# NORTH ADELAIDE CROQUET CLUB NEWSLETTER

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# The NorthWood Friendlies

Congratulations to the team who successfully defeated Norwood in the *NorthWood Friendlies* match, which was held at our Club on the 28 May - well done. This friendly competition between our Club and the Norwood Croquet Club was established in 2014 and it is the first time we have held the trophy - see details below for more exciting details. Sue is cock-a-hoop about the win, as you can see from her smile.

### **Notes from the President**

Your Croquet Club Needs You! and the continued success of the club depends on all of us.

Congratulations to Sue Huddy and Helen Cook for running a very successful *NorthWood Friendlies*. The atmosphere was fantastic and we all had great fun. We won! Hooray to us.

### **Committee Information**

Please all give some serious thought to the future of our Club. Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, 5 August 2017 and it seems, we desperately need Committee members. The following positions will become vacant this year:

President (2 year appointment); Vice-president (2 year appointment); Secretary (2 year appointment); Treasurer (2 year appointment); Grounds Manager (2 year appointment); and Floor Member x 2 (1 year appointment).

Continuing positions: Association Croquet Captain and Golf Croquet Captain. We are hoping our members will come forward to support our club off the courts as well as on them.

If you feel you can contribute, please speak to a current Committee member for further information.

A light lunch will follow the AGM, which is provided by our Sponsor, Alfred James.

**Members Survey** - A list of pertinent questions, have been compiled and placed in the pigeonholes. The purpose is to try to discover how satisfied all our members are with all aspects of our club. Please take the time to fill it in and return it, to either one of us, by the end of June. You may do so anonymously if wish but names would be appreciated. Please be honest, we sincerely hope that any repercussions will be positive ones. (Joe Driver and Sue Huddy).

# Association Croquet News: notes from Kay Seeary, Association Croquet Captain

All enjoying these balmy Autumn/Winter days, but not a lot of activity on the competition front. Division 2 and 3 are still competing in Saturday Premierships, with only a few more matches to played for this year. Presentation will be at SACA in December.

Good to see Alf Schantl is back and walking well again after another hip replacement (his third). Jenny Mitchell is recovering from a nasty lump on her ankle was removed. Lots of members are taking the opportunity to go for their holidays at this time of the year. namely, lain and Carolyne, Kevin and Sue, Janet and her Canadian friend.

It was good for our Club to have a great win in our Annual Competition against Norwood recently. This competition is called the *Northwood Friendlies*, which was instigated three years ago by Sue Huddy (congratulations Sue). It has been a good social and competitive exchange with the Norwood club winning the last two, but <u>North Adelaide were successful this time</u>, and now have our name on the silver cup.

Please all look out for the entry forms for the North Adelaide Games to be played in October and November. We will need as many entries from Club members as possible. Lets make this year a good one!

Good fellowship and good croquet to all.

# Golf Croquet News: notes from Lynne Hughes, Golf Croquet Captain

We had a resounding win against Victor Harbour on Saturday, 10 June (score was 5 games to 1). Congratulations to the team, it was a great effort.

Congratulation to Norma and Sue for winning the GC Doubles Individual 6+ at Hutt Road from 13-15 June. I understand that it went down to the last hoop - well done!

#### Notes from the Groundsman

The last garage sale was held on Saturday, 3 June and thank you to all the members who helped out on the day. A reminder to members to bring along any odds and ends for the trading table, goods not purchased will be sold at the next garage sale. Joe has organised for a non-profit organisation to collect excess books not sold at our garage sales.

# Notes from the Bar Member

The bar work party was conducted on the 12 June and was very successful - well done Dan. The award winning *Cape Thomas Sauvignon Blanc* (aroma: guava, fresh mown hay and passionfruit) is now available to drink from the bar, this is a very nice drop and recently won a gold medal in Melbourne Wine Show. Winter warmers: Guinness Draught; Kilkenny; Black Douglas Whisky & Cola; and Holsten's (alcohol free beer) are also available.

Coffee is once again available from the bar, as a new pod machine has been purchased. This alleviates the issue of having to wander down to the kitchen to heat up the jug, however at a cost of \$1.00 per cup. If you have a Woolworths coffee machine, speak to Dan as he has some pods to get rid off - first in, first served.

The last Winedown held on Friday, 16 June was very successful, with 26 members and friends participating. Thanks to Lynne and Kath for organising dinner, which was scrumptious; and Tamara for organising the raffle - well done to those people who purchased a raffle ticket and those who won a prize.



# It's all about the Game

took the lovely silver cup and accompanying record book home with them. In 2016 Norwood was the host and 16 of our members headed over to try to bring the cup home. Unfortunately Norwood were successful again, winning 14 games to our 10, and we came home empty handed. 2017 and it was our turn to host again, and when I saw the handicap listing for the Norwood players, my hopes plummeted, but, dear members, we did it. We won the coveted cup, winning 13 of our games to Norwood's 11. Please gaze lovingly at the cup and handle it with care to keep it shiny. Those who took part: read your names, which are written in the record book, a testament forever to our first winning team. Those who didn't take part, make sure to get involved next year. It will be the last Sunday



in May and 16 of us will go to Norwood with fire in our bellies in the hope of bringing the cup back again.

