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**CONGRATULATIONS** to Peter Lloyd for winning the Association Club Championship against a gallant Nola Scott in a best of 3 match. Peter won in 2 games.

Jim Nicholls competed in the ACA Presidents 8's on the October long weekend. After a slow start Jim hit his straps to win the second Eight with 11 wins from 13 games and receive the Tom Howatt Trophy.

Out Gateball cousins in Canberra were also successful in winning the Australian Championship against some strong international competition.



**GATEBALL – NSW STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS** Wagga Wagga will once again be competing in both doubles and the team event state championships in Canberra on 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> November. Josh Willscher will be leading the charge to beat the Canberrians on their home turf. Great to welcome back some of our Gateballers who have been busy studying and sitting exams during the past few months.

**CLUB PRESENTATION EVENING** – Will be held on Sunday 8th December. It will be of similar format to last year with Gateball being played prior to meal and presentations. For catering purposes please ensure you have paid and recorded your name on the list at the clubhouse prior to 30 November. Cost will be \$20 per head. It will be BYO drinks and cutlery. If you are able to assist with catering please contact Ruth.

**THIRD LAWN PROGRESS** TAFE has completed the seeding immediately to the east of the clubhouse and is currently covered with hessian. To assist with the growing members are encouraged to “turn on the tap” when they are at the club. If we all chip in we will ensure the area is well watered during the summer months.

**2014 GOLF CROQUET CARNIVAL** Within one week of sending out the flyer we have received 41 entries for our very popular carnival. To ensure we have a manageable event numbers have been reduced to 36. The unlucky 5 entries will be reserves until the end of February at which time our members will be reserves in case of late withdrawals. If you are interested in being on the list contact Robyn Willis.



**CLEANING ROSTER:** Aileen Munro (6922 5569) & Carole Pratt (6926 2194)

Big thanks to Wendy Halford who has updated the roster for 2013/2014. The roster is on the noticeboard. If you are unable to clean when rostered please organise to swap with someone else.



Dusk at Victoria Croquet Centre – Cairnlea



Bishop's Palace adjacent to the Cathedral in Wells, a village near Bath west of London

**SUMMER PLAYING TIMES** With the commencement of daylight savings there is plenty of opportunities to “have a hit” of an evening. It has been suggested that a Golf Croquet doubles competition could be run, utilising the cracker evenings. If you are interested please discuss with Nola McRae & Wendy Halford.

## Our groundskeeper, Brian, requires 2 days each week to maintain our lawns.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
AM	AC – 9am	##	GC- 9.30		##	AC – 9am	
PM		##			##		
Evening		Gateball 5.30pm		Coaching 5.15pm	GC – 5pm		Thirsty Crow-quet

**COACHING** Jim will be conducting coaching sessions for members throughout November to February. Association Croquet coaching on 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month, Golf croquet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday. Sessions will commence at 5.15pm.

**HIRINGS** We have had a number of enquiries from other organisations / businesses in hiring our facilities for Christmas parties, social activities, etc. This is a great way of introducing people to croquet and provides the club with extra revenue. If you are a member of an organisation, or know of a group that may be interested, encourage them to give croquet a go.

- RSL Cricket Club – 9 November 2013
- Ashmont Tai Chi – 10 December 2013

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING** Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at 11.15am at the clubhouse.