



HOLDFAST BAY CROQUET CLUB

KEEPING IN TOUCH

December 2023

Hi Folks,

It's Christmas again.

It has been another busy and extremely successful one for the Holdfast Bay Croquet Club. Thank you all for making this a great year and for all your comradeship. On behalf of your committee I would like to extend to you all the best for a great Christmas and a fantastic New Year.

May it all be good. Fun, laughter, good health and happiness.

CLUB CLOSURE: 23rd December - 6th January 2024

The club will be intermittently closed during the festive season.

The croquet courts will be set up until Friday 22nd. December, then reopen Wednesday 10th, January 2024

If you wish to play croquet prior to this date you may. If you have a key you may set up the equipment and return all to the shed at end of play

CROQUET CLOSURE: December 22nd - 10th January 2024.

(If you have access to the equipment shed members are okay to put out hoops and play from January 6th (**not Monday**) providing equipment is returned to the shed after.

Christmas breakup at the Club:

Saturday 16th December 5.00pm till \$5.00 Pizza night, Raffle draw, Come join the fun. Christmas cheer.

(Reminder all raffle books to be returned by Wednesday 13th.)

Volunteers needed to vacuum the floor in the bar area on a

Friday. It is not an onerous job but one that needs to be done. Can do either before croquet, during croquet or after croquet.

Except for paying our fees we are currently not contributing to the general running of



our club. maintenance of the club (re dinners etc,) if we could set up a roster of all likely contributors it would be a great help to all. Thanks.

Court set up.

If you get to the courts and there is an influx of players and you do not wish to use the 3rd colours simple get the extra hoops from the shde and set up on D green. Easy to do, markings on the court where hoops need to be placed.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGER

Hi all,

Thank you all for making 2023 another enjoyable year for croquet at H.B.C.C.

Social croquet was well attended most weeks and we also had a good presence in Gala Days and pennant competition just being pipped at the post for a flag a couple of times.

Thank you to all croquet members who volunteered help this year and in the future in Club Holdfast endeavours as well as

helping the club run smoothly it gives croquet a visible presence around the place that is noticed and appreciated by all members

Without volunteer efforts these days no club can function.

Thank you Roger for you're your valued coaching that has raised the skill level and confidence of many of our members.

Thank you committee members Helen, Barbara, Paul and club captain Jân for your input and help over the year and a special thank you to Margaret who works tirelessly for us above abd beyond her secretarial position.

Welcome to new members Chris and Lena who have settled in well and are both playing to a high standard high is good to see.

Whatever you are doing over the Christmas break I hope you have an enjoyable and safe time and I wish a happy Christmas and New Year to you and your families and I look forward to seeing you in 2024.

Cheers,

Colin





Christmas Message from the Club Captain

Thank you to all those who played pennants this year. Not our best year but we were very competitive in weekend 9+ and Monday 24+. In midweek 9+ we were we were struggling to fill teams at times, maybe the current home and away structure is not suitable for every body, Next year we will have some new players on board and some players returning from injuries. Hopefully this will put the club in a stronger position. If you are a bit hesitant in playing pennants try your hand at playing in Gala Days. These are no pressure, fun filled days playing with and against people of varying abilities, plus there is normally a great lunch, morning and afternoon tea together with raffles and winner prizes. Have a great Christmas.

Cheers,
Jân



THANK YOU

A big thank you to all for making 2023 a happy, great place to be. To our social players thank you for coming out weekly and contributing to the club's ethos. Congratulations and thanks are extended to all Pennant, Gala Days and Tournament players. You have done our club so proud this year. And thank you to all who contributed to our off court activities, court preparations etc, We have all combined to make a great team

Looking forward to another great year of friendship, croqueting and fun in 2024. Come prepared for the hot weather - water bottle, sunscreen, .

To all have a great, fantastic, wonderful Christmas and festive season. May Santa be very kind., 'Til then keep safe, keep well, keep smiling and enjoy whatever you do.

Cheers
Marg

