



# Cammeray Croquet Club



## NEWSLETTER April 2010

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### Special General Meeting and Reconvened Annual General Meeting

At the committee meeting on 27 March 2010 it was resolved that a Special General Meeting be held on 17 April 2010 at 9:45 am, to consider and if thought fit pass the following Special Resolution:

*“Resolved that the Rules of the Club be amended by deleting the whole of Clause 10 and the whole of paragraph (g) of Clause 15.”*

Clause 10 and paragraph (g) of Clause 15 relate to the appointment of an auditor, an appointment that is not a requirement of the Associations Incorporation Act (“the Act”). The deletion of the whole of paragraph (g) of Clause 15 also deleted reference to the appointment of a public officer. The appointment of the public officer is done in accordance with section 23 of the Act.

The committee meeting also resolved that the adjourned Annual General Meeting of the Club be reconvened on 17 April 2010 at 10 am, with the only business being to receive and consider the financial statements for the year to 31 December 2009 to be submitted to members at that meeting, under section 26(6) of the Act.

### The Australian National Championships

Cammeray had four players at Cairnlea in Melbourne for this tournament. The first event was the Gold Medal, where state winners play off for the medal. Peter Landrebe was representing NSW and came third behind Paddy Chapman (SA) and Robert Fletcher (Victoria).

In the Men’s Singles, Peter Landrebe was narrowly defeated in the quarter-finals by Stephen Foster, and then reached the finals of the Z-event where he was runner-up to Ken Bald to finish 6<sup>th</sup> overall.

Alan Walsh had an excellent tournament; he reached the third round by beating Ken McLeod and Ina Bassett, but then came up against Robert Fletcher (16 years old and no. 10 in the world). In the Y-event, Alan then beat Kevin Beard (who is in the Australian team), and came close to beating Tim Murphy (also in the Australian team), to finish 11<sup>th</sup> overall.



Alan Walsh winning in the first round



Paddy Chapman on his way to a sextuple peel against Neil Hardie

Mike Hughes lost in the first round to Albert Rutten, then came fifth out of 8 in a strong plate block.

In the first round, Neil Hardie met the no 1 seed and eventual winner (and no. 8 in the world) Paddy Chapman (age 22). Paddy did a sextuple peel in the second game, and went on to win the championships, beating Robert Fletcher in the final. Neil’s plate block included three members of state teams and a former Australian champion, but he won a couple of matches to come 6<sup>th</sup> out of 8.



A view of the Cairnlea croquet complex

## **Croquet NSW Events**

In the **Bronze Singles** played in the last week of February, David Stanton and Georgie Ofner came second and third respectively. The winner was John Campey from Epping. David Stanton also played in the **Silver Singles** the following week, finishing third out of the four starters.

In the **Seniors Week** handicap event, Cammeray was represented by Georgie Ofner, who played very well to win four of her seven games, missing out on second place on hoop difference. The event was won by our own Stephen Howes (playing for Mangrove Mountain) with 5 wins, with Bruce Buchanan (Mosman) runner-up.

## **Know Your Rules**

Are the following “rules” correct or incorrect?

1. It is a fault if you hit the hoop with your mallet.
2. You cannot claim a roquet on a misplaced ball.
3. If you play with a ball misplaced you have condoned its position.
4. You are not permitted to run onto the court (or between shots) to save time.

Answers at the end of this newsletter.

## **Cammeray Tournaments**

### **1. Golf Croquet Tournament**

This tournament was won by Jake Henzler, with Georgie Ofner runner-up. Anson Bognar defeated Chay MacTavish in the play-off for third place.

### **2. Summertime Tournament**

This tournament was won by David Stanton, with Sue Nicholas runner-up in a very close game. In the play-off for third place, Doug Nicholas defeated Steve Baxter. It is likely that the 2010 tournament will be played over a shorter period (say 7 weeks) with 8 players playing a round robin.

### **3. Wright Trophy Egyptian Tournament**

This tournament has been running on Thursday and Sunday evenings throughout March, and the last night will be Thursday 1 April. Current leader is Brian Smith from Eastwood club, who is undefeated so far. The level of interest shown has been down on last year, with relatively few players turning up each evening, and we will consider going back to one evening per week over a longer period next year.

### **4. High-Low Doubles Tournament**

This tournament gets under way on Saturday 10 April with eight players entered. Teams are being allocated by draw, one high-handicapper and one low-handicapper per team. The format is as for last year, alternate stroke handicap doubles, advanced play. The aim of this tournament is to assist high handicap players to get a better understanding of the tactics of the game by playing with (and being coached by) a more experienced player.

## 5. Cammeray Birthday Tournament

**FRIDAY MAY 21<sup>st</sup> TO SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Handicap** tournament open to players from **0 to 18**.

