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CHAMPIONSHIPS
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Melbourne 2016

PROGRAM

For the

Australian Gold & Silver Medals
Men's Singles Championship of Australia
Women's Singles Championship of Australia

Eire Cup (Interstate Cup Team Competition) of Australia

Annual General Meeting of the
Australian Croquet Association

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and in particular:
Williamstown Croquet Club



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Eire Cup	Brian Reither	0488 539 000

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AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION CROQUET CHAMPIONSHIPS – Melbourne 2016

PROGRAM

Australian Gold & Silver Medals – Wednesday 9 – Friday 11 March, VCC.

Australian Women's Singles Championship - Saturday 12 - Tuesday 15 March at VCC.
Plate venues to be determined in light of actual numbers playing in Plate. All Finals are at VCC.

Australian Men's Singles Championship - Saturday 14 - Tuesday 17 March at VCC & at Williamstown CC (2 courts). Plate venues to be determined in light of actual numbers playing in Plate. All Finals are at VCC.

Interstate Cup (Eire Cup) - Wednesday 16 to Sunday 20 March at VCC.

SCHEDULE

Registration

Singles will register at their venue for the first day's play on Saturday 12 March. Hard copies of this Program will be available.

Practice Sessions

Practice at VCC for the Singles will be from 1-5pm on Friday 11 March. Practice at Williamstown CC is not available. Practice outside this time (eg for Eire Cup teams) is by arrangement.

Eire Cup Teams Reception

An official welcome for the Eire Cup competition will be held at the VCC on Tuesday 15 March after a suitable interval from when play finishes in the Women's/Men's Finals (or at 6pm if this is earlier). This event is for invited guests - including all interstate team members, ACA and VCA officials. Personal invitations to team members have been sent direct.

Presentation Dinner

The Eire Cup Presentation Dinner will be at the Deer Park Club, 780 Ballarat Rd, Deer Park on Sunday 20 March, with drinks from 6:30pm for dinner at 7pm. This is for players and visitors who paid \$50 by 4 March.

Australian Croquet Association's Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held at 9am Monday 21 March, at the Best Western Airport Motel & Convention Centre, 3 Ardlie St, Attwood.

CONDITIONS OF PLAY Melbourne 2016

General

1. All events will be played under the Laws of Association Croquet, sixth edition amended 2008, as adopted by Croquet Australia; and the Australian Tournament Regulations, as amended on 12 February 2016, including the WCF Refereeing Regulations.
2. All competitors who have not already provided an address, phone number and/or email address at which messages can reach them during the events should provide this information during registration.
3. Tournament Headquarters for all events is the VCC.
4. Courts may be available for practice from 7:30am to 7.50am each day, when hoops may only be run in a controlled fashion, and after the completion of play for the day (at the discretion of Venue Managers).
5. Hoops are to be set as near as possible to 3 11/16 inches. To allow for inaccuracies in gauges, balls, hoops and setting techniques, a tolerance of $\pm 1/32$ inch is allowed. Law 53(b)(3) applies in this event.
6. Dawson International balls will be used.
7. Courts will be allocated by the Venue Manager and games will be double banked as required.
8. A 5 minute warm up period will be permitted before a player's first game of the day when hoops may only be run in a controlled fashion. This is subject to the tournament schedule.
9. Play shall commence at **8.00 am** sharp unless the Tournament Manager decides otherwise. Players are requested to be at their designated court before their scheduled starting time for each match.
10. Referees will be Referees on Request.
11. Players may be allowed a break of up to 10 minutes between matches and a lunch break of up to 30 minutes. No break is allowed between games of multiple game matches. The Tournament & Venue Managers will ensure games go on expeditiously to enable completion of the scheduled program.
12. It is mandatory for players to inform the Venue Manager should they wish to leave the venue for any reason.
13. Players will wear foot wear which will not mark the court and provides adequate protection for themselves both on and off the court; and neat, clean attire which the Tournament or Venue Manager judges will not cause significant offence to others. A player in unsuitable clothing or foot wear will be given the opportunity to dress appropriately or will not be permitted to participate in the event.
14. The Tournament/Venue Managers will decide whether play in any match should continue if the weather deteriorates.
15. The Tournament Manager in consultation with the Executive of Croquet Australia 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 or Venue Manager's discretion if required to achieve the schedule.
16. Special damage may be repaired in accordance with Law 34(c).
17. Players' attention is drawn to Law 49 regarding Expedition in Play.
18. The Australian Handicapping System is used for this Tournament. Players must ensure that they have their handicap cards with them and present them to the authorised person before the Open Singles. The Tournament Handicapper may amend a player's handicap before the commencement of play where there is a significant inconsistency between players of similar world ranking grade. Handicap changes take effect immediately after completion of any game in which players pass a trigger point (in accordance with the updated Handicapping Regulations published on the ACA Website on 14 February 2010).
19. 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.
20. Winners of trophies are to obtain a quote for engraving their details on the trophy and submit this to the Administrative Officer of Croquet Australia for approval before proceeding with engraving.
21. If an overseas player wins an event, any perpetual trophy shall remain in Australia in the ACA's custody.

