

NORTH ADELAIDE CROQUET CLUB NEWSLETTER

Menzies Crescent, Prospect 5082

Lighting Grant



In previous editions of the newsletter we have kept you informed of the Marshall Government’s election promise to upgrade the lighting on courts 1-3. On Saturday, 7 July the Hon Rachael Sanderson MP, Minister for Child Protection and Hon Corey Wingard MP, Minister of Sport, Recreation & Racing presented a cheque to the Club - thank you all those members who supported this event. William is the Project Manager for this work and has been working hard with ECO Lighting at Prospect, who will be carrying out the work. It is anticipated that the lights will be installed sometime in September, so the courts will be ready for the Spring Pennants.

Notes from the President

SACA will be holding the *Australian Handicap Singles Championships* in Adelaide later in the year. As we have four courts, we will be assisting. Our club reputation as a well run and caring place make us very capable of doing it.

Thank you to Joe for his excellent plumbing work in the Old Clubrooms. It was a big job and saved the club a lot of money.

Committee Information

There have been a number of changes to the Management Committee and Club positions, following the AGM and the last Management meeting. Take some time to get to know the new incumbents, so you know who to approach when you have a query.

Your new Management Committee (as at 21 July 2018)

President	Kevin LePoidevin
Vice-President	Dan O’Connell
Secretary	Tamara Rebbek
Treasurer	Alf Schantl
Captain (Association Croquet)	Sue LePoidevin
Captain (Golf Croquet)	Janet Willshire
Floor Members	Sue Huddy & Gayle Searle.



Club Members with Special Duties (as at 13 August 2018)

Assistant Treasurer	Jocelyn Swalling
Assistant Secretary	Norma Greig
Events Organiser	Sue Huddy
Social Convenor	Lynn Hughes



Publicity & Membership Officers	Lynn Hughes; Sue Huddy & Norma Greig
House Manager	Janice Liz
Bar Manager	Dan O'Connell
Vice-Captain (AC)	Kay Seeary
Vice-Captain (GC)	Gayle Searle
Booking Officer	Annette Clark
Child Safety Officer	Sue LePoidevin
Delegate to SACA	Kevin LePoidevin
Editor - Newspaper	Tamara Rebbeck
First Aid Officer	Dan O'Connell
Grants Writer	Sue & Kevin LePoidevin
Purchasing Officer	Kath Dipasquale
Trading-Table Organiser	Sue LePoidevin
Bar Committee	Dan O'Connell
Social Committee	Lynn Hughes
Handicapper (AC)	Kay Seeary
Handicapper (GC)	Kevin LePoidevin.



If you are interested in one (or all) of the following positions, please advise the Secretary via email or in person:

- Club Coach
- Historian
- Assistant Ground
- Safety Officer
- Bar Committee
- Social Committee.

A letter of thanks has been sent to Alfred James for providing the delicious lunch we enjoyed following the AGM. Alfred James has been a sponsor of our Club for a number of years and we appreciate their support.

Working Bee - William is organising a working bee in September (date to be advised) to paint the old Clubhouse. If you are free, come along and help out - the more the merrier.

Notes from the Secretary

New First Aid Kit - We recently receive a new first aid kit from the City of Prospect. This has been installed in the kitchen, next to the defibrillator. If you use an item from this box and notice it is the last one, please let Dan know, so he can replenish the supplies.

SACA AGM - The Annual General Meeting of the South Australian Croquet Association will be held on Tuesday, 25 September at 10 am. If you are interested in nominating for a position on the Board or require any additional information about the AGM, look at the latest edition of Hoop Points.

Lawns at Hutt Road in Winter - If you are visiting Hutt Road to play in a competition or assist in managing an event, ensure you use the ramps and steps with handrails when exiting the lawns. This is especially important in wet weather to avoid slipping.

New Sunsmart Policy - Croquet SA has adopted a new policy from Croquet Australia, players are encouraged to read the new policy, which I have placed on the notice board or read the policy online at <https://www.croquetsa.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/AUSTRALIAN-CROQUET-ASSOCIATION-SUNSMART-POLICY-Final.pdf>.

Fridge/Freezer - Jane is now responsible for the content of the fridge & freezer. There is a pen on the fridge, please print your name and the date on any item you place into the fridge or freezer. Anything left in the fridge, which is more than 14 days old will be discarded.

People's Choice Community Lottery - If you have outstanding tickets for this lottery, please return them to Jocelyn ASAP. The Club has to return all books and money no later than Friday, 14 September. Prizes will be drawn on Tuesday, 9 October 2018 and published on the communitylottery.com.au website on Sunday, 14 October 2018. Thank you to Jocelyn for looking after this lottery once again and those members who supported our Club by purchasing a ticket, and good luck.