Prizes include bottles of wine and engraved glasses as well as the Birthday Trophy. The entry fee of \$35 includes lunch sandwiches Friday & Saturday and a barbecue on Sunday. Closing date for entries is Wednesday 12th May. Entries limited to first 16 applicants. AHS cards will be used.

On Friday and Saturday there will be four playing sessions from 8.30 am to 9 pm (the last session under lights), but we hope to avoid having anyone playing more than three games in a day.

In order to enter:

1. Send in the entry form (available in the clubhouse) by email or mail, or
2. If you don't have an entry form, send us an email with your name, contact phone, email address, handicap, club, and availability.
3. Please send us a cheque for the entry fee before 17th May

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## Seniors Week Open Day

Wednesday 24 March saw eight Cammeray members play host to seven local senior citizens for a pleasant morning tea followed by some coaching in the basics of croquet. Following this, six teams each with one member and one quest took part in games of golf croquet, which uncovered some promising potential members for the club. A pleasant time was had by all.

## Bronze Pennants

We are once again entering two teams in the Croquet NSW Bronze Pennants, with nine players having expressed interest so far. We will need other players to fill in occasionally on Thursdays during June and early July. If you are interested, contact Barbara McDonald on 9958-5764.

## Wollstonecraft Bowling and Recreation Club

The Wollstonecraft Bowling and Recreation Club lawns have been much improved by their new greenkeeper, but they are still quite rough in places. We are unsure about just when we will be able to proceed, but we will keep members posted on developments with this project.

## Know Your Rules – Answers

"Rule"	Answer
It is a fault if you hit the hoop with your mallet	<b>Incorrect:</b> There is no such rule. The only way that hitting a hoop with your mallet can be a fault is if by doing so during the striking period you cause another ball to move or shake.
You cannot claim a roquet on a misplaced ball	<b>Incorrect:</b> Unless the stroke was forestalled by the adversary, the roquet stands and you continue by taking croquet (Law 27).
If you play with a ball misplaced you have condoned its position	<b>Incorrect:</b> The position of a misplaced ball can never be condoned. There is no mention of condoning in Law 27. The wrong position of a ball can never become its correct legal position. If a player plays when a ball is misplaced, one of two things can happen: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The misplaced ball is affected by the stroke. In this case its new position now becomes its legal position; but the incorrect position was never its legal position.</li><li>2. The misplaced ball is not affected by the stroke. In this case it must be replaced correctly. By playing while it was misplaced the player did not in any way "condone" its incorrect position.</li></ol>
You are not permitted to run onto the court (or between shots) to save time	<b>Incorrect:</b> There is nothing in the Laws to prevent you from running as fast as you can at any time for any purpose, whether or not you have been running previously.





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## PROGRAM: March - April 2010

	8-45	9-10	10-11	11-12	12-1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-6	6-7	7-8	8-9	9-9.30
Tuesday 30 Mar									Beginner Coaching <1 lawn>					
Wednesday 31 Mar	Lawn mowing												Bronze games	
Thursday 1								Bronze games						Wright Trophy Egyptian Tournament
Friday 2			Handicap games (all grades)											
Saturday 3								Bronze games						
Sunday 4			Golf Croquet (Denis Rolles' group)											
Monday 5			Games for all grades					Bronze games						
Tuesday 6				Private hire					Beginner Coaching <1 lawn>					
Wednesday 7	Lawn mowing												Bronze games	
Thursday 8								Bronze games						
Friday 9			Handicap games (all grades)										Golf croquet (all welcome)	
Saturday 10			High-Low Doubles					Bronze games						
Sunday 11			Golf Croquet (Lyndey Milan's group)											
Monday 12			Games for all grades					Bronze games						
Tuesday 13									Beginner Coaching <1 lawn>					
Wednesday 14	Lawn mowing												Bronze games	
Thursday 15								Bronze games						
Friday 16			Handicap games (all grades)											
Saturday 17			Committee meeting, Special GM & AGM					Bronze games						
Sunday 18			Golf Croquet (all welcome)											
Monday 19			Games for all grades					Bronze games					Private hire	
Tuesday 20									Beginner Coaching <1 lawn>					
Wednesday 21	Lawn mowing												Bronze games	
Thursday 22								Bronze games						
Friday 23			Handicap games (all grades)											
Saturday 24			High-Low Doubles					Bronze games						
Sunday 25								Golf Croquet <1 lawn> (Jake Henzler's group)						
Monday 26			Games for all grades					Bronze games						
Tuesday 27									Beginner Coaching <1 lawn>					
Wednesday 28	Lawn mowing												Bronze games	
Thursday 29								Bronze games						
Friday 30			Handicap games (all grades)											

- Lawns available for independent play
- Bronze games
- Wine & cheese (lawns available)
- Committee meeting (lawns available)
- Games for all grades
- Golf croquet
- Tournaments
- Lawn mowing and maintenance
- Private hire
- Coaching Sessions