AUSTRALIAN AC GOLD AND SILVER MEDAL
 PLAYED WEDNESDAY 9 MARCH – FRIDAY 11 MARCH 2016
 All games to be played at VCC, Cairnlea

In accordance with ACA Tournament Regulation 30:

- the draw is seeded by World Ranking at 1 March 2016
- the format is a double round robin of single games
- players will toss a coin to determine the choice of the lead or balls in terms of Law 8(a) for games in the first round
- for second round games between the same opponents, the loser of the toss in the first round game is deemed to have won the toss for the second round game.
- on Days 1 and 2 (Wednesday and Thursday) each player has 4 games, and on Day 3 (Friday) each player has 2 games, plus any play-off game(s) required.
- all games will be untimed, subject to ACA Regulation 16.3.1

BRONZE MEDALLIST	<i>Simon Hockey SA</i>	<i>Malcolm Fletcher VIC</i>	<i>Jeff Newcombe WA</i>	<i>Alan Walsh NSW</i>	<i>Callum Hyland TAS</i>	<i>Troy McCallum QLD</i>	Matches Won	Games Won	Points For	Net Points	PLACE
1 Simon Hockey											
2 Malcolm Fletcher											
3 Jeff Newcombe											
4 Alan Walsh											
5 Callum Hyland											
6 Troy McCallum											
Points Against											

Men's and Women's Singles

22. The draws were conducted by the ACA Tournament Committee in conjunction with the Events and AC Selection Committees using the ACA Seeding and Draw procedures and the World Ranking List at 1 March 2016.
23. The format is single life knockout, with all matches being best of three games unless otherwise specified. Based on the DGrades of the entrants, the Women's will be Bo3 throughout, the Men's semi and final will be Bo5 provided that all of day 3 and 4 are free for them respectively.
24. Players having a bye in the first round can have a 15 minute warm up with four balls before playing their first game (unless both players had byes in the first round, in which case a 5 minute warm up with 2 balls is permitted).
25. Each best of three shall have a cumulative time limit of 7.5 hours with individual game time limits of 2.75, 2.5 and 2.25 hours plus Reg.16.3.1. Each best of five shall have a cumulative time limit of 12 hours with individual game time limits of 2.75, 2.5, 2.25, 2.25 and 2.25 hours plus Reg. 16.3.1. Time not used in games shall be added to subsequent games. Players are responsible for their own time clocks.
26. If time is called in any game and play continues in terms of Regulation 16.3.1, the additional time to complete the game shall be excluded from the above-mentioned time limits.
27. No player shall be required to play more than 12 hours or 6 games in one day.
28. Alternative venues may be used if necessary.
29. Men's: First & second round losers proceed to the Plate. An XYWZ shall be played at the round of 16. Losers in the round of 16 play in the Y event. Losers in the first round of the Y play in the W event. Losers of the quarter-finals play in the Z event. Losers of X semi-finals play off for 3 – 4. Losers in YWZ semi-finals stop playing.
30. Women's: First round losers proceed to the Plate. An XYWZ shall be played at the round of 16. Losers in the round of 16 play in the Y event. Losers in the first round of the Y play in the W event. Losers of the quarter-finals play in the Z event. Losers of X semi-finals play off for 3 – 4. Losers in YWZ semi-finals stop playing.

