

February 2022



# Newsletter

Brighton Croquet Club Inc. Stopford Rd Hove 5048 [www.brightoncroquetsa.com](http://www.brightoncroquetsa.com)

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### From the Brighton Croquet Club President, February 2022

We have commenced Weekend and Autumn pennant games. Good luck to all our teams and members representing our club.

COVID 19 - Updates have just been announced by the SA Govt that will apply from Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February. We are still required to wear masks indoors and to register using the QR coding system. A reminder that within our boundaries we require Covid Marshals at all times.

We can advise that Bunnings have allocated our club two BBQ's. The first one is for May 28<sup>th</sup> Details are listed on the notice board.

Fund raising enables us to lower our membership fees and to provide much needed equipment as required. Fund raising accounts for 25 % of our income. I encourage all members to volunteer as needed.

Jill Gay has arranged a mystery bus tour for 24 people. There are seats available. See the notice board for details.

Peter Woodward has placed an order for Gate ball items. We anticipate delivery in the next 4 weeks.

The Peoples Choice Community Lottery has closed. Thank you to those who purchased tickets. All proceeds are directed into our account. Some \$800.00.

The Gala Day held on February 8<sup>th</sup> was very successful. The temperature was 31 degrees making for an enjoyable time for all 24 players. Many thanks to our kitchen staff for providing meals and snacks through the day.

Please remember that when exiting the club there are Security procedures that must be adhered to. A list is on the notice board.

Enjoy your Croquet.

Thanks Barry.

### SA GC President's Trophy 2022

This event was held at the S.A.C.A. Hutt Rd courts on January 22nd to 26th 2022

Initially the weather made conditions challenging. On Saturday, windy conditions with some strong gusty moments. Then on Sunday, rain (official rainfall - B.O.M. 22.8mm for the day) and wind and humidity.

The players were divided into two blocks. Karen Magee (Brighton CC) was outstanding in her group winning eight of her ten games. Paul Ensor (South Terrace CC) in the other group was a clear winner.

The final was held on Australia Day January 26th and in much better conditions. Karen Magee played Paul Ensor and won a 'Best of Three' match - 7-6, 3-7, 7-1

Honourable mentions - singles - went to Anne Woodhouse, Kate Logan (Brighton & Victor Harbor CC) and Bernie Pfitzner (Brighton & Victor Harbor CC)

Honourable mentions - doubles - Karen Magee, Anne Woodhouse, Bernie Pfitzner and Kate Logan.

Peter Woodward

G.C.Captain

**Karen Magee**

**Paul Ensor**



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## Inaugural Golf Croquet Directors Trophy (5+)

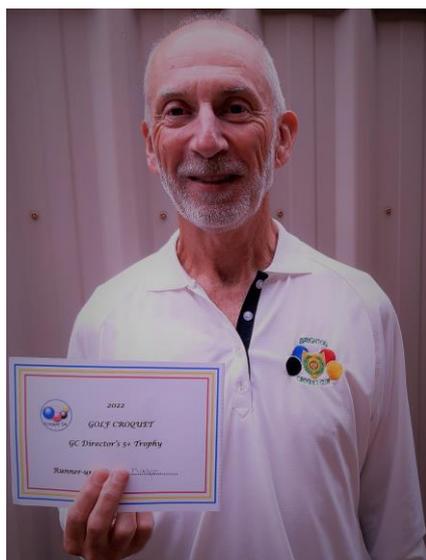
This addition to the Golf Croquet competition calendar took place in very warm humid conditions on January 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. The competition was well received with 16 players from 7 clubs entering. Tuesday saw players compete in three blocks of round robin format, with the top two from each block progressing to a round robin final on Wednesday. Players not making the final were given the opportunity to play a doubles competition while the singles final took place. Three pairs took up the challenge. Winners of this doubles competition were Ann and Annie Millhouse from Millswood.

Players making the final were Adrian Piccinin, Dougie Francis and David Rowe from Hyde Park, David Magee (Brighton), Russell Agardi (Millswood) and Phil Colebatch (Norwood). This group were very evenly matched and resulted in some very tight contests with close results. Of the 15 games only 2 were won by 7 and one of those was 7/6. The eventual winner was Dougie Francis from Hyde Park who pulled out a 7-1 win in his final game to get clear of David Magee from Brighton, the runner up.

Joan Glastonbury, current Golf Croquet Director, presented certificates to Dougie and David.

Thanks to Karen Magee, Anne Woodhouse, Barry Haydon, John Arney, and Ansi Baumanis for refereeing during the competition. Managers for the event were Ken Nunan and Peter Woodward from the Brighton Croquet Club.

Ken Nunan



David Magee – Runner-up of Inaugural Golf Croquet  
Directors' Trophy 5+ 2022

## *Gala Day.....Another resounding success!*

The weather forecast was not promising and led to more than a few entrants withdrawing prior to the day, however, Barry and the team remained positive, and we and our guests ended up having a most enjoyable day. The weather was quite tolerable, and the afternoon play turned out to be very pleasant with a light sprinkle of rain.

