



Croquet Australia

Program for

16th National Golf Croquet Handicap Tournament

Handicap Singles and Doubles

Deniliquin Croquet Club

The Club is located in Charlotte Street at the Lawn Tennis Club courts, just past the Deniliquin Hospital.

2–6 November 2015

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Registration & Functions

1. Tournament headquarters is the Deniliquin Croquet Club (6 courts), where hard copies of this program will be available on registration. Location details are on the front of this program.
2. Registration will be at HQ from 2pm on Sunday 1 November.
3. The Welcoming Function/Barbeque is at 5pm on Sunday 1 November (\$15/person).
4. There will be a Melbourne Cup function at 2pm on Tues 3 Nov – play will be suspended from 1400 to 1530, and lunch available (\$15/person).
5. Tournament Dinner(s) will depend on demand – please indicate interest at Registration.

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2015 TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Tournament Manager	Lorraine Gutcher
Tournament Referee	Jim Clement
ACA Representative	Jim Saunders
Tournament Handicapper	Peter Freer
Results	Dot Murphy & Maureen Fitzmaurice

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Event 1: Handicap Doubles

Round robin in 1 block of 12 pairs, single 13 point games,
on Monday & Tuesday 2-3 November (No Finals or Plate).

Event 2: Handicap Singles

Two blocks of 8 or 9 players, each in a single round robin,
single 13 point games, on Wed & Thurs 4-5 Nov.

Top 4 from each block go into Quarter-Finals on Thurs afternoon, followed by
Semi-Finals & Final on Friday 6 Nov. All finals are best-of-3 game matches
Players not in the Quarter-Finals can enter a Plate event, which will be an Egyptian.

RESULTS

Results will be available on the croquetscores web-site progressively each day:

<https://croquetscores.com/2015/gc/aust-handicap-champs>

THANKS

Thank you to the members of the Deniliquin Croquet Club for preparing the courts,
organising the catering, and for all the other work required to run these events.
Thank you to all the participating referees.

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Conditions of Play

1. Events will be played under the WCF Golf Croquet Rules adopted by Croquet Australia, and the Australian Tournament Regulations (both available on the ACA website).
2. Players and referees are to wear neat and appropriate sporting attire and flat-soled shoes (ie shoes, the soles of which do not mark the court). Players choosing to wear sandals shall, as all players should, be conscious of surrounding play in order to ensure their own safety. A player presenting at the venue in unsuitable attire will be given the opportunity to dress appropriately or will not be permitted to participate in the event
3. Hoops are to be set as near as possible to 3 3/4 inches. To allow for inaccuracies in gauges, balls, hoops and setting techniques, a tolerance of $\pm 1/32$ inch is allowed. Players are asked to help set the hoops at the start of the day if necessary.
4. Hoops may be checked at any time on the request of the player in play. Any hoop out of specification will be reset, subject to the approval of any double-banked player on court who is about to use that hoop.
5. Dawson International balls will be used.
6. All games will be un-timed. However, the Tournament Manager may impose a time limit of an additional 15 minutes of play after a game has been in progress for at least 1 hour.
7. Courts **may** be available for practice up to 7.45am each day and after the completion of play for the day, subject to club requirements for dressing courts and maintenance. The Tournament/Venue Manager's approval should be sought for such practice and players assistance in preparing and clearing lawns will ensure that this practice can continue.
8. The Tournament Manager will allocate courts and games will be double banked as required.
9. A 5 minute warm up period will be permitted before a player's first game of the day.
10. Matches shall commence at **8.00 am** sharp unless otherwise indicated. Players are requested to be at their designated court before the scheduled starting time.
11. Players may be allowed a break of up to 10 minutes between matches and a lunch break of up to 30 minutes. The Tournament Manager will ensure games go on expeditiously to enable completion of the scheduled program. In best of three matches, games should be 'seamless' - players are expected to commence play in the second and third games immediately after the completion of the previous game.
12. It is mandatory for players to inform the Tournament Manager before they leave the venue for any reason.
13. The Tournament Manager will decide whether play in a match will continue in bad weather.
14. Players' attention is drawn to Rule 14 of the ACA *Rules of Golf Croquet*, Nov 2013 regarding Etiquette, which also covers expedition in play; and to ACA Tournament Regulation 12 concerning responsibilities of players.
15. Referees will officiate according to WCF Regulations as adopted by ACA. They will generally be in Charge. Where there are not sufficient referees present to be in charge of each game, referees will be Supervisory, in charge of several courts.
16. Players may refuse to play more than 6 games per day (actual games, not just rounds).
17. The Australian Handicapping System is in force for this Tournament. Players are to ensure that they have their ACA Handicap Cards with them to present to the Tournament Manager or her representative before each event commences. Handicap cards should be completed after each game. If players reach a trigger point their handicap changes immediately. Handicaps may be adjusted by the Tournament Handicapper during the events.
18. The Tournament Manager in consultation with the ACA Representative may make any alterations to the program, draw and other arrangements as are necessary in order to complete the tournament in the time available. If available, lights may be used at the Tournament Manager's discretion.
19. Should an overseas player win an event, any perpetual trophy shall remain in Australia in the custody of the ACA Administrative Officer. Winners of trophies are responsible for arranging the

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engraving of trophies at the ACA's expense, but must obtain a quote and obtain approval from the ACA Administrative Officer prior to having a trophy engraved.

