



MCC Newsletter – October 2019

Diary Dates:

The Mosman Prize, 1-3 Nov – more Volunteer help needed

Put your name on the list of helpers, at the Clubhouse or on-line.

Please note the Lawns will be unavailable for usual play over this period, until after 3:00pm on Sunday.

Melbourne Cup Lunch on Tues 5 Nov 2019: Sweeps and Games – Come and join the fun

No cost – BYO lunch and drinks. See Flyer circulated 20/10/2019

MCC CHRISTMAS PARTY!!! SAVE THE DATE – Sunday 8 December 2019 (late afternoon).

Korean Gateball Team, visiting MCC on 22 Nov: Members are encouraged to come and watch, as well as to join in some of the games. (Lawn 1 is booked for the visit).

What's not to understand about this?

Our Grounds Team work in collaboration with our greenskeeper, and donate many hours of their own time to make our lawns the best they can for us.

When they close a lawn it is for good intention, and it may be for one day or several days.

Lawns can be closed for various reasons, eg a particular lawn may have been sprayed with insecticide where shoes, balls and hands should not be exposed to it, or the Grounds Team may have swung the hoops and repaired the 'rabbit runs' which then need a day for the repaired sections to settle. At other times the greenskeeper fertilises the lawns, or asks to 'rest' a lawn because of uneven wear and tear.



Recently seen were a couple of members removing a "Lawns Closed" sign to then play on that lawn, regardless. We know most members would not do this. Thank you to all for observing the request.

Any members who remove "Lawn Closed" signs are risking the health of the lawns, as well as their own.

Re: **GUR signs in the corner** of some of the lawns – this means "Ground Under Repair". Members are asked to commence their GC games a yard to the right of the GUR signs.

Association Croquet Update

Florence Scott Trophy, 2019

The Florence Scott Trophy is a special singles competition for AC players with handicap of 18 and over. All players receive 10-12 bisques, which are like "Get out of jail free" cards.

This is a great opportunity for the newer players to experience competition play.

This year there were six entrants. The Competition was won by **Fidye Westgarth**, with runner-up **Bronwyn McGrane**.



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

Golf Croquet Update

MCC GC Championships, 2019

It has been great to see the enthusiasm of the GC players entering the club championship competition. This year there were:

9 entrants in the Club Championship (up to 19 hoops)

6 entrants in Division 1 Championship

11 entrants in Division 2 Championship

14 entrants in Division 3 Championship

Most of the games have been played, and finals are now starting for Division 2 & 3, as well as for Club Championship. The play-offs between finalists

may wait till after The Mosman Prize (to save the lawns).



Congratulations to **Denis Edleston** who very clinically won this year's **GC Division 1** competition – undefeated!!

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

Club Matters:

THE MOSMAN PRIZE, 1-3 Nov

Thank you to all those who have already volunteered to help with the various jobs involved in hosting The Mosman Prize. We still need many more helpers, so that the load is shared across a large number of people.

Our visitors greatly enjoy meeting our members, as they help out: cakes, timekeepers, serving lunch, etc. **Please put your name on the list at the Clubhouse**, or else on-line via the MCC website: <https://www.mosmancroquet.org.au/events/mosman-prize-volunteers-needed-members-only>

The event will finish around 2:30pm with Prize Giving held as soon as the finals are completed.

New Awning

It's been on the committee's "To do" list since 2012 and at last we have our new retractable awning along the western verandah of the Clubhouse. It opens using the remote control device inside the Clubhouse, and closes itself if the day is too windy.

We are so pleased to have the awning installed before The Mosman Prize – thanks largely to **Mary**

Gibson and to **Hugh Lander** and **Tony Michaels** for all their efforts in searching suppliers and getting the job done.



PLEASE NOTE, if the awning is extended: Would the last person leaving the club ensure that it is closed.

MCC Open Day, Festival of Mosman

Thank you to those who gave up part of their day to help out at the Open Day on 19 October. We had around 33 visitors come and play, including 8 children. Our guests had a great time, and there was lots of laughter. This is a great way to promote croquet in the community.

Croquet NSW: Christmas Party, 6/12/19

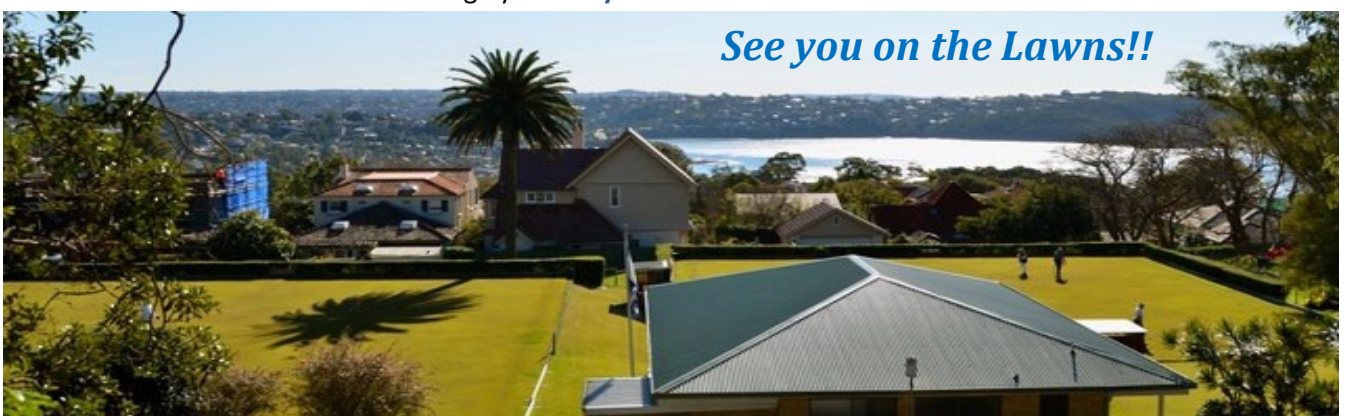
We have received an invitation from CNSW to come to an end of year Croquet Celebration and celebration of John Eddes (retiring from Board of CNSW) to be held **10:00-2:00 on Friday 6 Dec. at Tempe**. The Board will be providing a light lunch and refreshments, and there will be some Gala Day and fun games with prizes and a Christmas lucky door prize.

Do let Fidy know by 25 Nov, if you would like to attend with the group from Mosman.

New Club Members

Welcome to new Club member, **Michael Chang**, who recently joined MCC.

For other information, news and photos go to <https://www.mosmancroquet.org.au>.



See you on the Lawns!!