Seven other clubs were represented, with many of the players being regulars at our gala days. The winner of this event was Marion Sala from Holdfast Bay. Marion and husband Jan have been strong supporters of our gala days for quite a few years. The same applies to Barbara Deitrich, the runner up, also from the Holdfast Bay club. A popular result.

The event ran with its usual smoothness and efficiency, thanks to the pre-planning and support from club members. Thanks to those who provided ingredients for the midday meal and raffle prizes, your support helps make the day the financial success it turned out to be. Marlene, Lorraine, Jill, Joan and Wendy did a fantastic catering job (I suspect many of our guests come because they know they will get a quality meal). Thanks to Sonya for managing the player payments, raffles and assisting with the game scores. Barry, Howard and Hans ensured the courts and equipment were ready to go, with Barry and Howard also filling in on court for a couple of missing players. Thanks also to Karen for a fill-in game and offering her refereeing skills. Never idle, Barry also cooked the snags and patties for lunch. Pat was our RSA for the day, filled in for a game and provided general oversight. Another great team effort.

Ken Nunan



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## SPONSORSHIP AND VP REPORT FEBRUARY 2022

*It's so good to see again that we are now allowed to increase the numbers in the Clubhouse and on the Veranda. Just a reminder we still must QR in as we enter and wear masks indoors except when eating and drinking. We thank Howard for doing a fantastic job, continually keeping us up to date with forever changing restrictions from the government.*

*I look forward as I am sure all members will, to holding our next Social Night. If one or several members would like to organise an evening maybe mid-March, that would be awesome. Please let me know, I am happy to help.*

*It was lovely to receive a response from Marnie Lock, the General Manager Community & Business for Holdfast Bay Council. I wrote to the Council as again their Newsletter went out, naming all the clubs on the Brighton Oval Complex, omitting the Brighton Croquet Club. I am pleased to say this has now been amended on their website, to which we are very grateful, thank you.*

*I have also written to Anna Merola, who is one of the Holdfast Bay Council Communications Coordinators. Anna is planning stories and photos for their quarterly magazine called "Our Place". I have written a brief history of the Brighton Croquet Club with interesting features. So now awaiting a response from Anna and hopefully we can meet up to discuss more about our club and then fingers crossed we will feature in their magazine, that goes out to all the community. As they say, "Watch this space".*

*Thank you to Norman Ord, bless him! Norman fractured his arm a few weeks ago, he is recovering well. But with one arm Norman went out and painted all the joins on our new court pipes to match club colours. What a Star you are Norman, thank you from us all. ★*

*Lovely to see Jim Grindrod back at the club this week as he gets ready to restart his valuable coaching next week.*

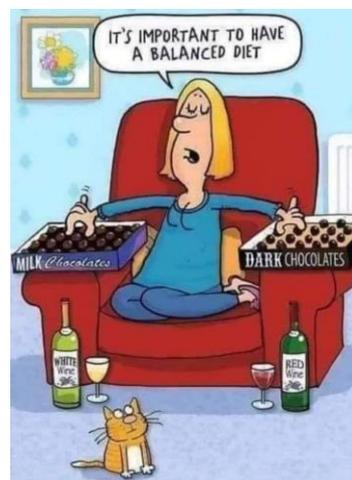
*To any members, sponsors, family & friends who are feeling under the weather during these difficult times, we wish you all a Speedy Recovery ❤️🩹*

*Pat Lawson.*

## COACHING ON WEDNESDAY MORNINGS AT BRIGHTON CROQUET CLUB

Graham Whiteway conducts coaching sessions on Wednesday mornings at Brighton Croquet Club and all members – those who are beginners and those with more experience – are welcome to attend and improve and hone their skills.

Several members of the group presented Graham with several bottles of wine and a thankyou card for his efforts over the last year.





## CONGRATULATIONS TO EDWARD WINTER

Edward is the Grandson of very proud Grandma, Sonya Ash.

Sonya is the membership secretary for the Brighton Croquet Club.

Edward is well on his way to becoming one of SA's next tennis stars and the Immanuel College student has already got his 2022 off to a stellar start.

The 17 year old from Glenlea Tennis Club was the youngest male in the Australian Open qualifying draw earlier in January and defied a rankings gap of 1646 places to defeat former world No.6 Gilles Simon in three sets.

Edward played beyond his years to stun the veteran Frenchman and two time Grand Slam quarter finalist.

From all the members at the Brighton Croquet Club, Edward, we wish you all the best in your tennis career and we look forward to seeing you at the Rod Laver Arena and on our TV's. Congratulations Champ!

Pat Lawson

On Behalf of the BCC.

## BIANCA BROWSE



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