

HOLDFAST BAY CROQUET CLUB

KEEPING IN TOUCH

MARCH, 2023



Hi Folks,

Autumn is here and what better time to play croquet. Great weather, great company and our courts are looking good and playing well thanks to Brad and Colin our groundsmen.

Best wishes are extended to Di Jackson for her hip replacement surgery. Hope all goes well.

To all who are on the sick list all the best for a speedy recovery

Mary Armfield

Sadly we learnt this week of the passing of Mary.

“ Mary was a much love and valued friend, croquet member and an extremely good player for a very long time until fragility in her late eighties prevented her from playing croquet and attending the club. One of the last times being when she officiated at the opening of the Ivorine Wayne croquet Club room in the presence of a large group of members.

All who knew her will remember her youthful outlook on life and wicked sense of humour an example of which is when I was her partner in a doubles game and opposition member from another club was scoring hoop after hoop. Mary whispered to me “don’t worry Col next time he lines up I’ll bang his elbow”

A lovely person who will always be thought of fondly and remembered with a smile. “

R.I.P

Colin

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Hi all,

The free sausage sizzle put on by 5 croquet members on Saturday March 11 was deemed a great success by all in attendance.

Functions like this provide an opportunity to raise the profile of croquet in and around Club Holdfast as well as raising much needed funds (bar takings etc) that in turn keep our membership fees at a reasonable cost and help maintain the club as a viable business.

Thank you to members Clem, Janice, Mary Lemm, Paul, Jān, Gloria, Roger and John Hayles for volunteering to help in this venture.

Cheers Colin



PENNANTS:

The Autumn croquet pennant's competition and the year long 9+, 5+ and the Open season has already commenced.

HBCC are undefeated and playing well in the Monday's 24+ competition. This is very good news as we have been the chopping block team in the last couple of seasons.

The weekend 9+ have played really well and were just being pipped on hoop difference in their last game against Brighton.

The newly formed 12+ team have tried valiantly and have achieved their first win of the season against Tea Tree Gully. A great effort.

Unfortunately, we had to withdraw our team from the Thursday's 9+ combined singles & doubles competition. Not enough eligible players seem not to want to participate, this was disappointing, given that we have a large enough membership base to easily fill a midweek team.

I would like to see more of our members playing pennants

Cheers

HBCC Club Captain

Janis Sala



Sandwich Making

Again thank you to the people who have volunteered to make sandwiches on Wednesdays for the Bingo session on Thursdays. If any other members are interested in assisting please join us. More hands make lighter work for all.. **If you are unable to attend the day nominated would you please organise a swap with another.**

The roster as of now is:

March 22nd : -----Janice, Clem, Kathy M.
March 29th -----Colin, Margaret, Ngaire
April 5th: -----Judy, Urbicia, Rae
April 12th ----- Helen, Gloria, Val
April 19th: ----- Janice, Clem, Mary
April 26th; ----- Sue, Judy, Kathy M



Keep well, keep safe, keep smiling and keep croqueting.

Cheers,

Marg



