



# THE CROQUET PLAYER

*Kingston Croquet Club Inc.*

## February 2020

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**Sub Committee Chairs:** Maintenance – Peter Tracey:

Social/Fundraising – Margaret Pinkard: Finances – Tony Hocking: Events – Peter Tracey

**TCA Representative:** Bob Beattie

### Scheduled days for Social Play.

**Please Note:** Draws for play are conducted at 9:55 am for the morning session and 12.55 pm for the afternoon session, so please try to arrive prior to the draws.

Please consider bringing something for morning or afternoon tea to share.

	Morning	Afternoon
<b>Monday</b>	Association	Golf Croquet
<b>Tuesday</b>	Association	Play by arrangement
<b>Wednesday</b>	Play by arrangement	Golf Croquet
<b>Thursday</b>	Association	Play by arrangement
<b>Friday</b>	Golf Croquet	Play by arrangement
<b>Saturday</b>	Association	Association and Golf
<b>Sunday</b>	Play by arrangement	Play by arrangement

### Housekeeping Roster

2 Feb - 15 Feb 20

Deirdre Parker and Sue Nolan

16 Feb - 29 Feb 20

Margaret Pinkard

1 Mar- 14 Mar 20

Di Hollier and Margaret Fleming

### What's in this Newsletter

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### Dates for your Diary

- **Thursday 5th March:**  
Social BBQ at the club
- **Saturday 14th March:**  
Bunnings Fundraising BBQ

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## ***Member Achievements:***

Congratulations to Peter Ross who won both the Tasmanian Association Croquet Men's Open and Open Championship in January.

Kingston was also well represented in the top 5 players of the Association Croquet Men's Open Championship with 4 of our members taking out the first 5 positions: Peter Ross – 1<sup>st</sup>, Rob McAdam - 3<sup>rd</sup>, Tim Parker – 4<sup>th</sup> and Zok Malceski – 5<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to Elaine Roomes, who won the Association Croquet Doubles Championship with Leigh Herrington (New Town)

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## ***Upcoming Tournaments***

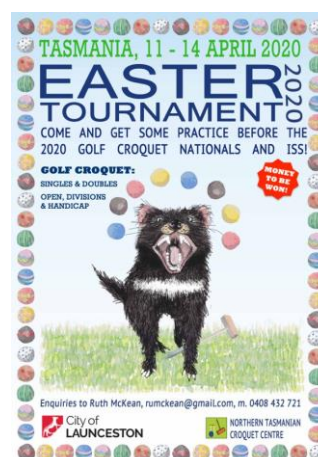
NRCC Golf Croquet Doubles - Feb 22 – 23

Entries close 14th Feb

<https://croquettas.com/nrcc-doubles-feb-22-23/>

2020 Easter Tournament (see poster on notice board)

[Click Here to download an entry form](#)



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## ***Twilight Croquet***

Twilight Croquet has now been running for a month and has been very well attended. Players have enjoyed good company, food and have had lots of fun.

Why don't you bring along family, and a friend/neighbour or two to enjoy a great Sunday evening?

- Open to all members and friends
- For both Golf and Association play
- \$5.00 to play
- Finish with a sausage sizzle - \$2.00 per sausage
- Drinks available for purchase



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## ***Bushfire Fundraiser***

A big thank you to all members and visitors who attended Twilight Croquet on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January for the Bushfire Fundraiser Event.

The event raised \$2000 which has been donated to the Kangaroo Island Wildlife Park.

Have a look at the photos on display in the clubhouse – thanks Robbie





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## ***Subscriptions are due by 27 February 2020***

If you have not received an invoice for the 2020 subscriptions, please contact Tony Hocking

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## ***Lawn Fees***

As from the beginning of February lawn fees have changed to \$5 for each of the first two visits with \$10 maximum payable each week.

Lawns fees for visitors is now \$6 (except for Pennant games where lawn fees will remain at \$5.)

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## ***Norfolk Island Convicts Croquet Cup***



Are you interested in combining travel and croquet? If so then this social croquet tournament might be for you.

See the poster on the noticeboard or go to:

<https://www.goseetouring.com/escorted-tours/norfolk-island-croquet-convicts-cup/>

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## ***Redevelopment Sub-committee***

The Executive committee are calling for **Expression of Interest** from members of the Club to be part of a Redevelopment Sub-committee.

The role of this sub-committee is to consider proposals for redevelopment of the Club's facilities and make recommendations to the Executive Committee.

A time frame within which to report back to the Executive Committee will be established through negotiation with the Executive Committee.

If you are interested in joining this Committee, please talk to one of the Executive Committee members

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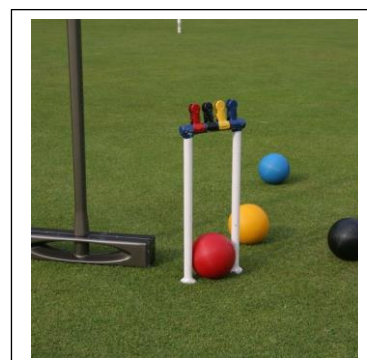
## ***Reminders***

### **Caring for the Lawns and Equipment**

We have the best lawns in Tasmania, if not in Australia.

It is important that we ALL take care of the lawns.

You can do your bit by doing these simple things:



1. Brush off any dirt and wash and dry the hoops before putting them away
2. Replace any divots – see “Repairing Damage to the Lawn” article *(courtesy of East Dorset Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club, UK)*

### **Repairing Damage to the Lawn**

*From time to time we all cause damage to a lawn, usually by taking a divot with the leading edge of our mallet. It's important to repair any damage to the lawn immediately, doing so improves the chances that it will be successful. The divot needs to be replaced but not before the displaced soil has been gently teased back and loosened with a divot repairer/fork. Once the area is loosened place the divot back into place and tread in with the sole of your flat shoe.*

(East Dorset Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club, UK)

### **Etiquette on the Lawns**

- Do not distract players by walking about, talking loudly, catching their eye, etc. Do not stand directly behind them watching them shoot, or directly in front of them on the line of aim.
- Stand still and be quiet while a shot is played.
- Be sensitive to your opponent during matches with respect to conversation. Some players do not welcome remarks during a game.
- Play as quickly as possible. Try to decide before your opponent has finished a turn what you are going to do next to avoid wasting time. In doubles matches, do not carry out unnecessarily long discussions with your partner when it is your side's turn to play.
- Do not walk across the line of aim of the other player or game.

#### **When double-banking:**

- Ask the other game if you can mark and lift any of their balls that may be at risk from your play.
- Always err on the cautious side before you strike your ball. Even if you are playing well, nothing is more annoying to the other game than having to try to guess where a critical ball was.
- Playing of a critical ball should take precedence over all other play.
- If you do mark and lift a ball, make certain that the player in play in the other game realises that you have done so.
- Always keep an eye out to ensure that you do not impede the other game.
- Do not leave your mallet lying on the lawn inside the “playing” area.