy 8262 1891 su7eh@hotmail.com
30—Octobe	r 3 AC Murray Bridge tournament. Contact Lesley Zadow 0408 813 360 lemaza@bigpond.com
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6—9	AC Tea Tree Gully Swiss doubles; combined h/cap no less than 8. Contact Lyn 0418 805 458
0 3	booth.lyn45@gmail.com
9	GC Sunday singles 8+
14—18	AC Port Lincoln Championship and Handicap singles tournament. Entry fee \$40. Contact Margaret Barry
	8682 2352, Barbara Bartsch 8682 4473
14	GC Womens SA Championships
17	GC Glenunga gala 9.30 for 10am start. Cost \$20 includes lunch, Contact Tony Arthur 8388 6513
10.25	tony@afa.net.au
18, 25	GC North Adelaide Pre-drawn Swiss Singles (continue in November) Contact Sue Huddy 8262 1891
19, 26 21	GC North Adelaide Pre-drawn Swiss Singles (continue in November) Contact Sue Huddy 8262 1891
21, 28	GC Mens SA Championship AC North Adelaide Swiss Singles (continued in November) Contact Kay Seeary 8344 6759, 0447 260 367
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
0	grejy@bigpond.com
NOVEMBE	
1,8,15	GC North Adelaide Pre-drawn Swiss Singles (continue in November) Contact Sue Huddy 8262 1891
2, 9, 16	GC North Adelaide Pre-drawn Swiss Singles (continue in November) Contact Sue Huddy 8262 1891
4,11,18 7	AC North Adelaide Swiss singles (continued)
8	GC Murray Bridge gala
o 12, 13	GC Spring singles 6+ GC North Adelaide Invitation singles
13	GC Victor Harbor gala 9.30am start Cost \$15 includes lunch Contact Beth Young 8552 2348

REMINDER TO ALL PLAYERS & EVENT MANAGERS

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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.

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

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.

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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

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