



HOOP POINTS

A Monthly Newsletter from Croquet SA

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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CROQUET ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2014

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

President	Ron McBride (Brighton)	Director Sport Development	Sally Harper (Norwood)
Vice President	Eileen Ferguson (Salisbury)	Director Association croquet	Eric Zadow (North Adelaide)
2nd Vice President	Vacant	Director Golf Croquet	Heather White (Brighton)
Treasurer	David Taylor (Brighton)		

NATIONAL GOLF CROQUET CHAMPIONSHIPS were held in Adelaide in September

It was a great event, great weather, great catering staff, great referees, hoop setters and helpers. Thankyou to all the clubs involved in providing venues. Special thanks to Jane Lewis, Neil White and Robert Adkin for managing the event and members of the Organising Committee who ensured that all requirements were met.

Congratulations to the SA State team members on their results in the 2014 Interstate Shield—they achieved third place. What a FANTASTIC EFFORT— South Australia has been competing in this event for eight years; this is the best result to date.

Results: 1. Victoria; 2. New South Wales; 3. South Australia; 4. Western Australia; 5. Queensland; 6. Tasmania
Gold Medal winner John Van Der Touw (Victoria) Silver Medal winner Peter Freer (New South Wales).

Congratulations to SA players in other events:

Womens Singles Championships—Meredith Morgan came 3rd

Womens Singles "W" Block—winner Bernie Pfitzner; second Virginia Arney

Mens Singles Championships—winner David Wise

Mens Singles Plate event—winner Ned Wilson, second Ron McBride

Further congratulations to Ned Wilson—probably the youngest player in the ACA GC Mens Singles event has been nominated as Australia's entrant in the WCF U21 Championship in New Zealand in February 2015.

A comprehensive series of photos is available on the website.

Hammer Time Coming soon -
Starts 14 November for four weeks of croquet fun

CLUB NEWS



Congratulations to the **KADINA CROQUET CLUB** reaching the 100 year milestone.

A booklet has been researched and compiled by Helen Williamson and the club members for this occasion. A very interesting read! The Mayor also gave a brief outline of the history of the club from the Council's documents.

More photos are available on the website.



Are you having a community or club event? Post your photos where everyone can see them!.

www.facebook.com/SACroquet

UPCOMING EVENTS 2014**OCTOBER**

- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 AC North Adelaide CC Swiss Singles Contact John Riches 7007 5987 Entry fee \$30
Entries close Sept 13
- 3—6 AC ACA President's Eights, VCC, Cairnlea, Vic
- 5 & 6 AC Div 4 singles at SACA Cost \$30 Entries to sacaacentries@outlook.com
- 5 & 19 GC North Adelaide CC Open singles. Contact Colin Pickering 8344 4446. \$20.
Entries close 24 September
- 8 GC Glenunga CC gala 9.30 for 10 am start. 5 x 40 min games. Cost \$15 inc. lunch.
Contact Tony Arthur tony@afa.net.au 8388 6513
- 10—12 AC Tea Tree Gully Swiss Doubles tournament. Contact Lyn Booth 8263 7212
- 12 GC Sunday singles 8+ at Hutt road
- 13 AC Kadina CC gala Cost \$15 inc. lunch. Entries to Jenny Lydeamore 8821 4438 Entries close 6 October
- 14—16 GC 10+ Singles Entry fee \$35 Entries close 7 October Entry form www.croquetsa.com.au/
- 17—21 AC Port Lincoln tournament. Ch/ship and Handicap singles. Fee \$40 Entries close 10 October.
Contact Barbara Bartsch 8682 4473, Margaret Barry 8682 2352
- 20 AC Port Augusta gala. Contact Christina; bruce.molineux@gmail.com
- 21—3 Nov AC ACA National Handicap tournament, Launceston, Tas
- 25—27 AC Mt Gambier Carnival
- 27 GC Coromandel Valley CC gala. 9.30 for 10am start. 5 x 35 min games. Cost \$15 inc. lunch.
Contact Jo Lewis myrajobynal@yahoo.com.au 8278 9012
- 29 GC Holdfast Bay CC gala 9.30 for 10am start Cost \$10 byo lunch Contact Ivorine Waye 8350 0379
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NOVEMBER

- 3 AC Crystal Brook CC 9.30 am 2 x 2.5 hr games. Cost \$12 inc. lunch. Contact Erica Young 8636 2039
- 4 GC Murray Bridge CC 9.30 for 10am 5 x 40 min games. Cost \$15 include lunch and am/pm tea.
Entries close 23 October. Contact Allan Haywood 0427 326 765
- 3—7 GC ACA National Handicap tournament, Deniliquin, NSW
- 8-9 AC North Adelaide CC invitation singles. Entry fee \$30. Entries close September 17
- 9 AC Victor Harbor gala—all handicaps. Cost \$15 inc lunch am/pm tea. Contact Beth Young
bethyoung@bigpond.com 8552 2348
- 14 Hammer Time Hutt Road
- 15—23 AC ACA Aus Championships, Open, Doubles, Singles. VCC Cairnlea Vic
- 17 AC West Lakes CC Division 4 gala, 9am for 9.30 start. Byo lunch. Contact Mary 8242 5239
- 27—28 AC Whitelaw Cup

2015 JANUARY

- 6 to 28 GC Millswood CC Night tournament. Doubles competition. Entry fee \$30 p.person.
Entries to Bill Lawson lawson@chariot.net.au
- 8 to 31 AC Millswood CC night tournament. Handicap doubles. Entry fee \$30 p.person. Entries to Claire Wilson
cmwilson13@bigpond.com.au
- 23—27 AC Canberra Open and Plate. Entry fee \$50. Entries to John Byers 0408 401 567
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HOT WEATHER POLICY

The Board has issued the following amendment regarding **Night Time (7pm) play**.

