



HOOP POINTS

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Mark Senior

AC SELECTORS INVITATION EVENT—23-24 JUNE

Twelve players competed in this event with a number of interesting and close matches, and some surprise results. Congratulations to Mark Senior who finished first in the men's draw winning all his matches. Wayne Peart finished second and showed why his handicap is quickly reducing. In the women's draw, Marga Podnieks had a successful tournament and finished first (losing only one match in a golden hoop scenario). Shirlene McBride also had an impressive tournament finishing second. A special thank you to Joan Kelly who at short notice agreed to replace Helena Panasewycz who unfortunately injured her wrist.



Marga Podnieks

Thank you to Mary Marsland who was the Event Manager and also supplied delicious home made soup to players for lunch on both days. It was a most enjoyable event with all players displaying great sportsmanship, respect and support for each other.

Lyn Parnell Coordinator AC selectors committee

C.B. SHARP GOLD MEDAL

The C B Sharp Gold Medal event was held over the weekend of July 14 – 15 at Croquet SA headquarters. This is an open event and attracted twelve entrants with handicaps ranging from - 2 to +8. It was pleasing to see Mark Kobelt from Tumby Bay club return to mainstream competition after many years. With only two days to accommodate the competition, the players were split into two even blocks of six. In the last session on Sunday there were playoffs for final placings. Block 1 was won by Ned Wilson with Harley Watts runner-up. Block 2 was won by Dwayne McCormick with Mark Kobelt runner-up. In the playoff for overall first place Dwayne McCormick defeated Ned Wilson 26tp – 1. There were seven triple peels completed during the event. The weather was good for this time of year and the players were well looked after by Norwood club as managers for the event. A special thank you to Lyn Parnell, Mary Marsland and Joan Kelly.

OOOPS! TUMBY BAY CC TOURNAMENT—Correction to tournament results
Div 3 winner was Bill Hollier (Tumby Bay) second Margaret Barry (Port Lincoln)

Apologies - *Editor*

SA DOUBLES COMBINED 8+ GC COMPETITION (June 26-28 2018)

When writing articles for Hoop Points about competitions, I try not to mention the weather. It reminds me of school essays. However, to ignore the weather that these gladiators played in during this competition would be to deny them the respect that they deserved from us non-players. It was cold, colder and coldest! Thursday morning the temperature for the start of the day was 2 degrees and the lawns were icy and slippery. Everyone was well rugged up – beanies, scarves, gloves, top coats – and that was just the managers inside with the air-con on!
Out on the lawns, the players began to strip off (just a little) as the sun in the clear blue sky tried its best to warm the day up. Soon some of the players were actually in short sleeves can you believe? Just shows how fierce and fast moving the competition was. A double round robin, 13 points or 45 minutes for the first two days, saw games played steadily throughout. Then on day three, the format changed so that the top four pairs played a round robin, best of three, while the others played a round robin mini comp.

There were no easy wins (well just one!) with most of the games very hard fought. Remember the biblical text – "He who is last will later be first"? Well that is what happened. After the first two days the players who were sitting at the bottom of the round turned things about and ended up first.

The winners were Barry Jennings and Steve Condous of Hyde Park Club and the runners-up were Karen Magee and Jane West of Brighton Club. Following that Stewart Kingsborough/David Kennedy (Millswood); Shirlene McBride (Victor Harbor)/Julianne Jago (South Terrace); Barry/Jenny Haydon (Hyde Park); Barrie Wuttke (Hyde Park)/Robert Ainslie (Glenunga) and David Chapman/Marie-Anne Box (Hyde Park).



Barry Jennings & Steve Condous

The players would like to thank Millswood for managing the event so well and the referees Anne Woodhouse, Graeme Thomas, Ron McBride and John Arney.

Jane Lewis (Millswood) & Karen Magee

NOTICE OF CROQUET SA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & VACANT POSITIONS

The Annual General Meeting of the South Australian Croquet Association will be held on Tuesday 25th September at Hutt Road at 10am.

The following positions will become (or are already) vacant at the AGM.

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Director AC

Director GC

Director Sport Development

This represents all elected positions on the Board.

Members are urged to strongly consider nominating to fill one of the above positions. For a quorum, four Board members are required. This could consist of a minimum of three of the above positions together with the appointed position of Executive Director. It is however extremely difficult to operate with only four out of seven positions filled, and it would be desirable if more were filled.

It would be a very unfortunate situation if the Board was unable to make decisions, represent Croquet SA and grasp opportunities to benefit the development of croquet in SA.

Nomination forms are on the website here <https://www.croquetsa.com.au/croquet-sa/governance/> for download (scroll to bottom of page) and should be sent to Cathy at the below email.

Any enquiries can be directed to any member of the Board or info@croquetsa.com.au

HYDE PARK CROQUET CLUB ENGLAND TOUR ~ MAY & JUNE 2018

Several members of the Hyde Park Club Croquet tour decided to tour UK. It was decided early in the planning that the tour should be approximately a fortnight with a mixture of croquet matches, sightseeing and free time.

Our first match was against **Cheltenham**, in the Cotswolds. We learnt a lot from this first match. On the first morning of the first day we found out that only 3 of our top 6 ranked players were available to play for various reasons and we had to convince some of our supporting tourists that they had been promoted to the big league. We lost this match 9 games to 15.

