



NEWSLETTER

MAY 2023

DIARY DATES TO REMEMBER

SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW DUE – If you haven't received your subscription notice, can you please contact Penny at info@mosmancroquet.org.au.

SATURDAY JULY 1 - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023-24 – Notices will be sent out shortly.

GENERAL UPDATES

SOCIAL SUNDAYS - last month was a washout due to horrific weather. Next Social Sunday will be 4 June. Same format of play as Wed/Sat. Everyone **welcome**.

BANDICOOTS – We have been persevering with damaged lawns on 3-4 hoping, as they did last year, they would find a new home once the cold weather arrived. Sadly the damage has increased so Scott will be installing new sensors on both lawns 3-4. Thank you to all members who have patted the lawns down daily so play would not be interrupted.

CODE OF CONDUCT – The Committee is reviewing a Code of Conduct for members. As soon as this has been settled, it will be forwarded to members and a copy placed in the notice board.

MAHJONG – Every Wednesday – 11.30 am.

CLUB CLOTHING – Winter is now upon us and people may be wanting some warmer Club gear. There is a list in the Clubhouse with the sizes and prices if you wish to order something. We had added sloppy joes to the clothing available for purchase. For any queries, please contact Madeleine Gray, email: madeleinegray@hotmail.com mobile 0414 531 357

MOTHER'S DAY LUNCH was a great success. The sun was out and members were able to enjoy a glass of bubbles on the veranda before moving inside for a delicious luncheon.

Many thanks to **Marlene Thomas** for decorating the clubhouse with garland of pastel flags and flowers from her garden.

The beautiful Mother's Day raffle which was generously donated by **Maureen McCabe** was won by **Vicki Westfall**, one of our newer members.

PEST CONTROL the clubhouse has been plagued by ants for several weeks and Manly Pest Control is booked for this Wed to spray and hopefully irradiate the ant plague.

GC UPDATE

Gibson Trophy – And the winner is..... **Greg Deacon!** Congratulations Greg. Can I also congratulate the runners up, Peter Larsen, Sue Clubbe and Jim Clarke. What a wonderful competition made much better by seeing some members playing in their first tournament and from what I understand, enjoying themselves. A big thank you to Mary and Robert Gibson for making this tournament possible, for the catering team for putting on a great sausage sizzle and to our Lawns Team for ensuring the lawns were set up and made to look beautiful. All in all, it was a great success.

Martyn Prins – this has been deferred until September. More information will be provided in due course.

Division 3 Championships – This is about to begin – If you wish to enter, please place your name in the tournament folder near the computer. With everyone just finishing pennants and with the NSW Division 3 Championships in July, what a great way to get in some practice. This tournament is a singles tournament, level play. Entries will close at 1 June and the competition will go through to the end of July.

Pennants – Pennants is now coming to an end. So far (as at 15 May) the results are:

Div 2 Mosman White is presently tied with Elanora with Elanora ahead on count back. Both Mosman teams still have games to play so there is no clear winner.

Div 3 Chatswood, Mosman Blue and Mosman White all tied, however on count back (1) Chatswood (2) Mosman Blue (3) Mosman White

Handicaps/CNSW Division 3 Singles Championships – Are you a Division 3 player and would you like to have your handicap re-assessed by the Handicap Committee? The NSW Division 3 Singles Championships – 12 – 14 July is a great way for you to show the Committee how you are playing so give it a go and perhaps you will “trigger” and your handicap will change. Singles is such a great way to improve your skills – you get to hit two balls instead of just one and this tournament will give you tournament experience at your home Club. The Division 3 doubles is also taking place. Depending on numbers this will be either a two or three day event. For more information, please contact Penny Paterson on 0409 848 309

As usual with a tournament, we will be requiring lots of volunteers including time keepers, sandwich makers, cake and slice makers and help generally so if you can't play, please try and come along and help in some way. A volunteers list will be placed in the Club House closer to the event.

CNSW Division 3 Doubles Championships – NSW Division 3 Doubles Championships – 10 - 11 July, this is being hosted by the Chatswood Croquet Club. Grab a partner and give it a go! Depending on registrations this may be increased to a three day event.

Registrations for both these events are now open on the CNSW website so put your name down – if you need help registering, please contact Penny Paterson who will talk you through the registration process.

