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**WELCOME** New member, Richie Munro. He has already proved to be a valuable Club member by helping at the barbeque at the recent Golf Croquet Carnival.

**FROM THE APRIL 2 COMMITTEE MEETING:** Some items discussed at this recent meeting were:

- The number of committee members elected at the AGM was 11, however, reference to our Constitution confirmed that there should only be 9. Ian Hayes and Wanda Giddings voluntarily stepped down so that the Committee would be valid. They will continue to contribute to the Club through the Grounds sub-Committee and the House sub-Committee respectively and we thank them for their willingness to participate fully in the Club.
- Ian Hayes has been busy taking out some uneven areas on Court 3 with sand and rolling. More extensive Court maintenance is likely to be carried out later in the year, maybe November, when there will be a need to discontinue play for two weeks. More on that when details emerge.
- Two events have been added to our Club Calendar – our annual Charity Morning Tea will be held on 29 June. The beneficiary will be the proposed Palliative Care Hospice, which is to be built at the Forrest Centre. The other event is a Come and Try Day, to be held 25 September.

### **CLUB CALENDAR 2016**

- Playing times have changed with the end of Daylight Saving. Association Croquet is played at 10 am Mondays, Golf Croquet is 10am & 1pm Wednesdays and 10am Fridays. Gateball 9am Saturday.
- Friendly competition at Tumut Croquet Club on 26 April. Any Club member welcome
- 3WAY Carnival to be held on Sunday 1 May here in Wagga Wagga. Golf Croquet Captain, Dorothy Munro has two teams selected to compete. Slices would be appreciated for morning tea.
- There are two Corporate bookings of the Club in May – Thirsty Croquet will celebrate World Croquet Day on 7 May and a group are holding a reunion on 16 May.

**UPCOMING NEARBY TOURNAMENTS** The Walla Walla Golf Croquet Tournament will be held on 20-21 May. The Young Cherry Blossom Spring Golf Croquet Carnival will be held on 6-9 October. Application forms are available at the Clubhouse.

**ASSOCIATION NEWS** Full and Half Court Handicap Championships have commenced and are progressing well. A second half court has been marked out on Court 3 to accommodate Championship play.

**GOLF CROQUET** Attendances at Golf Croquet remain strong. Wednesday was the first day of play at both 10am and 1pm and attendances were respectable for both time slots with only one member playing both

times. We are looking forward to a number of our members making the trip to Tumut for the Friendly match on 26 April. The 3WAY Challenge is well on the way to being organized. Len McCallum has taken on the task of arranging Handicaps for any interested members. This will get underway from 1 June when memberships are finalised. All players will start off 10 and will need to record all game scores for a period and the Handicap will be adjusted fittingly.

**SCHOOL CROQUET LESSONS** The school croquet lessons will begin with the commencement of the new school term. A roster has been drawn up to assist with the school programme and is on the noticeboard. Please find a replacement if you are unable to attend when rostered on and let Ruth know on 69331704 or 0450 044 740.

29 April - Ruth Wilson & Margaret Priest

13 May – David Glastonbury & Merran Craft

27 May- Lola & Ron Westman

10 June – Wendy Halford & Anne McGregor

24 June – Nola McRae & Aileen Munro

6 May – Jill Burmeister & Carole Pratt

20 May – Dorothy Munro & Maureen Doig

3 June – Janet Terry & Eileen Zurbo

17 June – Wanda Giddings & Fran Brown

**CLEANING ROSTER** If you are unable to clean when rostered please swap with someone else. Please check the roster on the noticeboard for your dates.

**April:** David Glastonbury & Bill Blowes

**May:** Nola McRae & Wendy Halford

**SPORT DEVELOPMENT FORUM** Jim Nicholls attended this on Saturday 2 April. One of the workshops covered Child Protection Strategies and the New Working With Children Check. It was pleasing to learn that the Club is currently operating in accordance with the rules regarding Child Protection. (We have 6 members with Working With Children Checks.) This was raised at the recent Committee meeting and the Club now has a policy that the Co-ordinator of the School Programme must have a current Working With Children Check.

**OUTSIDE LOCKER** The outside equipment locker was found unlocked on Wednesday morning. Fortunately no equipment appeared to be missing or damaged. **Please** make sure that the locker is left securely padlocked every time it is used. We may not be so lucky again.

**WORLD CUP** Jim Nicholls left for Florida, USA on Monday to be part of the Australian team competing at the World Cup. He is currently ranked 37 in the world. Best wishes for a safe, enjoyable and successful trip Jim.