20. An appeals committee comprising the Tournament Manager, the Tournament Referee and a member of the ACA Board (or nominated representative) shall determine any matters that are in dispute during the course of the tournament.

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Golf Croquet Handicap Doubles: 2-3 November

The Draw was done by the ACA Tournaments Committee, with help from the ACA GC Selection & Events Committees, using the ACA Seeding and Draw procedures. World Ranking and current handicaps were used for seeding purposes, but the actual draw was then randomised by the Tournament Manager. The format for the Handicap Doubles is as follows:

- a) Block play comprises a single block of 12 pairs. Each pair plays each of the other pairs in a single 13 point game on Monday & Tuesday 2-3 November. All games are at HQ and may be double banked.
- b) The winner will be the pair with the most games won after all block games. If two pairs are tied on games, they will play off in a single game final to decide the winner. If more than 2 pairs are tied on games, the pairs to play the final will be the 2 pairs with the best net points.
- c) There will be no Plate, since all players will play on both days (except during the Melb Cup).

			Combined H'cap
1.	John James (1) & Kyle Mula (4)	Vic/Vic	5
2.	Darren McLoughlin (0) & Jill Tainsh (6)	Vic/Vic	6
3.	Ross Rillie (2) & Helen Rillie (5)	Qld/Qld	7
4.	Peter Freer (0) & Kate McLoughlin (8)	NSW/NSW	8
5.	Doug Leabeater (2) & Joan McCalman (6)	NSW/Vic	8
6.	Jim Saunders (2) & Val Saunders (6)	Vic/Vic	8
7.	Trevor Peters (2) & Mavis Peters (8)	Vic/Vic	10
8.	Pat McGovern (5) & Gayle McGovern (5)	WA/WA	10
9.	Brad Fawns (5) & Kaye Moffat (6)	Vic/Vic	11
10.	Peter Moffat (4) & Colin Campbell (7)	Vic/Vic	11
11.	Allan Tonta (2) & Megan Tonta (9)	Vic/Vic	11
12.	Fred Littman (7) & Helen Moye (12)	Vic/Vic	19

- * The order of play is subject to a random draw which will be done on Sunday evening 1 Nov.
- * Rounds 1-6 will be played on Monday, and Rounds 7-11 on Tuesday.
- * The Melbourne Cup is on Tues afternoon, and play will stop for that. If all players are willing, Round 7 could be played on Monday to facilitate this, but only if all games in R7 are played – otherwise there is no point, since R8 then can't all start on Tues.
- * The court allocations will be allocated by the TM.
- * The above is subject to variation by the Tournament Manager.
- * There will not be a Final unless the top 2 pairs are tied on games
- * There will not be a Doubles Plate, since everyone will be playing on Tues.

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Golf Croquet Handicap Doubles: 4-6 November

The Draw was conducted by the ACA Tournaments Committee, with help from the ACA GC Selection & Events Committees, using the ACA Seeding and Draw procedures. World Ranking, and current handicaps were used for seeding purposes, but the actual draw was then randomised by the Tournament Manager. The format for the Handicap Singles is as follows:

- a) Block play comprises two blocks each of 8 or 9 players. Each player plays each of the other players in their block in a single 13 point game on Wednesday & Thursday 5-6 November. All games are at HQ and may be double banked.
- b) Block results will be based on games won, and then net points. If players are still tied, then which player beat the other in their block game. The top four players in each block proceed to the knockout phase of the event.
- c) All finals will be a best-of-three 13 point games. Quarter-finals will be on Thursday afternoon 5 Nov; Semi-finals on Friday morning 6 Nov; and the Final on Friday afternoon 6 November.
- d) Losing players in the Semi-finals will play each other for third & fourth place, in a single 13 point game on Friday afternoon 6 November.
- e) A plate will be conducted for players eliminated from the knock-out, as an Egyptian. Play as many (handicap) games as you wish on Thurs afternoon & Friday. You must play at least 3 games to qualify to win – winner will be player on most wins, then best percentage of wins, then who beat who in the Egyptian, then net hoops. This will be an open event, so referees, helpers, and others can also play in this event.