Next we moved to **Budleigh Salterton** situated on the Devon coast which has 11 courts to play on!! This time Hyde Park was able to turn the tables despite still being 3 players down winning 14 to 10 games.

Next we moved to London, first at **Surbiton** a club that boasts many of England's top players. We put up a good fight to lose 28 to 33 playing a mixture of singles and doubles.

Our last match was in the grounds of **Hurlingham** with their Georgian style Clubhouse sited on the banks of the Thames and hosting a cricket oval, tennis, bowls as well as croquet. Here we won a very tight contest.

Lunches provided at each of the clubs were a feature of the tour.

Overall, we played 4 test matches – winning 2 and losing 2. All were sufficiently close and while the games were the key, the generous hospitality of our hosts on a range of quality lawns made the tour one that all involved will cherish.

A full report with photos was circulated on sacroquet@googlegroups.com

LAWNS AT HUTT ROAD IN WINTER

Players are reminded to please use the ramps and steps with handrails provided when exiting the lawns—especially in wet weather—to avoid slipping on the sleeper edging along the eastern half of the lawns. The Board is currently considering measures to combat this.

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 card at all events.

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 croquetsa@bigpond.com to join.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2018

AUGUST

- 3-5 **GC** SA Bronze Medal—handicap 9+ On-line entry Cost \$43
 7-9 **GC** Open doubles On-line entry Cost \$46 per pair
 10 **GC** Millswood monthly singles Cost \$5 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper
 pharper@senet.com.au 0456 780 273
 12-14 **AC** Division 4 singles On-line entry Entries close 3 August
 14 **GC** Murray Bridge gala 10am start Cost \$15 inc lunch. Contact Lesley Zadow 0408 813 360
 croquetmurraybridge@gmail.com
 19 **AC** Millswood Blue & Gold Invitation Singles
 23-24 **GC** Womens Brighton Armstrong Challenge Entry fee \$50 Contact Anne Woodhouse 0417 010 048
 annewoodhouse4@gmail.com
 25-26 **GC** Mens Brighton Armstrong Challenge Entry fee \$50 Contact Anne Woodhouse 0417 010 048
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 31 **GC** North Adelaide handicap singles Cost \$6 per session 10am & 1pm Byo lunch Contact Sue Huddy
 0409 675 655 su7eh@hotmail.com

SEPTEMBER

- 3 **AC** Port Pirie gala 9 for 9.30 start Cost \$15 includes lunch. Play on our new lawns
 Contact Pat Norton 0417839295 or email Carol Haldane chaldane45@bigpond.com
 4 **GC** Brighton gala Cost \$15 includes lunch Contact Barry Teague 0408888071
 jazbaz2010@bigpond.com
 8-16 **GC** Australian Mens and Womens Singles, Newcastle National Park CC.
 Entries via ACA website croquet-australia.com.au/tournaments. Cost \$95
 10 **GC** Victor Harbor Gala Cost \$20 incl lunch Contact Anne Fawkner 8552 6074 fawknerkf@dodo.com.au
 17 **AC** Salisbury gala 9.30am Cost \$15 inc. lunch Contact Val Rogers valrogers23@gmail.com
 18 & 25 **GC** Spring singles 9+ Tuesdays online entry
 20 **AC** Murray Bridge Evelyn Rowsell Challenge Day. Contact croquetmurraybridge@gmail.com
 20 & 27 **GC** Spring singles 6+ Thursdays online entry
 25 **CROQUET SA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**
 28 **GC** North Adelaide handicap singles Cost \$6 per session 10am & 1pm Byo lunch Contact Sue Huddy
 0409 675 655 su7eh@hotmail.com
 29-Oct 1 **AC** Murray Bridge tournament. Contact croquetmurraybridge@gmail.com

OCTOBER

- 5-7 **GC** Womens Open Singles Friday-Sunday online entry
 11-14 **AC** Tea Tree Gully Swiss doubles tournament. Contact Kay Rostron pee.kays@bigpond.com
 14 **GC** Family day doubles
 17-19 **GC** Horsham CC (Vic) 3 day tournament Cost \$15 Contact Rae Hill 03 5382 3283 rae.hill@bigpond.com
 19-23 **AC** Port Lincoln tournament Championship & Handicap singles Contact Margaret Barry 8682 2352
 24 **GC** Tea Tree Gully gala Contact Kay Rostron pee.kays@bigpond.com
 26-28 **GC** Mens Open Singles Friday-Sunday online entry
 28 **AC** Kadina gala Cost \$15 inc. lunch 9.30am Entries to Jenny Lydeamore 8821 4438; 0448 830 071

NOVEMBER

- 11 **AC** Victor Harbor gala Cost \$20 inc. lunch Contact Beth Young 8552 2348 bethyoung@bigpond.com
 24 **Aussie** Millicent gala Contact Lois Tilley 0408 374 901 gl.tilley@bigpond.com
 25 **AC** Millicent gala Contact Lois Tilley 0408 374 901 gl.tilley@bigpond.com

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.

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

be active.

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 3 months 1 July to 30 September 2018
 City \$25.00 inc GST, County \$16.75 inc GST, Student (18-25 with ID card) city \$12.50 inc GST, country \$8.25 inc GST, Juniors (under 18 as at 1/7/17) city and country 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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