



## Wonderful News!! Club Re-Opens Wednesday 6 May 2020.

Our Club has been closed since 27 March 2020, due to COVID-19 restrictions. We now have government approval to re-open for **restricted** play. The club has drawn up Conditions to meet CNSW requirements, so that our members can continue to enjoy playing (*see below*).

### Re-OPENING of MCC Lawns

There are specific conditions under which we may play. It is most important to observe the following:

- Players use MCC at their own risk.
- **DO NOT COME** to the Club if you have ANY COLD OR 'FLU SYMPTOMS.

Anyone coming to play croquet must agree to abide by the requirements – to protect each other, and to keep our club open.

#### These are the Conditions for Play:

1. Singles games, only – 2 players on the lawn
2. Book in advance – use on-line booking system. Book 2-hour periods, max twice per week.
3. Maintain standard COVID-19 precautions:
  - Social distancing 1.5 metres, to be maintained at all times.
  - Hands to be sanitized/washed prior to and at the end of play.
4. Do not congregate on club premises: arrive just before your booking time and leave as soon as finished.
5. Last booking cleans and puts away the hoops and balls.
6. Do not use clubhouse at all – unless for toilet or washing hands
7. Bring own drinking water.

An Online Booking system has been established to enable everyone to book BEFORE coming to the Club.

If you need any help making your booking, phone

**Anthea Piddington:** 0401 070 855

**Fidye Westgarth:** 0419 703 050

**Penny Paterson:** 0409 848 309

### Lawn Booking System

The usual Weekly Program of Club Play has been suspended for the time being, and no more than 2 persons allowed on a lawn at any time.

**Ron Humpherson** has done a great job establishing an on-line booking system for players to book lawns during this temporary period of restricted play.

**PLAYERS NEED TO BOOK BEFORE THEY COME TO PLAY.** With only 8 people playing on our lawns at any one time, there is less opportunity than usual for our members to play, **so please make no more than 2 bookings per week.**

To make a booking, you need to arrange a partner to play with (in advance), and you must agree to abide by the club's Conditions. Members open the booking system from the MCC website:

<https://www.mosmancroquet.org.au/>



Click on **BOOKING SYSTEM** on the Home page. This opens the "Playing Conditions during Coronavirus". Instructions describing how you register and use the booking system are provided beneath the Playing Conditions.

#### Need a Partner?

If you feel awkward about phoning people to come and play with you – DON'T WORRY!!!

Be brave and phone other members, or click on the

**Need a Partner?** button on the website

Homepage. Also, you can put your name on the contact list, showing your availability, and others can contact you.

## Club Activities Update

### Lots of People to Thank

Whilst the lawns at Mosman Croquet Club have appeared very quiet, there has been a lot of work continuing behind the scenes.

It's been great receiving our **President Mary's** letters each week, keeping us up to date with what is happening. Mary has been working tirelessly in communication with Ministry of Sport, to convince them to permit the Club to open again. We've also enjoyed her croquet tips !

**Cali Craig** has been very proactive with shopping around for suitable cleaning supplies and sanitisers, etc, to assist club members for whenever the club might be open again.

**The Grounds Team**, led by Hugh Lander, has continued to keep watch over the club, keeping the measurements and lawn markings clear whilst the lawns have been growing prolifically. They have recently redug the hoop holes, in readiness for return to play.

Did you all notice the flag flying at half-mast on ANZAC Day ? – thank you **Tony**.

And the Web-team, led by **Ron Humpherson**, has livened up the website encouraging members to submit entries, funnies, poems and songs to keep us entertained whilst stuck at home. Also Michael Morton-Evans' rules quiz every few days – to keep you guessing.

In addition, 'Thank you' to the club members who have been helping Fidy to test the on-line booking system – to see how it works on different devices and new- and old-style computers.

**KEEP WELL.....**

**See you on the Lawns!!**



## Other Matters:

### The Annexe and the Sewer.....

Unfortunately we have some sewer problems at The Annexe, and it is taking some time to get the work completed. Please **DON'T USE any of the kitchen and bathroom sink and toilet fittings** in The Annexe, until the signs are removed.

### Club Subscriptions

It's that time of year again when we call for renewal of club membership. Our club financial year is 1 June to 31 May each year, and a letter and invoice has been circulated to all members seeking renewal of subscriptions, **paid by 31 May 2020**.

With our new lease now finalised and registered, we need to move forward and focus on being ready for competition play during the rest of 2020.

### SAVE THE DATE:

**"The Mosman Bash" AC Tournament re-scheduled to 4-6 September: Helpers needed**

**Golf Croquet NSW Division 3 Championships, at Mosman: 15-19 July 2020**

If this goes ahead..... Competitors and helpers are needed

### Your Health

It has been such a difficult time for all, during the coronavirus shutdown, and we know many have missed their croquet. We do hope you are keeping well during this time.

Think about putting the corona virus app on your phone. It may help our society to get back to normal more quickly, and to limit the spread of COVID-19.