Plate Events

31. Players who may enter the Plate events are as follows:
 - a. Men knocked out in round 1 or 2 of the main event
 - b. Women knocked out in Round 1 of the main event;
 - c. Players who entered the Plate only.
32. Depending on final numbers, the Plate events are likely to be Swiss, but this is at the discretion of the Tournament Manager. The alternative would be to split into equal blocks and play single game round robins followed by semi and final.
33. The Women's Plate will start at 9:30am on Sunday 13 March. The Men's Plate will start immediately that players (and courts) become available. However both timings are subject to change at the discretion of the Tournament Manager.

MENS DRAW of 64 : all matches best-of-3 but semi final & final = best-of-5 if time

	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Final
	day 1	day1	day 1-2	day 2-3	day 3	day 4
1	Robert Fletcher					
64	John Piggott					
33	Ken Wallman					Williamstown
32	John Arney					Cairnlea
17	Greg Whymark					
48	bye					
49	bye					
16	Stephen Richards					
9	Alan Sands					
56	bye					
41	bye					
24	Nick Chapman					
25	Troy McCallum					
40	bye					
57	bye					
8	Ken Bald					
5	Malcolm Fletcher					
60	bye	late				
37	bye	start 4				
28	Lindsay David					
21	Chris Grant					
44	Alistair Robertson					
53	Philip Bateman					
12	Trevor Bassett					
13	Ian Bassett					
52	bye					
45	bye					
20	Ken Edwards					
29	Kenn Boal					
36	bye	late				
61	bye	start 3				
4	Jim Nicholls					
3	Simon Hockey					
62	Bob Beattie					
35	Terry Hopkins					
30	Tony Hall					
19	Josh Wilson					
46	bye					
51	bye					
14	Eric Ayling					
11	Rod Kirk					
54	bye					
43	bye					
22	Alan Honey					
27	Don Close					
38	bye	late				
59	bye	start 2				
6	Kevin Beard					
7	Greg Fletcher					
58	bye	WV				
39	bye					
26	Mike Bertram					
23	Rob McAdam					
42	bye	WV				
55	bye					
10	Jeff Newcombe					
15	Callum Hyland					
50	bye	WV				
47	bye					
18	Peter Ross					
31	Ralph Allan					Williamstown
34	bye	WV				Cairnlea
63	bye					
2	Stephen Forster					

WOMENS DRAW of 32 pro forma all XYZW matches best of 3									
		Round 1	Round 2	Round 3 (QF)	Round 4 (SF)	Final			
		day 1	day 1-2	day 2	day 3	day 4			
	1	Alison Sharpe							
	32	Geraldine Trivett							
	17	Heather Knight							
	16	Mary Bishop							
	9	Megan Reynolds							
	24	Elaine Roones							
	25	bye							
	8	Anne Quinn							
	5	Kathleen Colcough							
	28	Nerida Taylor							
	21	Cynthia Tacey							
	12	Verginia Arney							
	13	Gail Hopkins							
	20	Mary Marsland							
late	29	Sally Harper							
start 1	4	Wendy Dixon							
	3	Elaine Coverdale							
	30	Coral Broun							
	19	Robyn Short							
	14	Kerri-Ann Organ							
	11	Fleur Brockway							
	22	Ann Rutten							
	27	Susan Bertram							
	6	Tricia Devlin							
	7	Sue Beattie							
	26	Patricia Watts							
	23	Barb Piggott							
	10	Rosemary Newsham							
	15	Willy Silk							
	18	bye	late						
	31	bye	start 5						
	2	Claire Bassett							

2016 EIRE (INTERSTATE) CUP TEAMS

This event is played as per ACA Tournament Regulation 28.

