



NEWSLETTER

December, 2022

Christmas Greetings
Have a happy and healthy holiday season

DIARY DATES TO REMEMBER

12 December Christmas Party – games from 3.00 pm, Christmas Carols, Prize Giving with our special guest and local Member of Parliament, Felicity Wilson followed by a festive buffet from around 6.00 pm. Booking closed December 1 and with 80 members already paid, we now have a waiting list in case of a cancellation.

2023

Saturday 11 February - Ricochet/AC Come and Try Day 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

Saturday 4 March– Opening of Lawns celebrations.

GENERAL UPDATES

Christmas Party - We need volunteers to help set up marquees, tables, chairs and helpers to assist with serving dinner and more importantly, the clean up afterwards. Volunteer sheets in Clubhouse.

Fiyde Westgarth – Congratulations Fiyde for your appointment to the Board of CNSW. We look forward to getting some first hand information as to up and coming events!

The “Square” - This is up and running – very easy to use, you can now just “Tap & Go”. Thanks to Gill Burke for setting this up for us. It has been a boon for the Twilights and also the Christmas Gourmet Market and the Xmas Party.

Lawn Maintenance – Lawns 3 and 4 were top dressed this week and hopefully should be back in action in a week or so depending on weather. Once Lawns 3 and 4 are back in action, Lawns 1 and 2 will be taken out for maintenance.

Social Saturdays – with only two lawns available and good weather, please be considerate of other members. Depending on numbers we will be asking members to reduce their games to five hoops to ensure everyone gets to play.

Christmas Market – Thank you to all those members who contributed with their favourite Christmas treats and beautiful hand made gifts for our first, very successful Gourmet Christmas Market. The two Rosies's kept up the cups of tea and mince pies and to finish off the morning, our Beekeeper, Greg Deakin arrived with still warm pots of honey from his own hives. These sold out in a flash. Our efforts raised a fantastic \$2,000 so well done to all.

Ron's Garden – Thank you to Michael for arranging a gardener to clear up Ron's garden which hopefully we can now keep nice and tidy.

Club Clothing – We are about to order some new Club t-shirts etc. There is a "clearance sale" happening on the present stock so if you need a t-shirt etc., have a look and grab a bargain

GC UPDATE

Club Championships - Denis Edleston won the final against David Snedden (10-5). in a very competitive game lasting over two hours, with some hoops taking 15 minutes, However, while the score looks comfortable, nearly every hoop was very much contested and it was David's clearance shots that kept him in the game. There were many, and they were a real weapon from almost any distance. But Denis remained calm and showed his (AC?) skills in returning to the contest every time.

Congratulations Denis for another Club Championship! and also congratulations David, Rob Elliott and Michael Chang.

We hope all of you enjoyed this year's competition and we look forward to seeing you next year when Penny Paterson, our new GC Games Captain, will contact you and other players for another dose of serious fun.

2023 Competition Calendar – Work is now underway on next year's competitions. For GC, the list will include the club and division championships, interclub pennants, the Top 10 for our most advanced players and our short tournaments such as the Martyn Prins and Gibson Trophy. We are hoping to run the Gibson Trophy as an Advantage Croquet Tournament which will give us all a new learning experience and help us understand just how Advantage Croquet works. If you have any comments on this or other competitions, please let Penny know asap.

Pennants – everyone would have received an email regarding pennants for next year. If you haven't already done so, please have a read and if you do wish to play, advise either Penny or Joanne. We really are hoping to have three Division 3 teams next year and at least two Division 2 teams.

AC UPDATE

The AC competition season has ended with the two handicap events:

The Mayor's Trophy knock out singles was won by John Fransen who beat David McGane in the finals.

The Edith Wimble Trophy knock out doubles was won by Bronwyn McGrane and Ron

Humpherson who were defending their title from when last played four years ago. They defeated David McGrane and Lindsay Thompson in the finals.

COACHING UPDATE

Michael Chambers is in the process of finalising up and coming coaching sessions which will start early 2023. Watch this space!