Notes from the Treasurer

Deposits/Receipts - A reminder that if you are depositing any money or submitting an invoice for Alf to payment, please fill in the *Deposit Slip* and place it with your money or receipt in a plastic envelope before putting it in the box. Unfortunately Alf's crystal ball is out of order!

2018-19 Subscription Fees - Invoices have now been distributed for this year's subscriptions. You have the following options:

In full	\$470.00	(Date due: 31/08/2018)
Half Yearly	\$295.00	(Date due: 31/08/2018)
	\$175.00	(Date due: 31/01/2019)
Quarterly	\$200.00	(Date due: 31/08/2018)
	\$ 90.00	(Date due: 31/10/2018)
	\$ 90.00	(Date due: 31/01/2019)
	\$ 90.00	(Date due: 31/04/2019)

There are payment options at the bottom of the invoice, these include:

For internet banking, pay "North Adelaide Croquet Club Inc.", Bank SA, BSB 105-068, Account Number 041359040 and put Invoice No. In the Reference field.

Or detach the bottom section of the invoice and return it with your payment by cheque to:

North Adelaide Croquet Club Inc.
C/- Alfred Schantl
9 Henry Avenue, Manningham SA 5086

Alf's preferred method of payment is via internet banking. For further details ring Alf on (08) 83690384 or via email at ajschantl@outlook.com.

Notes from the AC Captain (Captain : Janet Willshire & Vice-Captain : Kay Seary)

Saturday pennants continues, with the Division 4 Northbury team on the top of their division. Roger Harris is competing in the Division 4 singles at SACE. The *North Adelaide Games* play for Association Swiss Singles will be held on Friday 2, 9, 16 & 23 November; with the Invitations on Saturday 24 & Sunday 25 November; followed by the presentations at the conclusion of the Invitations.

It is still worth commenting on the great win South Australia had in this Eire Cup competition. It is quite a few years since our players were able to achieve this result after having been so very successful for many years. (At one time SA won this Cup more times than all the other States put together.) Our Thursday and Saturday club games continue to be fun and it is good to see our Division 4 players improving so well. There are some competitions run by SACA that would be good for some of our members to enter. Please keep your eye on the board for entry dates. Our Club is rostered to manage an event at Hutt Road from the 16-18 October. Good Croquet to All.

Notes from the GC Captain (Captain : Sue Le Poidevin & Vice-Captain : Gayle Searle)

Despite the cold, wintery weather we have still had reasonable to good turnouts and everyone seems to be enjoying their croquet. It is great to see so many people taking an interest in competitive games and enjoying the social aspect of competing with friends. As the weather improves I hope to be able to start the skill sessions again for those who are interested (and there are plenty of us keen to improve!). There is a renewed enthusiasm for the Club Challenges so, with Gayle's help, we will try to schedule as many as possible.

We will be entering teams in the Spring Pennants competition with games commencing in October. Matches will be played as a series of Home and Away games. Away matches are \$5 to be paid to the Team Captain. Handicap cards will be used.

If you are interested in playing in the Open Team (Thursday nights);
 6+ Team (Wednesday nights); or the
 9+ Team (Thursday nights).

Please let Sue Le Poidevin know (0411134161).

Notes from the Bar Member

Join us at the *Badger and Mallet* for the next Wine Down where the featured drink of the month is *Sailor Jerry's spiced rum* - just perfect for running off those Winter chills. New, New, New - just in Johnny Walker Black Label for your drinking pleasure! Your bar - the *Badger and Mallet* - will now be open on the 1st and 4th Sundays of the month from 1500 - 1700 (3pm-5pm), as well as our normal Wine Downs (3rd Friday). Bring along friends, enjoy good company, bar snacks, a game or two and the worlds cheapest drinks!



It's all about the Game

GC Handicap Singles Championship - Well done to Kevin LePoidevin; Sue LePoidevin; Norma Greig & William Pennino who were winners in this Championship.

NorthWood Friendlies - The *NorthWood* competition was held on the 27 May with Norwood hosting this event. 16 members competed in this event but unfortunately they were unable to bring home the Cup, losing the event 11 games to 13. As usual, Norwood was a great host.

2018 North Adelaide Games (Association Croquet only) - The AC Swiss Singles will be held on Friday 2, 9, 16 and 23 November; Invitation Singles will be held on Saturday, 24 and Sunday 25 November. Entries close on the 19 October and nomination forms are available on our website or from Janet. A meal will be available following the presentations, for players this is included in the entry fee and \$10 for guests. Note: the *North Adelaide Games* (Golf Croquet) has been rescheduled to next year, as the *Australian Handicap Singles Championships* are being played at our Club in October.

