



HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

MCC Newsletter – January 2020

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2020. We wish you all the best for the new year.

Diary Dates:

GC Pennants 2020: ENTRIES CLOSE 6 FEB. Competition commences from 13 Feb, for Div 2 & 3.

Fri 14 February: Twilight Croquet and BBQ, from 3:00pm. All welcome. BYO everything.

Tues 4 Feb 2020 at 6:30pm: Monthly Dinner – at “Kazzi Greek”, Balmoral Beach, RSVP essential by 30/1/2020
⇒ Contact Judy McDonald, Mb: 0419 253 501

SAVE THE DATE: Opening of 2020 Croquet Season Party on Sat 7 March

The Mosman Bash, 20-22 March: Please set aside some time in your diary, to help with organisation

MCC NEW LEASE: Finalised!!!

The Committee is delighted to announce the completion and signing of the new Lease. The Lease is with Mosman Council, covering our leasehold of our club property until 2038.

We would like to thank the Club members who provided valuable advice during the process, ensuring the wording of the Lease reflects our requirements: **David McGrane, David Snedden, Eric Stevenson, Ian Pedley** and **Penny Paterson**. We also thank our President, **Mary Gibson**, for her diligent supervision throughout the process.

Whilst the Club used the professional services of a major law firm to finalise the wording of the document, the input and personal attention from the above-mentioned were critical to the success of the final Lease documents.



Vice-President Ian Pedley validates the signing of the new Lease with the Club Seal, ably supervised by President Mary Gibson.

CLOSED: Lawns 1 & 2

Lawns 1 and 2 and the Practice Lawn are currently closed for play while they undergo annual renovation. The lawns are responding well, and we will inform you as soon as all lawns are back open again and available for play.

Lawns 3 & 4 were renovated in December, and these are AVAILABLE.

Please be generous sharing the lawns, and give others a turn if you see them waiting to play

Competitions 2020

Mosman Tournaments

It's time to check out the Club Competition Calendar, to save the dates and start practising!

To find the Club Competition Calendar on the Club Website, go to Playing Information > Club Tournaments > 2020 Tournament Program or open this link:

<https://www.mosmancroquet.org.au/club-tournaments>

Pennants 2020 – Golf Croquet

If you want to be in the Pennants competition, contact Richard Westgarth as soon as possible. Division 2 and 3 matches start from 13 Feb.

Entries close 6 Feb: *email Richard Westgarth, E: richard@westgarth.com.au*

Mosman Bash (AC) and Mosman Prize (GC) 2020

These are MCC tournaments open to outside players. The Mosman Prize held in November 2019 was a great success, largely due to the wonderful support provided by MCC club members helping to look after our visitors.

The Mosman Bash 2020 will take place Friday 20 March to Sunday 22 March. This is an AC tournament. We would like ALL club members to volunteer to assist with these sports. Please set aside a few hours – Volunteer sheets will be available shortly.

Other Clubs' Tournaments, 2020

Thinking of taking a road trip this year? You may be able to participate in a croquet tournament, whether AC or GC, in other parts of the state as part of your holiday. Check out [Croquet NSW website](#) for full calendar of Club Events (and Fliers/Entry Forms) for 2020:

<https://www.croquet-nsw.org/events.html>

In addition, there are many opportunities to get involved in official state tournaments and championships held by CNSW, at different levels – some handicapped, and some Open Play. Check out CNSW Events 2020, at the same link.

Croquet NSW: Div 3 Championships – at Mosman

Mosman Croquet Club will host the GC Division 3 Doubles and Singles Championships Tournament **15-19 July, 2020**. We hope a lot of our own members will take this opportunity to taste CNSW events on their own ground.

To enter: sign-in and register for this event on **Croquet NSW website**: <http://croquet-nsw.org/events.aspx?year=2020&type=S>

Club Matters:

Opening Party, 7 March

SAVE THE DATE for the party to celebrate the “Opening of the Lawns” on Sat 7 March. There will be a Sandwich Lunch and croquet games.

Please help to provide sandwiches and cakes – put your name on the [Volunteer sheet](#) in clubhouse.

WATER!!

Our lawns are totally dependent on water for their survival. Level 2 Water Restrictions were introduced across Sydney early in December. We have been fortunate to receive an exemption from these water restrictions by Sydney Water.

Our lawns are mostly watered at night by the automatic sprinklers, with occasional additional watering provided by members of our Grounds Team. Thank you, as always, to our Grounds Team for your time and energy keeping our club looking so good.

Twilight Croquet and BBQ

The next Twilight Croquet and BBQ will be held on **Friday 14 February**, with games from 3:00pm. Bring your own food and drinks.

Our previous BBQ, held 10 January, was a great success with more than 20 members attending. Members have asked that it be held monthly during daylight saving, so we will trial holding the Twilights on the second Friday of each month.

New Club Members

We hope our new club members have been enjoying getting started in croquet, and having fun.

Do make yourselves known to the other players and join in the games. Members are very keen to help new players and to give some tips during the games.

Name Badges

Anyone wanting a club name badge, please put your name on the list near the Sign-in book at the Clubhouse. Badges will be ordered at end of January, for delivery early February. *(Cost \$10 per badge)*

See you on the Lawns!!

