

CROQUET NEWS



CROQUET ASSOCIATION QUEENSLAND

2022 - Celebrating 100 years

Welcome to Edition 2 of Croquet News.

The newsletter from the Management Committee which endeavours to inform all clubs and their members of current issues and ongoing works in progress.

5 Hot Issues

1. Coaching Conference

The Coaching conference was held at Windsor CC on 20th November, with 57 Coaches attending from 17 clubs and 5 regions.

There were two presentations in the morning - Greg Bury (National Coaching co-ordinator), and Warren Kennaugh (Behavioural Strategist Via zoom). The afternoon was spent on the lawns with presenters demonstrating tactics for all codes.

2. Congratulations to all newly appointed CAQ officers and Co-ordinators (taking positions from 1st January)

Management Committee – Region Delegates

Sarah Widin (Sunshine Coast), Jacek Czarski ((Central Qld),
Joan Mathiesen (Wide Bay Burnett), Dianne Leahy (Brisbane North),
John van Barneveld (Brisbane South), Paul Reynolds (Darling Downs),
Beryl Turner (Gold Coast Tweed)

Co-ordinators –

Coaching – George Oliver

Association – Bruce Fleming

Referees – Elizabeth Fleming
(caretaker)

Golf – Beryl Turner

Referees – Cloreen van der Sluis

Gateball – Warren Dowse

Referees – Keith Chur-Hansen

Ricochet – Jenny Lee

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Association Development squad – Bruce Fleming

Association State Team Squad – Greg Bury

Golf State Team Squad – Greg Bury

Events - Geraldine Trivett

Duty Officers-

Secretary – Willy Silk

Assistant Secretary – Dianne Leahy

Complaints – Elizabeth Fleming

Registration and Handicapper – Willy Silk and Dianne Leahy

QSport Liaison - Dick Byres

Selection Sub-committee –

Chair – Dick Byres

Selectors – Gaye Pitman, Elizabeth Fleming, Penny Jackson, Barbara Northcott

Still required –

Golf Development squad Co-ordinator,

Grants Officer, School and Junior Co-ordinator

And a huge thank you for all those leaving positions for all their work in 2021

3. Governance

The Governance sub-committee has been updating CAQ Policies. The latest to be updated and approved are:

Child Safety Policy

Guidelines for Interacting with Children

Guidelines for Hot Weather Play

Adverse play conditions Policy

Selection Policy is a work in progress (available in January)

4. David Housden, CAQ Treasurer– Mini-Bio



Although I was born in the Home Counties of rural England, I grew up in Zambia, formerly Northern Rhodesia, and finally moved to Australia in later life. After training as an auditor, I started my first business at the age of 20, farming in Africa. Later, I embarked on a career in the print industry.

Quite by chance, my wife, Elli, and I played our first game of croquet with a friend at the Windsor Club in Brisbane. We came away that

afternoon with the idea of taking up the sport. We then contacted the closest local club on the Gold Coast and found ourselves playing at Southport.

I became the President of Southport Croquet Club in 2018, during an exciting period where the club expanded rapidly. It is now Queensland's biggest club with just over 100 members. Having enjoyed my time as President, I was invited to nominate for the Gold Coast Regional Delegate to CAQ. Then I took on the role of Treasurer from David Drake.

It has been an interesting year and I've had what I consider a productive time in the job. My role has been governed by my determination that the CAQ finances need to be channelled into continued development for the benefit of our Queensland clubs and for the future of the sport in Queensland.

5. Training Programs available through Croquet Queensland

- * Event Management
- * Referee Training and Examinations (all codes)
- * Coaching Training and Examinations (all codes)
- * Presenter Training and Authorisation (all codes)
- * Hoop setting
- * Lawn craft
- * Tournament Referee Education Program (Level 2)

6. Covid Information

The latest Covid updates were sent to all clubs on 17th December. Croquet is covered by the column "Community Sports and Active recreation



Sport Recreation and
Fitness - COVID updat

7. Calendar Items

February 22nd, 2022. Clubs will be asked to elect the following:
President, Vice-President, and Treasurer.

Mini bios will be issued to all clubs in January for those positions
where there is more than one applicant.

Centenary Celebrations 2022

5th May – Brisbane Lord Mayor’s Afternoon Tea

8. Winners

CAQ Golf 1st Eights:

Winner – Ross Rillie (Headland/Buderim)

Runner-up – Bob Martin (Eildon)

CAQ Golf 2nd Eights:

Winner – Charles Ernest (Southport)

Runner-up – Doug Houston (Headland/Buderim)

CAQ Association Mixed Doubles:

Winners – Don Close (Gracemere) & Willy Silk (Windsor)

Runners-up – Yuni Rowell (Coolangatta) & Dave Luxmoore (BHPB)

Consolation:

Winners – Heather & Tom Knight (Stephens)

Runners-up – Greg Whymark & Lynda Davis (Bribie Island)

Golf Bayside Cup (New):

Winners – Lawrie Simpson & Geoff Jamieson (Eildon)

Runners-up – Bob Martin & Wade Hart (Eildon)

Eildon Golf Invitation Singles (New):

Block A Winner – Casey De-Vene (Merthyr)

Runner-up – Jenee Molyneux (Eildon)

Block B Winner – Jannene Wall (Ipswich)

Runner-up – Dianne Michels (Twin Rivers)

Graceville Association WR Pitter Cup:

Winners – Lindsay David (Twin Rivers) & Heather Smith (Graceville)

Runners-up – Jacky Lynch (Stephens) & Elaine Berridge (Twin Rivers)

Consolation:

Winners – Heather Knight (Stephens) & Janelle Wilson (The Range)

Runners-up – Ross Preston (Stephens) & Brian Rubock (Twin Rivers)

Short History of Margaret Fulton Pitter

This can be found on the Croquet Association Queensland Web site under “Hall of Recognition”

Gateball Masters & Apprentices:

Teams: Winner – Rockhampton
 Runner-up – Bribie Island

Doubles: Winner – Wanderers (Bruce McAlister & Peter Sweet)
 Runner-up – DNR (Robert Nicholson & Kathie Grant)

9. Queensland Association State Team for 2022

David Luxmoore (Captain)	Heather Knight (Vice Captain)
Greg Bury	Yuni Rowell
Lindsay David	Jacki Lynch
Troy McCallum	Rosemary Newsham
Don Close	Kathie Grant (Manager)
Reserve: Wade Hart	Reserve: Barbara Northcott

10. QSport – Queensland Sport Awards 2021

CAQ nominated Mr Greg Bury for the Queensland Sport Award.

Greg is a fantastic role model to his peers, and he is a wonderful ambassador to croquet. He has made a tremendous contribution to Croquet within the realms of Clubs, regions and has proudly represented Queensland and Australia over an amazing 38 years. Unfortunately, his nomination did not make the finals.

THE CAQ TEAM WISH A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL MEMBERS AND A HAPPY AND HEALTHY 2022