

The Coronavirus Edition!!!

Mosman Croquet Club is currently OPEN, however group activities have been put on-hold until further notice, to prevent spread of COVID-19

- ✿ Bridge and Mahjong games are cancelled at the Club
- ✿ Usual croquet playing sessions will not be held, under the Weekly Program of Play.

“The Mosman Bash” has been re-scheduled to 4-6 September: SAVE THE DATE – we will circulate notices seeking help, closer to the Tournament.

Opening of Croquet Season Party

So much has happened since we had our very happy celebration to open the 2020 Croquet Season, on Saturday 7 March.

Everyone had wonderful time, with nearly 70 people attending, and more than 40 of them contributing sandwiches, cakes, raffle prizes, and assistance in setting up beforehand and cleaning up afterwards. Thank you to all who helped – it would not have worked without your input.

There were 48 entrants in the 5-Hoop GC Comp. Participants were randomly allocated to partners, each pair playing 3 games. The competition was a glorious muddle, run at racing speed and produced 3 winning pairs. These played-off for ‘nearest the peg’, the outright winners being Richard Westgarth and Bronwyn McGrane. Congratulations all!



*Mary and Thomas award 5-Hoop Competition winners
Richard Westgarth and Bronwyn McGrane*

The raffle was another source of competitive fun. The winner was **Maureen McCabe**, who then found herself in the middle of a magic show provided by Michael Chambers. Finally we had a search for the a novelty Lucky Seat prize, proudly won by **Joanne Nimmons** who received super-market produce of a “precious” roll of toilet paper beautifully decorated with a large blue bow – reflecting the coronavirus panic-buying raids.



Mary's grandson, Thomas, ably drew the Raffle

We were greatly honoured by the Mayor and 2 councillors joining our celebrations, and enjoying playing a bit of croquet themselves.



Joanne Nimmons (centre) with Jo Charlton and Cali Craig

Association Croquet Update

AC Club Championships

All club tournaments have been postponed and will be rescheduled when circumstances permit.

The Mosman Bash

The Mosman Bash was all set to be held on 20-22 March, and had to be cancelled as a preventive measure to reduce coronavirus spread. The tournament has now been **re-scheduled to 4-6 September 2020**, and we hope our coronavirus problems are over, by then. Competitors have

been contacted, and are generally able to re-schedule to September.

We had a wonderful response of club volunteers to help out with hospitality for our guests and for assisting to run the event, and we hope they will be able to help for the changed date, along with some additional helpers.

For all AC enquiries, contact Ron Humpherson at rhumpherson@optusnet.com.au

Golf Croquet Update

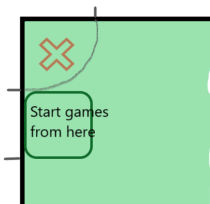
NSW GC Pennants Competition 2020

On request by CroquetNSW, the Pennants have been indefinitely postponed, due to coronavirus precautions. We have two teams entered in each of Div 2 and Div 3 competitions, each team to play six matches.

So far we have won 2 matches, and lost 2 matches, and everything else will need to be re-scheduled.

Looking after our Lawns

The Grounds Team has requested that GC players start play from 1 yard along from corner, whenever not playing competition games.



For all GC enquiries, email Richard Westgarth: richard@westgarth.com.au

Club Matters:

Welcome to new members

Welcome to **Sjiewke Broersma** and **Meg Slee**, who have recently joined MCC.

THANK YOU

BIG "Thank You" to all who are looking after the Club, making extra efforts to keep things clean and careful. Especial thanks to **Marjorie Lehmann** who has done a fabulous job cleaning the blinds in the clubhouse – they are nearly as good as new.

Guests playing at our Club

In recent years there has been increased frequency of members bringing guests to play at the Club. The Committee has reviewed the situation and will shortly be circulating club policy on this issue.

Guests must always sign the Attendance Book and state that they have paid \$10 per person (or \$5 each if belonging to another croquet club). Lawn bookings are not required, unless you are holding a function booked with the Secretary.

If you have friends or relatives who are coming to play repeatedly, they should be asked to join the Club. Application Forms are available in the Clubhouse, just near the Mallet Room.

Coronavirus Prevention

In recent weeks, the Club has circulated updates on measures to avoid coronavirus. We are following advice from Croquet NSW and from NSW Department of Health – as well as Government requirements.

We are fortunate to still be able to use our club for outdoor games, taking care to always be more than **1.5 metres away** from others. Please ensure you **wash your hands thoroughly** before and after touching anything at the Club. **Use paper towel** to dry hands.

The Club has provided **disposable drinking vessels**, for your extra protection. Do NOT leave rinsed glasses and mugs draining in the sink.

DO NOT COME to the Club if you have been exposed to high risk persons, OR if you have any symptoms of cold or flu.

We hope we can continue to keep our Club open for outdoor activities for the duration of this epidemic.

Take care, everyone!!