Games have a 3 hour time limit plus Reg.16.3.1

New South Wales

1 Peter Landrebe
2 Jim Nicholls
3 Alan Walsh
4 Alan Honey
Stephen Richards (Reserve)

1 Alison Sharpe
2 Claire Bassett (Capt)
3 Barb Piggott
4 Nerida Taylor
Pam Gentle (Reserve)

Victoria

1 Robert Fletcher
2 Stephen Forster (Capt)
3 Malcolm Fletcher
4 Rod Kirk

1 Elaine Coverdale
2 Wendy Dickson
3 Trish Devlin
4 Anne Quinn

Queensland

1 Greg Whymark
2 Don Close (Vice Capt)
3 Mike Bertram
4 Lindsay David
Troy McCallum (Reserve)
Ken Wallman (Manager)

1 Kathleen Colclough
2 Rosemary Newsham
3 Willy Silk (Capt)
4 Heather Knight
Cynthia Tacey (Reserve)

South Australia

1 Simon Hockey
2 Greg Fletcher
3 Dwayne McCormick (Capt)
4 Harley Watts (Vice Capt)
Edward Wilson (Reserve)

1 Leah O'Neill
2 Virginia Arney
3 Mary Bishop
4 Robyn Short
Di Helier (Reserve)

Western Australia

1 Jeff Newcombe
2 Alan Sands (Capt)
3 Eric Ayling
4 Peter Ross

1 Megan Reynolds (Vice Capt)
2 Fleur Brockway
3 Sandra Stevenson
4 Coral Broun

Tasmania

1 Callum Hyland (Capt)
2 Ian Bassett (Coach)
3 Rob McAdam
4 Bob Bye
Bob Beattie (Reserve)

1 Sue Beattie
2 Liz Bassett
3 Elaine Roomes
4 Elizabeth Brinsdon

INTERSTATE CUP DRAW

The draw is seeded from the results of the 2015 Interstate Cup as follows:

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|-----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. New South Wales | 2. Victoria | 3. South Australia |
| 4. Western Australia | 5. Queensland | 6. Tasmania |

DAILY TEAM MATCHES FOR INTERSTATE CUP

Day 1	3 v 5	1 v 6	2 v 4
Day 2	1 v 4	2 v 5	3 v 6
Day 3	4 v 6	2 v 3	1 v 5
Day 4	2 v 6	4 v 5	1 v 3
Day 5	1 v 2	3 v 4	5 v 6

Columns are not venue allocations, which will be determined by the Tournament Manager.

Australian Title Holders

Year	Eire Cup	Gold Medal	Men's Singles	Women's Singles
Note: English Silver Medal pre 2000/ Australian Gold Medal 2000 and later				
1950	NSW			
1951	NSW			
1952	SA			
1953	Vic			
1954	SA	Mr H Gunton Tas		
1955	SA	Mrs C G Tucker SA		
1956	SA	Mrs C G Tucker SA		
1957	Vic	Mr H Gunton Qld		
1958	Vic	Mr H Gunton Qld		
1959	Vic	Mrs G Leahey WA		
1960	Qld	Mr H Gunton Qld		
1961	Vic	Mrs F Baner Vic		
1962	SA	Mrs C G Tucker SA		
1963	Qld	Mrs J Muir WA		
1964	Vic	Mr T W Howat Vic		
1965	Vic	Mrs F Baner Vic		
1966	SA	Mr T W Howat Vic		
1967	Vic	Mr T W Howat Vic		
1968	Vic	Mrs S McDonald WA		
1969	SA	Mr J Magor SA		
1970	SA	Mr J Magor SA	Mr H Clemons Tas	Mrs S McDonald WA
1971	SA	Mr H S Clemons Tas	Mr G Maslen WA	Miss J Gehan SA
1972	SA	Mr J Magor SA	Mr G Maslen WA	Mrs S McDonald WA
1973	SA	Mr H J Read Tas	Mr B Chambers SA	Mrs G Edwards Vic
1974	SA	Mr B Chambers SA	Mr T W Howat Vic	Mrs V Crane Vic
1975	SA	Mr S Buck SA	Mr B Chambers SA	Mrs M Anderson SA
1976	SA	Mr N Spooner SA	Mr N Spooner SA	Mrs J Hurrell Qld
1977	SA	Mr T W Howat Vic	Mr B Chambers SA	Mrs L Bray Qld
1978	SA	Mr M Prater SA	Mr N Spooner SA	Mrs N R Dodd Vic
1979	NSW	Mr B Chambers SA	Mr J Chapman SA	Mrs C Spooner SA
1980	SA	Mr S Buck SA	Mr S Buck SA	Miss C Dawson SA
1981	SA	Mr P Olsen NSW	Mr R Sloane Vic	Mrs L Bray Qld
1982	SA	Mr P Olsen NSW	Mr S Buck SA	Miss C Dawson SA
1983	Vic	Mr R Harewood WA	Mr G Latham Vic	Mrs S McDonald WA
1984	Vic	Mr P Olsen NSW	Mr G Latham Vic	Miss C Dawson SA
1985	SA	Mr B Chambers NSW	Mr B Ford Qld	Mrs M Grieve Vic
1986	SA	Mr G Latham Vic	Mr R Jackson NZ	Mrs M Grieve Vic
1987	SA	Mr B Fleming Qld	Mr G Latham Vic	Mrs M Grieve Vic
1988	SA	Ms C Spooner SA	Mr G Latham Vic	Miss M Hadwin NZ
1989	WA	Mr A Cleland Vic	Mr K Boal Vic	Ms C Spooner SA
1990	Qld	Mr M Woodmansee Tas	Mr G Latham Vic	Mrs S Carr SA
1991	SA	Mr C Pickering SA	Mr M Kobelt NSW	Miss C Dawson SA
1992	Vic	Mr B Chambers NSW	Mr B Chambers NSW	Mrs H Thurston WA
1993	Vic	Mr B Fleming Qld	Mr B Northey NSW	Mrs S Carr SA
1994	Vic	Mr M Taylor Vic	Mr M Kobelt NSW	Miss C Dawson SA
1995	SA	Mr S Ketelaars Vic	Mr R Fulford UK	Mrs B Belz Qld
1996	SA	Mr J Newcombe WA	Mr C Pickering SA	Mrs H Thurston WA
1997	SA	Mr H Watts SA	Mr A Read Qld	Mrs S Carr SA
1998	SA	Mr B Fleming Qld	Mr H Watts SA	Ms S Porter Vic
1999	SA	Mr B Fleming Qld	Mr C Pickering SA	Mrs B Belz Qld
2000	SA	Mr T Bassett Vic	Mr D Anderson WA	Mrs H Thurston WA