These days are extremely enjoyable, with each member taking part becoming part of a team of four who play 3 doubles games together. Two games before lunch and one afterwards. Lunch, of soup and sandwiches, is provided by the host club, for a small cost per head. Wine is self-serve at a very reasonable cost, and the day finishes with a slap-up afternoon tea of sweet delights. I thank everyone who was involved this year, you all helped make it a brilliant day. Janet for doing all the shopping and setting up the rooms so appealingly. Kay M., Joan C., and Judith T. who took care of all the catering and kitchen duties - what a fine lunch. Kay M. was our scorer. Those who set up the courts, helped with the cleaning up; those who very generously donated soups and sweets; and of course, all who took part in the games and played so well. We could not have done it without a single one of you. (Sue Huddy)

**Golf Croquet 6+ Doubles Tournament** - Norma and Sue played in this three day tournament at Hutt Road this week and they are very pleased to say won the event. Kay McTavish-Cooke and Russell Stringer (newcomer to croquet) also competed and did extremely well.

**Golf Croquet Country Week Doubles** - Sue and Norma also participated in the Country Week Doubles last month, where they were paired with country partners – Sue and her partner from Aldinga club won the event and Norma and her partner, also from Aldinga were third -well done.

**GC Club Champion Ladder Challenge** - a reminder that this challenge finishes one week before the Club AGM. Get on the ladder now.

**Sunday Singles** - please see the flyer on the GC notice board and sign up for any or all of the following Sundays - June 4 and 18, July 2, 16 and 30. This is for club members, who want a chance to improve their singles play, for competitions, eg the Spring Pennants. Maximum 16, minimum 4 players. From 1 to 3 pm - for 2 games v different opponents. Followed by bar time and croquet discussions. We will focus on strategies, rules, court etiquette and confidence in filling out HC cards. If you want any further information please talk to Sue Huddy.

**Introduction to Gateball** - an experienced interstate Gateball player provided an introductory training/ strategy session at our Club on Sunday 11 June - well done Trevor for participating.

**Notice Board** - there are lots of flyers on the notice board if you are interested in playing in competitions or social games.



#### Social Events in the Club

#### **Up and Coming Events**

**Social Lunch** - the next lunch will be at the Windmill Hotel on Tuesday, 4 July at 12 pm. Lynne is the point of contact, so put your name down on the list and enjoy the company of club members.

Sausage Sizzle - the next sausage sizzle will be held on Saturday, 24 June, so put your name on the list if you would like to attend.

*Musical Entertainment Afternoon* - come along for an enjoyable afternoon on Sunday, 17 September commencing at 1 pm.

#### **Other Events**



**Mah Jong** - The North Winds Mah Jong Group plays Mah Jong on Friday evenings from 7-10 pm on a fortnightly basis. For further information, go to their website at <a href="https://northwindmahjong.wordpress.com/about/">https://northwindmahjong.wordpress.com/about/</a>.



*Scrabble* - interested in playing scrabble? The scrabble group plays on Saturday afternoons, commencing at 1 pm.



**Prospect Oval** (home games) - Roosters vs South Adelaide on Saturday 1 July; and Roosters vs Norwood, 15 July; Rosters vs Eagles on Saturday 22 July; Roosters vs Adelaide on 12 August; and Rosters vs Port Adelaide on 26 August. A reminder to place a parking slip on your dashboard if you are playing on these days.

#### **Websites of Interest**

**NACC Website** - Alf has been updating our web page - go to http://www.nacc-inc.club/index.html. If you have any details to add, send these to Janet Willshire.

Croquet SA, Hoop Points Newsletter, June 2017 - http://www.croquetsa.com.au/wp-content/uploads/ 2012/11/Hoop-Points-June-2017-11.pdf

Dates of Importance - Save the Date

07/07/2017 04/08/2017	AC Singles
	AC Singles
05/08/2017	Annual General Meeting
17/09/2017	Musical Entertainment Afternoon
06/10/2017 -	North Adelaide Games
27/10/2017	GC Swiss (Friday 6, 13, 20, 27/10/2017)
	AC Swiss (Friday 3, 10, 17, 24/11/ 2017)
	GC Invitation Singles (Saturday, 4/11 & Sunday, 5/11/2017)
	AC Invitation Singles (Saturday, 25/11 & Sunday, 26/11/2017)
02/12/2017	Christmas Lunch (to be confirmed)
23/12/2017	Last official day of play.

# **Newsletters**

A reminder that this Newsletter is a collaborate effort from members of the club. If you have something to add, please email it to Tamara or place any articles for inclusion in her pigeon hole. Sue and Norma have been updating the Club's contact list and are collecting member's email addresses. If you have not received your newsletter electronically and you have an email address, please update your details or send you details to tamara.rebbeck@bigpond.com. A small number of copies will be printed off in hardcopy for those members who do not have an email address. Note, a copy will also be uploaded to our web page.

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