

MCC Newsletter – September 2019

Diary Dates:

The Mosman Prize: 1-3 Nov 2019

Save the date to help out at The Mosman Prize. We need LOTS of volunteers!!!

Festival of Mosman - Open Day at Mosman Croquet Club: 19 Oct, 11:00-4:00pm. Volunteers NEEDED!!

Monthly Dinners – *RSVP to Judy McDonald*:

Dinners are arranged 2nd monthly, at a local restaurant. Dates for the remainder of the year are: Tuesday 1 October 6.30pm (see details on Club Noticeboard) and Tuesday 3 December 6.30pm

Croquet NSW Awards

Mosman Club was well represented at Croquet NSW Annual Awards ceremony, following the CNSW Annual General Meeting in August.

We won the 2019 AC Pennants in <u>both</u> Gold and Bronze Divisions, and Fidye Westgarth received the trophy for winning the 2019 AC Bronze Championship.



Mosman Club members at 2019 CNSW Awards



Nominees for inaugural CNSW Golden Mallet Award

It was a great honour to have Mary Gibson nominated for the inaugural Golden Mallet Award, in the company of outstanding croquet movers and shakers. The inaugural award was given to Peter Freer, of Canberra Club.

Congratulations, all! Let's hope we are there next year for some CNSW GC Awards.

Golf Croquet Update

Geoff Grist Ladder:

Penny Paterson won the Ladder this year, with Richard Westgarth and Ian Cameron filling the minor places. While most players were pleased with their experience our numbers were down on previous years so Richard will survey current and past participants to get some opinions on this.

GC Club and Division Championships

GC Club and Division Championships have started and the 164 preliminary games are well underway. All games are due for **completion by 31 October** so arrange your games ASAP. Competition games are best played outside "Club Play" sessions but occasional matches have been played during these times without conflicting with social player priority.

The Mosman Prize, 1-3 Nov

The tournament is fully subscribed, with a waiting list. However, we still need lots of volunteers to assist with hospitality, timekeeping, lawns-setup, etc. You can volunteer on-line via the Website ("Upcoming Events") or put your name on the list at the Clubhouse, in October.

Players Pathway to Excellence Program (PPEP)

This program is an initiative of Croquet NSW, and ambitious players are finding it very helpful.

Five Mosman players have been accepted to attend the additional GC program ('Fundamental to Talented') that will be held at Coogee in mid-November.

For all GC enquiries, email Richard Westgarth: richard@westgarth.com.au

Club Matters:

New WEBSITE

At last we have launched our new website — Check it out and let us know what you think of it!!! The link is the same as for the previous website: https://www.mosmancroquet.org.au . .



We hope you will find the calendar of upcoming events useful, and enjoy the photo Galleries. There is a 'Members Only' section in the website which gives you access to Club members' Contact List, meeting papers, etc. You will need to register your details for members-only access to this area.

Thank you to **Anthea Piddington** for taking on the role of Website Administrator. **Ron Humpherson** will continue to update the Games and Tournaments sections. **Penny Paterson** has opened a Facebook page – so contact Penny if you want your information re Mosman Croquet Club published on Facebook.

External Bookings and Functions

As we approach Christmas we are receiving several requests for bookings from external groups for social events and Christmas functions. These are important opportunities to raise funds for improvements to the Club.

We try to not let these interfere with normal Club Play sessions, however there are occasions when the bookings overlap Club Play and cannot be moved to another time. At these times we ask for your patience with reduced access to lawns, in order to support these fund-raising activities.

If you would like to help supervising these events, they are always a lot of fun and our guests enjoy a chance to try croquet.

Contact Linda Barnes to put your name on her list for volunteers to help with functions:

Mb: 0419 984 103

Email: lindajbarnes@bigpond.com

Club T-Shirts and Jackets

Orders are being taken now, for club monogrammed clothing:

- White T-shirts: Long- and Short-Sleeved
- Navy Jackets: Long-Sleeved and Sleeveless
- Med-brimmed Cloth Hats (Navy, or White)

These are slightly different from the previous range, as they come from a new supplier. **Samples are available in the Clubhouse** to try in a range of sizes, Men's and Womens' – till 26/9/2019.

Feel free to try-on the samples, to estimate the right size for you, and place your order on the list at the Clubhouse.

SALE!!: There are still a few Long-sleeved T-shirts available from the previous range of apparel, at a reduced price of \$20 each: Sizes 16, 18, & 20. (NOTE: Polar Fleece jackets & vests are no longer available, in the new supply.)

See you on the Lawns!!

