



MCC Newsletter – May 2019

Welcome to our May Newsletter: what's happening at Mosman Croquet Club – and things to come.

Diary Dates:

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS 2019/20 are due by 31st May: Thank you to all who have paid already

MCC 95th Birthday Celebration, Sunday 2/6/2019: Everybody welcome!!!

Bridge on 4/6/2019: BYO Lunch - RSVP at the Clubhouse

Annual General Meeting, 20 July 2019

MCC 95th Birthday Celebration



Come and celebrate Mosman Croquet Club's 95th Birthday on **Sunday 2nd June 2019**, 11:00am – 3:00pm. Festivities will include BBQ lunch, games, and Birthday Cake!!!

Cost is \$ 20.00 per head (including drinks)
RSVP by 29/5/2019.

Association Croquet Update

Club Championships 2019

Denis Edleston has made Club history by winning the Silver Division Championship, as well as winning Platinum and Bronze Divisions. Denis has made amazing progress in his game over the last 18 months and is up for challenging anybody. The Gold Championship was won by **Rob Wright**, with **Ron Humpherson** runner up.

Croquet NSW Events in May

Our Mosman players have competed in Croquet NSW events this month, with notable success:

Fidye Westgarth won the NSW AC Bronze Division Championship, held at Killara.

Rob Wright and **Fidye Westgarth** were runners-up in each of their blocks in the Beryl Chambers Handicap Singles, Northern Sydney Region.

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

Golf Croquet Update

NSW GC Pennants Competition 2019

Mosman White, captained by Di Stafford, reached Division 3 semi-finals held at Tempe, but were knocked out in a close finish before they reached the finals. Our other teams had some great results, but unfortunately did not reach the semi-finals.



Div 3 Finalists, at Tempe (L to R): Mosman White, Sutherland, Nelson Bay and Wollongong

The winner for Division 2 Pennants was Newcastle National Park, and for Division 3, Wollongong.

Since entering for the GC Division 3 Pennants, **Di Stafford's handicap** has improved from 9 to 7. Well done Di!!

Club Competitions in GC

Competitions in progress in MCC this month:

Geoff Grist Ladder commenced in May. You can enter any time and there will be prizes awarded each month. All who have entered this competition should contact other contestants personally, to arrange games. There will be occasional Sunday Ladder Days, but the bulk of the games should be arranged between individuals.

Top 10 Challenge is by invitation to the ten top-ranked players in our club who are able to complete round-robin games with the others in the group, during May-July. All contestants should contact others personally, to arrange the matches.

Martyn Prins Trophy

The Martyn Prins Trophy was held on Sun 18 May with 24 club members participating. It was a full day, beautiful weather and full of enthusiasm. Games were gripping till the very last moment of play, when **Vaughn Pairman and Helen Collins** snatched the Trophy from the grasp of **Cali Craig and Heather Sherlock** before an enthusiastic supporting crowd. Thank you to Michael Morton-Evans for refereeing.

For more photos, go to the website Photo Gallery.



Finalists Heather Sherlock and Cali Craig and winners Vaughn Pairman and Helen Collins, umpired by Michael Morton-Evans

Friday Morning Singles

Singles games on Friday mornings are **now open to all members** seeking to improve their skills. Arrive by 9:15am, to be randomly allocated with other players. Everybody is welcome, however you may have to wait for a game on some days where there are more players than places.

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

Club Matters:

Arrangements for Play during Club Play sessions

At times there has been some misunderstanding of Club Play sessions. Club Play has priority, however if a lawn is free once Club Play is in progress then members are welcome to use the vacant lawn for competition or for different types of croquet.

For clarification, see "Arrangements for Play" accompanying the MCC Weekly Programme of Play.

New Club Members

Welcome to new members this month:

Bill Phillips, Stan Dumbrell and **Greg Deakin**, and also to returning member **Meg Gardiner**.

A reminder.....

Don't forget to sign-in every time you come to play. This is very important a) for your insurance, b) for us to know how frequently our club is being utilised, and c) for you to know what lawns have been booked.

NOTE: Competitors should book their matches in the Sign-in Book closest to their required lawn.

The Odd Shot.....

Hero Battles on a Friday!

Last week we witnessed a mighty fight between **Ann Tobin** and **Dick Small**, at the Friday morning GC singles.

Whilst Ann was the eventual victor, we were greatly impressed by Dick's amazing clearing shots, from difficult positions, during the contest.

See you on the Lawns!!