Manly Seabreeze – this was held last week at Manly and Mosman did quite well, In the singles Rob Wright came second with John Fransen third in Block A and in the doubles, Rob Wright came second in Block A; John and Leslie Fransen third in Block B; In Block C, Ron Humpherson and Lynda Barnes **WON** with Joanne Nimmons and Heather Sherlock coming in second. Well done everyone. It was a great tournament.

AC UPDATE

AC Club Championship games are in progress.

AC Pennants

Because some clubs were having difficulties forming pennants teams in recent years, Croquet NSW has made some changes to the structure of Pennants this year.

There will be 2 levels of Pennants, and games will be handicapped:

Bronze Pennants - for players with Handicaps 14-20.

Open Handicap Pennants is a new category: for players of any level.

Mosman is aiming to provide a team at Bronze and at Open level. We need to have teams of 4 or more for each category. If you are interested, can you contact Fidy Westgarth.

COACHING UPDATE

Denis Edleston very kindly ran a clinic on extra turns to prepare players entering the Gibson Trophy. We shall endeavour to hold a similar session before the Martin Prins.

With pennants happening and the lawns been busy with pennants, there have been no other formal coaching sessions.

LOST AND FOUND

New Section – Can everyone check their fleecy's please. I have someone's Mosman fleecy and they have a Manly one. Not sure they want to be wearing a Manly logo!

UP AND COMING TOURNAMENTS?

For your information we now have a folder in the Clubhouse with some of the flyers for various Club tournaments which are happening around New South Wales. This folder is kept near the computer and the competition folders. These are just some of the tournaments that are coming up –

Club Events

June

Sat 3rd - Sun 4th	Gateball	Newcastle National Park - Gateball Triples
Sat 3rd - Sun 4th	AC	Cammeray Birthday Tournament
Mon 19th - Fri 23rd	AC	Urunga AC Carnival

July

Sat 1st - Sun 2nd	GC	Newcastle National Park - Golf Doubles Carnival
Mon 24th - Fri 28th	AC	Port Macquarie 2023 AC Carnival

August

Fri 4th - Mon 7th		Sawtell 4 days of GC
Mon 28th - Sat 2nd September	AC	Forster Spring Carnival 2023

CNSW Events (not in folder)

June

Mon 5th - Wed 7th	AC	Platinum Singles	at CHATSWOOD, maybe only 2 days
Mon 5th - Tue 6th	Ricochet	NSW Division 3 Doubles	at STRATHFIELD
Wed 7th - Fri 9th	Ricochet	NSW Division 3 Singles	at STRATHFIELD
Fri 9th - Mon 12th	AC	Beryl Chambers State Handicap - - Final series	at TEMPE
Thu 15th - Fri 16th	GC	Division 2 Doubles	at NOWRA
Sat 17th - Mon 19th	GC	Division 2 Singles	at NOWRA
Sat 17th - Mon 19th	GC	Division 2 Singles WAITING LIST	at NOWRA
Wed 28th - Thu 29th	GC	Advantage Doubles	at BALLINA and BYRON BAY, possibly 3 days
Fri 30th - Sun 2nd July	GC	Advantage Singles	at BALLINA and BYRON BAY, possibly only 2 days

July

Fri 7th - Sun 9th	GC	NSW Open Doubles	at TEMPE
Mon 10th - Tue 11th	GC	Division 3 Doubles	at CHATSWOOD, might be 3 days
Wed 12th - Fri 14th	GC	Division 3 Singles	at MOSMAN, maybe only 2 days
Fri 14th - Sat 15th	Ricochet	NSW Division 2 Doubles	at TORONTO
Sun 16th - Tue 18th	Ricochet	NSW Division 2 Singles	at TORONTO
Mon 24th - Wed 26th	AC	Bronze Brooch	at CAMMERAY
Sat 29th - Sun 30th	AC	Eva Short Memorial Trophy	at TEMPE, NSW women only
Sat 29th - Sun 30th	AC	Win Dickinson Memorial Trophy	at TEMPE, NSW Women only
Mon 31st - Wed 2nd August	GC	Silver Brooch	at SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS

For further information go to the Croquet NSW website for flyers and registration forms. If you want help navigating the CNSW website, give Penny a call on 0409 848 309.