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**THIRD LAWN IS OFFICIALLY OPENED** Under threatening skies a small group of members gathered with guests CNSW President Tony McArthur, Wagga Mayor Rod Kendall, General Manager Phil Pinyon and representatives of local suppliers who assisted us in the project, to celebrate the club's expansion.



Wagga Wagga Croquet Club President Robyn Willis addressing the crowd prior to Croquet NSW President Tony McArthur having the honour of 'First Hit'.



The project commenced back in 2009 and at an estimated cost in the vicinity of ~\$50,000 in materials, irrigation, fencing, and of course volunteer hours, it is a credit to the club and everyone who has assisted in making it a reality. Photos of the progress are currently on the notice board.

After the formalities, in a game including the Mayor, only 5 hoops were scored before rain provided a second christening, a much needed drink for the lawns and proof we need a permanent shelter!

Nola McRae, Ruth Wilson and other elves did a spectacular job in organising our Christmas dinner along with a fully decorated clubhouse.

A great afternoon was had by all. Thanks to everyone who helped make the day a success.







**CONGRATULATIONS** to Ruth Wilson on being made a Life member of the club. Ruth has been served on the committee for many of the past 14 years, as well managing the school's program. Ruth has volunteered much of her time to the club, be it for hosting card parties, organising morning teas or assisting with group bookings.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Jim Nicholls on being the recipient of the Bess Webster Memorial Trophy.

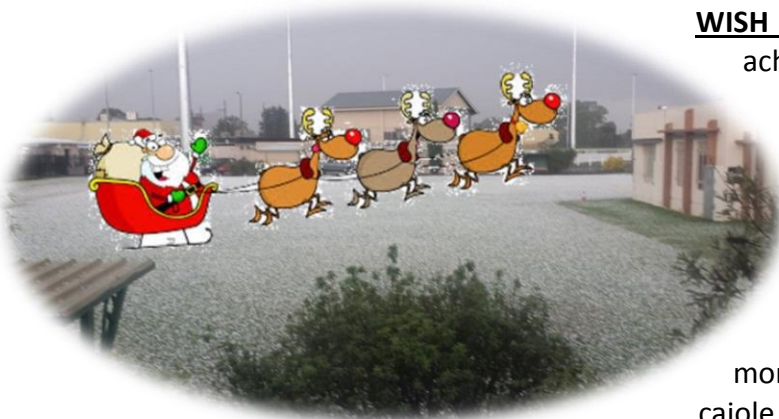
Apart from the secretarial work and newsletter composing, Jim has been involved in the preparation, levelling, seeding of the 3<sup>rd</sup> lawn, representing the club at NSW council meetings and somehow still finds time to maintain his form to play at the top level of the sport at state and national competitions.



**STATE REPRESENTATION** Jim Nicholls has been selected for the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year in the NSW Association Croquet State team. This year he was also selected to captain the team. We wish him all the best in the campaign to win back the Eire Cup in Sydney in March 2015.

**SHELTER** After obtaining numerous quotes, discussing future requirements, materials and payment terms, it was agreed to have installed a 6 metre x 3.5 metre flat roof shelter with a wall on the western side to assist in protecting us from the elements. Fingers crossed Santa will deliver in time for Christmas.

**PLAYING TIMES OVER CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR** will continue as normal. Please keep in contact with other members if altering times should we experience extreme weather. A fun evening has been scheduled for Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2015 commencing at 5.00pm. A sausage sizzle will be provided by the club on the night.



**WISH LIST FOR SANTA FOR 2015** As a club we have achieved a great deal in expanding and enhancing our facilities. There are still a number of things that have been identified that we require / want in 2015.

These include, painting the clubhouse, renovated kitchen, permanent outdoor seating, lights, secretary, treasurer, 10 new members, and no doubt you can think of some more. Please give consideration as to how you can cajole Santa to completing the above.

**CLEANING ROSTER** If you are unable to clean when rostered please swap with someone else.

December – Nola McRae (6926 2662) & Wanda Giddings (6922 3245).

January – Ruth Wilson (6933 1704) & Robyn Willis (6922 5754).

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING** Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 11.15am at the clubhouse.