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Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

From the Brighton Croquet Club President, October 2022

On the first weekend of October we had a successful Dawson Challenge managed by Anne Woodhouse. Thanks to all those who helped with the setting up, refereeing, scoring and catering. The event was won by our new member, David Maunder and the runner up was David Magee. Peter Woodward and Anne Woodhouse were inspiring to watch and a number of members sat on the verandah in the sun watching the games.

Sonya's raffle was drawn at the end of the tournament and the money raised together with the sale of drinks amounted to about \$400.

The Lucky Number Squares have still been popular and in a small way raise funds for our club without too much work or bother.

I recently submitted an Expression of Interest to Louise Miller-Frost for a small grant. If successful we will be able to purchase some new croquet balls for competition play.

Ros Wilson's health is improving although she is still in hospital. She is hoping to be home soon.

Our Covid policy remains the same for the time being. I hope that we can revisit it early in the new year.

We have had requests from a few members that in the event of them collapsing from a suspected heart attack that the defibrillator not be used. The Committee has been asked to look into these requests to see what is required. After some initial investigation, this is a complex legal issue and a legal opinion will be sought. The Committee will discuss this topic at the next meeting and information will be passed on to all members.

On a lighter note, we are having a Melbourne Cup Day lunch following croquet on Tuesday 1 November commencing at approximately 12.00. The race is not broadcast until 2.30 so there'll be plenty of time to play more croquet or just relax. Members are asked to bring a plate to share (either savoury or sweet), wear a hat or fascinator and we will have some sweeps, raffle prizes and best hat winner.

We are also arranging a Friday evening social to be held on Friday 11 November. Further information will be sent out closer to the date.

I hope that you are all keeping well.

Wendy Williamson



BRIGHTON DAWSON CHALLENGE 2022

The Brighton Dawson Challenge, named after Creina Dawson, a Life Member of the Brighton Croquet Club and a WCF Hall of Famer, was held on 1-2 October.

After the atrocious weather of the Nationals, we were very pleased to have some good weather. This meant more spectators to watch some very good croquet. The games were all close and no one could assume they would beat anyone else.

The highlight of the event was watching David Maunder, a Brighton member who only started playing this year. You could see him improving as the tournament progressed. He finished 4th in the round robin, but then went on to win his semi-final and then the Final! A very good croquet player in the making.

The runner up was David Magee, also from Brighton, who played very well and was only beaten by one hoop.

Let me take this opportunity to thank our great team of volunteers who work so willingly and well to make a great tournament. We always have good feedback and this year was no exception.

Anne Woodhouse

Event Manager



David Maunder (L) Winner

David Magee (R) Runner-up



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