Year	Eire Cup	Gold Medal	Men's Singles	Women's Singles
2001	SA	Mr M Clarke WA	Mr T Bassett Vic	Miss J Sutton Qld
2002	Vic	Mr I Dumergue WA	Mr D Anderson WA	Miss J Sutton Qld
2003	SA	Mr B Fleming Qld	Mr B Fleming Qld	Mrs H Thurston WA
2004	WA	Mr I Dumergue WA	Mr T Bassett Vic	Mrs H Thurston WA
2005	Vic	<i>not played</i>	Mr I Bassett Vic	Mrs H Thurston WA
2006	Qld	Mr P Ross WA	Mr P Landrebe NSW	Ms C Aberley NSW
2007	NSW	Mr S Forster Vic	Mr P Landrebe NSW	Mrs H Thurston WA
2008	Vic	Mr P Landrebe NSW	Mr B Fleming QLD	Mrs M Melville QLD
2009	Vic	Mr R Fletcher Vic	Mr S Forster Vic	Ms C Aberley NSW
2010	NSW	Mr P Chapman SA	Mr P Chapman SA	Ms M Morgan SA
2011	NSW	Mr S Forster Vic	Mr R Fletcher Vic	Ms T Devlin Vic
2012	NSW	Mr I Dumergue WA	Mr R Fletcher Vic	Ms A Sharpe NSW
2013	Vic	Mr R Fletcher Vic	Mr R Fletcher Vic	Ms A Verge NSW
2014	Vic	Mr S Hockey SA	Mr R Fletcher Vic	Ms A Verge NSW
2015	NSW	Mr S Hockey SA	Mr R Fletcher Vic	Ms A Sharpe NSW

A full list of winners of Australian national events can be found at:
http://croquet-australia.com.au/Results/History/Nationals_History.html

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION CROQUET CHAMPIONSHIPS

Results 2016

Australian Gold & Silver Medals

Winner	Gold Medal
Runner Up	Silver Medal

Men's Open Singles

Winner	\$300 + Perpetual Trophy
Runner Up	\$150
Third	\$100

Women's Open Singles

Winner	\$300 + Perpetual Trophy
Runner Up	\$150
Third	\$100

CLUB LOCATIONS AND CONTACTS

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