Introduction to Croquet "Come & Try" - This event will be run continuously throughout the year, with a sign out the front of the Club inviting people to come in and have a go. If you know of anyone who might be interested, mention it to Sue and invite them to come along.

GC Club Singles Championship - It's back on, the Club's *GC Ladder Challenge*? A reminder that if you want to play a challenge on Tuesday or Saturday morning, please check with Sue or Gayle for court availability.

Notice Board - there are lots of flyers on the notice board. If you are interested in playing in competitions or social games, keep any eye out for new flyers or speak to your Club Captain.

Australian Handicap Singles Championships - A new Golf Croquet competition will be held in South Australia and will run across a number of clubs. We will be supporting this competition with practice commencing on Tuesday 23 October, however normal play will continue on Tuesday & Thursday mornings; and all day Saturday. Kevin is the point of contact for our Club.

Social Events in the Club

Wine Down - The next Wine Down will be held on Friday, 21 September.

Sunday Sessions - If you have a few hours free on the 1st and 4th Sunday of the month, come along and enjoy a game or two (both codes) - the *Badger & Mallet* will be open with light bar snacks.

Social Program for 2018 - The next social function on the calendar will be a musical afternoon, which will be held on Friday, 12 October. Tickets are now available from Lynn, so bring along family and friends.

Trading Table - We are always looking for quality pre-loved clothing, books, jigsaw puzzles and household goods for the Trading Table. Items can be left in the named box near the table for Sue to price and display. All money raised goes towards keeping our great club operating well.

Member Enrichment Program - Are you interested in visiting the SAHMRI (SA Health Medical Research Institute) building? "SAHMRI is South Australia's first independent flagship health and medical research institute. We're home to more than 600 medical researchers, working together to tackle the biggest health challenges in society today." There are two options: a group tour on a Friday at 10 am (max. of 25 people) or a public tour at 12.30 pm on a Friday. It will cost members \$10 for the tour and members have to make their own way to the SAHMRI building. Tamara will place a list on the notice board, so if you are interested, add your name to the list (guest are also welcome). A proposed date for the public tour is Friday, 7 December but if we can get 25 names she will organise a group tour.



Up and Coming Events

Social Lunch - these social get-togethers are held on the first Tuesday of each month. The next lunch will be held on Tuesday, 4 September at 12 noon at a nearby hotel (determined the week prior to the lunch). Lynn is the point of contact, so put your name on the list and enjoy the company of club members.

Sausage Sizzle - the next sausage sizzle will be held on Saturday, 29 September, so put your name on the list if you would like to attend.

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 the President.

Croquet SA, Hoop Points Newsletter, the latest version is August 2018 - <https://www.croquetsa.com.au/newsletters/>.

Dates of Importance - Save the Date

21/07/2018	Annual General Meeting (AGM)
12/10/2018	Music afternoon
2, 9, 16, 23/11/2018	North Adelaide Games : AC Swiss Singles
24 & 25/11/2018	North Adelaide Games : Invitation Singles
08/12/2018	Social : Christmas Lunch.

A blast from the Past BE PREPARED: Scouts put their billy-boiling skills to the test at Heywood Park (date unknown); above, Guides Christine Kirby and Wendy Merrett of Bordertown, Janet Willshire of Millicent, and twins Janette and Michele Loughrey of Broken Hill, receiving certificates at Government House in 1966. (Reference: Advertiser Library).



Even rouges played croquet

Joe forwarded me an article which featured in the National Post about a *Billy the Kid photo, brought for \$2 and expected to sell for \$6.5M, shows gunslinger during game of croquet*. This photo was taken in 1878 and shows Billy The Kid and several members of his gang enjoying a game of croquet after a wedding. Henry McCarty (his birth name) was born in 1859 and he died at the age of 21, in 1881. He would have been around 19 when the photo was taken. To view the picture and full story, go to <https://au.askmen.com/news/entertainment/junk-shop-photo-of-billy-the-kid-valued-at-5-000-000.html>. Thanks for the suggestion Joe, it's a great photo but I'm glad our courts are better than the court they were playing on.

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. If you have not received your newsletter electronically and you have an email address, please update your details or send your details to tamara.rebbeck@bigpond.com. A small number of copies will be printed off in hardcopy for those members who do not use computers or electronic devices. Note, a copy will also be uploaded to our web page.

The North Adelaide Croquet Club is proudly sponsored by Alfred James Funeral Homes; Harris Real Estate; and the City of Prospect Council.