

## Australian Golf Croquet Open Singles

## Do you enjoy playing Golf Croquet in State Tournaments?

## Go National - Go on-line!

Each the annual Australian Golf Croquet Open Singles attracts players from across the country. Some of the faces are familiar but new ones are always welcomed. This it will be held at the Victorian Croquet Centre, Cairnlea; the largest croquet specific venue in the southern hemisphere with twelve courts.



2015 Winner, GC Open Singles John van der Touw being congratulated by Runner Up, Peter Freer

Play commences early on Wednesday at 11 May and concludes on Sunday 15 May. Last year's winner, John van der Touw will be in England with the Australian Golf Croquet Team competing in the World Championships...who will take the Tony Hall Cup in 2016?

If you would like to 'have a go' but are 'not quite sure' then enter the Plate – soak up the atmosphere, watch Australian's leading players as they get to the pointy end of the competition.

Now that you have made the decision to play, it is very easy to enter just go to the Croquet Australia website, click on Tournaments and click on GC Open Singles Entry Form. Encourage other members of your club to join you and share the experience.

If you would like more information and please contact Peter Freer, Chair of the Events Committee by email events@croquet-australia.com.au.

Please note that Atkins Quadway hoops will be used during this tournament.



## **Australian Golf Croquet - Open Singles**

Tournament Manager: Brian Reither
Tournament Referee: Jim Clement
Tournament Handicapper John Grieve
ACA Events Peter Freer

**Headquarters:** Victorian Croquet Centre **How to Enter:** via the ACA website at:

http://www.croquet-australia.com.au/tournaments

Closing Date for Entries: Thursday 21 April (midnight WA time)

**Entry Fees**: \$132 per player

If entering the Plate ONLY: \$66 per player

Full time students (under 25) and players aged under 21 at December 2016 are

entitled to 50% reduction of the above fees.

**Functions:** No formal functions have been arranged but there will be a presentation at the

conclusion of the final.

**Prizes:** The Winner receives \$1,000, a gold medal and the Tony Hall Cup; Runner Up

receives \$500 and a silver medal; Third Place \$300, and certificates for Fourth and

Winners of W, Z, Y and Plate.

**Draw:**To be conducted by the ACA Tournament Committee with help from Events and

GC Selection Committees using the ACA Seeding and Draw procedures. The

latest available world GC ranking list will be used for seeding purposes

**Registration:** From 2pm Tuesday 10 May or before play on Wednesday 11 May. You could time

your registration to coincide with the presentation after the Open Doubles as this will be the opportunity to wish the Golf Croquet Team representing Australia 'bon voyage' and 'bonne chance' as they leave Tullamarine Airport late that night for

England to represent Australia at the Tier 2 World Championship.

**Format:** Block play with single games then 16 players into knockout, or other format,

depending on entries. Finals matches will best of 3, 13 point games, except the final which will be best of 5 if time permits. Losers in the round of 16 play in the Y event. Qualifier Losers will play-off for 5-8<sup>th</sup> places and Semi-Final losers will play-

off for 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> place. All games will start without time-limits.

Pairs not making the finals proceed to the Plate which is designed to maximise the amount of play and will be conducted as large blocks or Swiss, with a single life knockout final. Players may enter direct without playing in the main event but an

entry form still needs to be completed.

**Catering:** Coffee & tea free; lunch & other food available for purchase.



www.croquet-australia.com.au