

NORTH ADELAIDE CROQUET CLUB

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WHAT'S ON AT OUR CLUB

CROQUET RESULTS

GC – Weekend pennants and finished and although we didn't win, well done to those members who participated.

GC – 30th September saw the last of the HC, GC, Singles at the NACC event which has been running since March. This was its second year, but the first for a trophy. I donated the trophy, the (ahem) Huddy Heart Medal. It was won by Penny Harper from Millswood with the runner-up being Barry Jennings from Hyde Park. It has been a great event, with some really good play and some very enjoyable 'bonding'. Subject to committee approval, the event will be offered again next year, so give it some thought. [Sue Huddy]

Come and Try Croquet

We were lucky enough to appear in the latest *City of Prospect Magazine* (Spring 2016), thanks to Norma. There is an article on page 22 under the active living section entitled *Come and Try Croquet*, advising readers that they can try their hand at wielding the mallet on Tuesday, Wednesday evenings, Thursday and Saturday. There used our pseudonym name, the *Prospect Croquet Club* in this article, but this is only a minor issue and no fault of Norma – the editor used some editorial licence while making a few changes. It is a good article and hopefully we get some exposure and new members.

Membership Drive – Lynn Hughes, Sue Huddy & Norma Greig

Sue and Norma need special thanks for caring for those few potential new members who braved the awful weather responding to our letter drop.

Introduction to Golf Croquet – Colin Pickering

Colin mentioned that we also appear in the latest WEA Course Guide (September-December 2016). The Club is running another *Introduction to Golf Croquet* course, commencing on the 27 October. This course goes for four weeks and will be run on Thursday evenings, starting at 7 pm. Participants will be invited to our Wine Down on the 18 November 2016.

Coaching

Coaching was organised for new members and Robert Weaver was invited along to the club to give our newest players some tips on playing the game. Our thanks go out to Robert for offering his time and expertise.

UP AND COMING GAMES

The North Adelaide Games – Sue Huddy

The North Adelaide Games is nigh, with the first of the matches on the afternoon of the 18th October. A reminder to members, that there will be no club play for two weekends in November. These weekends are set aside for the two *Invitation Singles* events which are the culmination of the North Adelaide Games. The Golf Croquet event is on the 12/13 it's and on the 19/20 it's the Association event. We should see some pretty good croquet played on these days. Please take the opportunity to be part of this. Support your club, enjoy the occasion. Come along and watch, help Lynn and her team in the kitchen, be there for the presentation afternoon tea on both of the Sundays. Prospect's deputy mayor will be at both to present the prizes. There'll be food, the bar will be open. Raffles will be drawn.

SOCIAL

Notes from the Bar Member – Dan has reported that the bar is going along swimmingly.

The next ***Wine Down*** social evening, will be held on Friday, 28 October 2016 and will include a chicken and salad dinner (including sweet), raffles and good company.

Social BBQ – the next BBQ will be held on Saturday, 29 October, so put your name on the list and enjoy a tasty sausage and some good company.

Social Lunch – the next Luch will be held on Tuesday, 18 October. As yet the venue is a surprise but I'm sure Lyn has somewhere planned. Put your name on the list, which you will find on the notice board.

Christmas Lunch – our final celebration for this year will be held on Saturday, 10 December, so save the date in your diary and keep an eye out for further details. The attendance list should be up on the wall soon, so put you name down and dust off your party clothes. We are having the same caterer as we used last year and as far as I know there weren't any complaints.

CLUB INFORMATION

Welcome back to our President Janet. We all hope you have had an exciting holiday.

A Note from the Treasurer

Please ensure receipts are stapled to appropriately completed petty cash voucher before lodging for reimbursement and any money deposited should have a "deposit slip" included in a plastic coin bag.

Acting Secretary

It was agreed at the last Management Committee meeting that Norma Greig would take on the role of Acting Secretary until the position of Secretary is filled.

Assistant GC Captain – new appointment

Sue Huddy has been appointed the Assistant Golf Croquet Captain.

SACA AGM – Kay Seeary

As you know it was the Annual General Meeting of the South Australian Croquet Association last Tuesday, 27 September. The weather was lovely – not like Wednesday. I have been involved with these meeting for many years, and have never been part of such a small representative of so called Croquet Enthusiasts. There were so few delegates and so few club represented that the meeting had to be re-scheduled for Monday, 10 October at 10am. I do hope our club can send at least one representative – our delegate if possible, if not a proxy who must be registered with Cathy before the meeting.

Do you leave your mallet at the Club?

It would be appreciated if members could store mallets in ladies locker room or store room instead of in the office.

Member's Phone List

The committee is considering preparing a little list of members' phone numbers, to give to each member. We know there may be some members who don't want their numbers on the list. Here's your opportunity to opt out. If you don't want yours included, just let me know by the end of October. Tell me, ring me, email me or pop a note in my pigeon-hole. Sue Huddy: 8262 1901 or su7eh@hotmail.com

Leave Notification

When members are taking extended leave, it would be appreciated if the date/s could be written on the sheet pinned to the noticeboard. This would alleviate concern for your well-being.

Club Garage Sale

Joe advised that instead of carting boxes of items to Prospect Fair, the club shed has been cleaned out for *Our Club Garage Sale*, which will be held in late October/November, pending on club members donating good saleable items to sell. We ask you check out your unwanted good and bring them to the club. Thanks to Joe and William for their effort in organising the shed.

Grants

Barry Elsey has put his hand up and offered to assist Joe to apply for grants for the club. This is not an easy task – so well done to you both.

Pat Rothery

Well done Pat on appearing in the latest City of Prospect Magazine, page 8 – *A quiet achiever's remarkable experience*. You are lucky you're not in the Firm Pat, it would cost you a fortune in drinks. It is an interesting article, but rather than rehashing it here, perhaps we could ask Pat to give a brief overview at our next Wine Down. If that doesn't work, catch up on the court or during morning tea, I'm sure he would love to tell you all about it.



Jean Raven

Congratulations to Jean on her 100th Birthday this month, what an achievement. Jean, a retired association croquet member, joined our club when the Prospect and Fitzroy Clubs amalgamated. Jean started playing croquet when she was 15 years old and I have been told that Jean was a competitive and cluey player who enjoyed a good game of croquet and used her mother's original mallet, which was passed down to her. Jean lived on a farm in her earlier years but now lives at Kilburn and can be seen every now and then at the Empire Hotel for a spot of lunch with her friend.

I couldn't find Jean's birth notice in the paper on her date of birth as it took a lot longer to publish these details at that time. However I did discovered a few interesting facts from *The Advertiser* on that day:



DATES OF IMPORTANCE & INTEREST

Our Club

July	
18, 25 October	GC North Adelaide Pre-drawn Swiss Singles (continue in November)
19, 26 October	GC North Adelaide Pre-drawn Swiss Singles
12 October	Wine Down
21, 28 October	AC North Adelaide Swiss Singles (continued in November)
1, 8, 15 November	GC North Adelaide Pre-drawn Swiss Singles
2, 9, 16 November	GC North Adelaide Pre-drawn Swiss S
4, 11, 18 November	AC North Adelaide Swiss singles
12, 13 November	GC North Adelaide Invitation singles
18 November	Wine Down
2 December	Prospect Council event
10 December	Christmas lunch

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