Singles Blocks – Wed & Thurs 4-5 Nov

Block A				Block B			
	Player		H'cap		Player		H'cap
1	Peter Freer	(NSW)	0		John James	(VIC)	1
2	Alan Tonta	(VIC)	2		Doug Leabeater	(NSW)	2
3	Kyle Mula	(VIC)	4		Ross Rillie	(QLD)	2
4	Helen Rillie	(QLD)	5		Brad Fawns	(VIC)	5
5	Bernie McAlary	(NSW)	5		Jill Tainsh	(VIC)	6
6	Val Saunders	(VIC)	6		Ellen Reed	(VIC)	7
7	Fred Littman	(VIC)	7		Colin Campbell	(VIC)	7
8	John Tainsh	(VIC)	8		Kate McLoughlin	(NSW)	8
9	June Hoge	(VIC)	9				

- * The order of play is subject to a random draw for each block, which will be done on Sunday evening 1 Nov.
- * Rounds 1-6 will be played on Wednesday, and Rounds 7-11 on Thursday.
- * These are not the court allocations, which will be allocated by the TM.
- * The above is subject to variation by the Tournament Manager.

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HANDICAP SINGLES

1997 – Shirley Grigg (VIC)	from	Brian Chinn (VIC)
2000 – Max Eyres (NSW)	from	Peter Tavender (NSW)
2001 – John Baldwin (VIC)	from	Betty Moore (VIC)
2002 – Tony Hall (ACT)	from	Margaret Bird (VIC)
2003 – Harley Dohnt (VIC)	from	Judy Beresford (VIC)
2004 – Jack Denson (VIC)	from	Harley Dohnt (VIC)
2005 – Tony Hall (NSW)	from	Verna Millis (VIC)
2006 – Harley Dohnt (VIC)	from	Tony Hall (NSW)
2007 – Jim Saunders (VIC)	from	Val Hanna (VIC)
2008 – Creina Dawson (SA)	from	Ian Grant (VIC)
2009 – Tony Hall (NSW)	from	Creina Dawson (SA)
2010 – Glenn Foley (WA)	from	Aurel Bican (WA)
2011 – Susan Bertram (QLD)	from	Vic Gleeson (NSW)
2012 – Lester Hughes (NSW)	from	Tony Hall (NSW)
2013 – Ross Rillie (QLD)	from	Lawrie Simpson (QLD)
2014 – Kyle Mula (VIC)	from	Peter Freer (NSW)

HANDICAP SINGLES PLATE

(donated by Eric & Anna Miller in 2011)

2011 – Mike Bertram (QLD)	from	Eric Miller (VIC)
2012 – Henry Burbury (TAS)	from	John Grieve (VIC)
2013	(not held)	
2014 – Lachlan Mula (VIC)	from	Ross Rillie (QLD) & Bill Munns (NSW)

HANDICAP DOUBLES

1997 – Tony Hall (NSW) & June Aisbett (VIC)	from	Peter Tavender (NSW) & Shirley Grigg (VIC)
2000 – Noela Bond & George Latham (VIC)	from	Brian Chinn & Ron Simpson (VIC)
2001 – Betty Moore & Vonda Hamilton (VIC)	from	Tony Hall (NSW) & Joan McCalman (VIC)
2002 – Ian Bassett & Lyn Creasey (VIC)	from	Ross Bayley & Anne Barnes (VIC)
2003 – Joan McCalman & Brian Elder (VIC)	from	Dorothy Dean & Judy Beresford (VIC)
2004 – Harley Dohnt & Bernie Bailey (VIC)	from	Jill Tainsh & Diedra Pianta (VIC)
2005 – Bernie McAlary & Bill Coull (NSW)	from	Max Huddle & Jenny Stuart (VIC)
2006 – Harley Dohnt & Joan McCalman (VIC)	from	Lyle Carey (VIC) & Max Wiltshire (NSW)
2007 – Tony Hall & Beryl McDonald (NSW)	from	Bill Howe & Isobelle Howe (NSW)
2008 – Tony Hall & Beryl McDonald (NSW)	from	Archie Betts & John Sykes (VIC)
2009 – David Wise & Philip Wise (SA)	from	Pam Kane & Rae Kay (VIC)
2010 – Clive Faulkner & Doug Fortescue (WA)	from	Peter Brown & Pat McGovern (WA)
2011 – Snow Evans & Mark Street (VIC)	from	Anne Quinn & Chas Quinn (VIC)
2012 – June Pongratz & Nick Twaits (TAS)	from	Graham Keating & Henry Burbury (TAS)
2013 – Peter Nicholson & Murray Tinker (QLD)	from	Geoff Jamieson & Lawrie Simpson (QLD)
2014 – Graham Innocent & Ray Vize (NSW)	from	John & Mary James (VIC)

HANDICAP DOUBLES PLATE

2012 – Deirdre Parker & Tim Parker (TAS)	from	Patsy Paine & Gina Kirkland (TAS)
2013 – Tony Hall (NSW) & Bob Teerink (QLD)	from	Graham Wemyss & Penny Jackson (QLD)
2014	(not held)	