"A forecast temperature of **38 degrees** or higher no night time (7pm) games will be played"

The policy has also been changed to 4.30pm as the time to check the Bureau of Meteorology website to determine whether play will take place on the following day. Players are reminded that it is the forecast issued in the afternoon which is the applicable one.

FOR SALE at TEA TREE GULLY CC

VICTA 2-stroke lawn vacuum in good condition

Contact Sid Daines on 8264 5840 and make an offer

FOR SALE

GC CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMEMORATIVE STUBBY HOLDERS \$8.00 EACH

BUY 2 OR MORE AND RECEIVE A FREE COMMEMORATIVE TOTE BAG

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Talk to MARK GOLDSMITH
from NORWOOD CROQUET CLUB



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PROMOTION & DEVELOPMENT

I've been considering how and what we learn from events, promotions, come and try's. Lists of contacts were offered to many city clubs as a result of the free competition at the RCC and Hammer time; people who'd entered our free competition but hadn't won. After discussion about how to go about approaching people clubs tried very hard to motivate these individuals but had little success. However, some new members have been gained at at least one city and one regional club from this exercise. Can we learn from our approach? I believe we can;

1. Realise that getting a positive response from a cold call is very difficult. Think about what were they offered & did it relate to the previous event they went to? The offer of "croquet lessons" is very different to going to a social event and is likely to be rejected unless that person has developed a very strong affiliation with croquet in a short time.
2. Use this list of people in your local area who have experienced croquet and enjoyed it enough to enter a competition, to advertise a social croquet event. Just email them your flyer!

My point is that we can learn from each situation and use that information when we plan the next event.

The other important process that needs to be completed when running any sort of event is feedback or evaluation. How can you evaluate anything when you haven't asked the participants for their subjective response to the event?

We provide a feedback form under the Hammer Time program and found it very useful. It's all about learning from experience.



Have you heard about "Play By the Rules" website?

This is a federal government initiative that is encouraging an atmosphere of safety, fairness and inclusiveness in sport. Its focus is on providing education for club members on a range of topics including, children in sport, equal opportunity issues, management of racism, homophobia and mental health, also respecting officials, & harassment and bullying incidents.

It provides policy templates, toolkits, resources and posters for member use. There is a link to the Play By The Rules website on our homepage. Using these kinds of resources helps to make your club professional, educated and informed, so take a look – you will find so much relevant and helpful material. <http://www.playbytherules.net.au/>

Just do it! Sally Harper

GC COACHING COORDINATOR

The position of Golf Croquet Coaching Coordinator is vacant. Please send an expression of interest to the GC Director, Heather White at: hwhite@townsendpark.com.au or mail to SACA.

Requirements:

1. Coordinate the development of players and coaches.
2. Conduct coach training courses.
3. Liaise with ACA regarding records and coaching materials.
4. Arrange coaching of players at clubs which do not have a trained coach.
5. Liaise with GC Refereeing Coordinator to prepare an annual schedule of coach and rules training at strategic locations.
6. Attend monthly meetings of the Golf Croquet Coaching Committee.
7. Represent the Golf Croquet Coordinating Committee on the SACA Coaching Committee. (Currently in recess)

GC 8+ Winter Pennants

1. Millswood Pines, 2. Millswood Oaks, 3. Hyde Park Bearers, 4. North Adelaide, 5. Norwood, 6. Brighton, 7. Hyde Park Knights

CLUB WEBPAGE

A feature included on the CroquetSA website is the facility for affiliated croquet clubs to have their own page on the site. The setting up of the page, on-going maintenance and updating are free of charge. Your page could feature a photo of your clubhouse/courts, playing times and general information. I can design and install the page for you or you can design your own

MEDIA RELEASE THE 2016 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MASTERS GAMES

The 2016 South Australian Masters Games will be held from Thursday 14th to Monday 18th of April 2016 and are to be hosted by the Rural City of Murray Bridge.



ASSOCIATION CROQUET:

Night Singles commence in October—Open and Div 3 on Monday night and Div 2 and Div 4 on Tuesday night.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS sacaacentries@outlook.com

REGISTRATION FEES for all Croquet SA players for 12 months 1 October 2014 to 30 September 2015

City \$91.00 Country \$63.50 Juniors under 18 yrs as at 1/7/14 - Nil

Club affiliation \$15 Clubs 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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